

EDDIE’S EDITORIAL

I came across a good article on the Wednesday night service. Give it some thought if you’re not accustomed to attending on Wednesday night.

The Wednesday night service is as inconvenient a habit that one can have. Some must rush home from work and that means a delay in supper. It plays havoc with sports schedules. For children it probably means a little later bedtime. And there are other drawbacks. The Wednesday service is no picnic to attend on a regular basis.

However, one blessing of the Wednesday night service is knowing you are in a place where you are absolutely welcome and others are glad you are present. When you leave you are usually better off than when you came. You have learned something and most likely shared a smile.

Then there is the spiritual nourishment. No one would think of going a couple of days without food and water. The body would not be able to function properly. The same is true of the soul. It needs spiritual food in order to remain strong. Such nourishment gives us strength to serve. To resist sin. To grow our faith in Jesus and His word. It’s not just “being here” that is important, but what we do here that is important.

The Wednesday night service gives us an opportunity to grow closer to God. In your daily routine do you receive such opportunities to grow closer to God? On Wednesday night there is the opportunity to learn hopefully one thing that will make a difference in the week to come. To learn something that can be shared with one who is outside the safety of Christ. Why not give Wednesday night some serious thought.

OUR RECORD	
Sunday Bible Study	84
Sunday Morning Worship	123
Sunday Evening Worship	64
Wednesday Night Bible Study	66
Contribution	\$10903

Prayer list:
ROBERT MCNEES is receiving rehab at Generations following a fall.
CYNTHIA MORTON will be having knee surgery Oct. 29.
DAVID COLBURN is not doing well at home.
SONNY MCLELLAN is home from the hospital.
PARKER HUMBER, relative to several in the area, is in critical condition in a Nashville hospital and requests our prayers.
ROY THOMAS, Brooks Thomas; brother, is in DCH Tuscaloosa.

Remember our shut-ins in your prayers: Robbie Collins, Lola M. Edwards, Jean McGee, Cynthia Morton, Don Rushing, Larry Rushing, Norma Stanford.

PRAYERS
A.M. Jason Burks
P.M. Randy Thomas
SONG LEADERS
A.M. – Curtis Heatherly
P.M. – Glen Bardon
WED – Malik Walker
Announcements – Jerry Merchant
Lord’s Supper & Contribution – John P. Robertson,. Bill Pennington, Mark Thomas, Saban Stephens
Ladies to prepare Lord’s Supper: Ashley Lucas
Security –10-19, Jerry Merchant, Jimmy Rogers
10-22 – John Windle, Lynn Pennington

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:
Oct. 19– Bible Bowl practice at 4:00.
Oct. 19 – Area Wide Youth Series at Vernon. Sign-up sheet on bulletin for food items.
Oct. 19-22 – Gospel Meeting at the Millport Church of Christ.
Oct. 26 – Baby shower for Caroline Hankins in fellowship room from 2:00-3:30.
Oct 26 – Hayride/cookout at the Finch’s after PM service. See bulletin for sign-up sheet for food items.

PILATE'S WASHBOWL

Have you ever wondered what happened to the washbowl Pilate used when he washed his hands of the whole matter involving Jesus (Matt. 27:24)? He left the matter up to the people as to what would become of Jesus. It wasn't an easy decision and that is why he passed it on to the people and not to himself.

So, what happened to Pilate's washbowl? It can be seen even today in the hands of some church members. They accept a responsibility for the Lord and then for some reason wash their hands of it. They find the responsibility is not easy. That it would take some time and effort. So, the easiest thing to do is just pass it on to someone else.

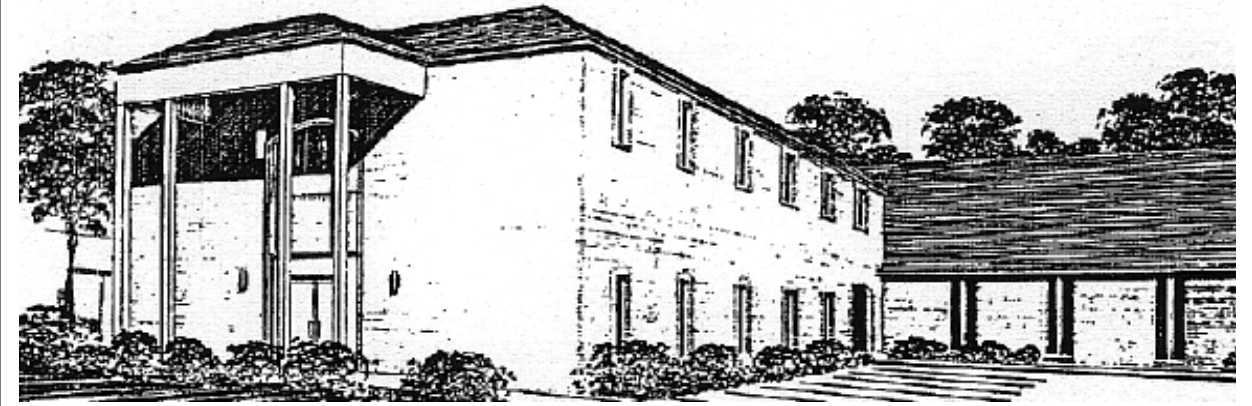
It showed up again when some members were enjoying the benefits it offered. The water was refreshing and good for cleansing but they never offered to refill the bowl with fresh water or clean the bowl when it became dirty. Pass that on to someone else too.

It's good to keep one's hands clean but at the same time work requires hands to sometimes become dirty. Am I willing to get my hands dirty when it comes to the work of the church? Am I willing to take on responsibilities and do my best in each area? If I am not willing, it may be that I have found Pilate's washbowl. He didn't want the responsibility and passed it on to others. Will we do the same?

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ELDERS

Glenn Butler
Allen Chandler
Burt Hankins
Kurt Hankins
Hugh Windle

DEACONS

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Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship
10:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Wednesday
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

"The churches of Christ salute you . . ." Romans 16:16