

February 11, 2021

### HOW MUCH DO YOU NEED?

Something that I have always been fascinated with are tiny homes. If you don't know what I am talking about, I would encourage you to take a moment on YouTube or wait for one of the many shows about tiny houses to come on HGTV. I have always been amazed at what all these people can do with such a small space. I have seen a man simply dig a 20 by 8 foot hole into a hill and make his own "Hobbit Hole". Another man lives in a 12 by 24 foot house he built in the Texas desert that runs on solar and wind energy. He has packed his entire life into a 288 square feet. I have even seen a family of 4 who had a two story house built on a 16 foot utility trailer.

What is most impressive about these people and their homes is the fact of how comfortable they live. If you have the proper attitude, it is easy to live a minimalist lifestyle. I have always dreamed of building my own tiny home. Maybe a small cabin in the woods next to a creek, but when I look around my house and realize that even my dogs have too much stuff to live comfortably in a tiny home, I begin to think that dream might never be true. Think about it for a second, how much "stuff" does a person really need?

Growing up and living in a materialistic society has convinced most of us that we need a whole bunch of stuff in order to survive when the real truth is you only need food, water, clothing, and maybe shelter. When I think about all the stuff I have in my life, I don't need but maybe 2% of it. It is scary when we sit back and realize how much materialism influences our lives, and as Christians we are supposed to imitate Christ. Jesus said in **Luke 9:58**, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head." Our own Savior didn't even possess a proper bed or home that He could call His own. But Jesus would refuse anything more than that anyway. In Matthew 4, when Satan is tempting Jesus we see our Saviors response to the temptation of materialism. **Matthew 4:8-10** says, "Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to Him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.'"

Jesus also taught us that we do not need to worry about what we will eat, drink, or wear. Instead we need to "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (**Matthew 6:33**). Jesus also tells us why we should not worry about those things because God will provide them to us. Our problem lies in the fact that we believe a person who only has the basics of life are the poorest of poor and we pity them because of this perceived poverty. Yet that's exactly the type of person that Jesus was and what He wanted His followers to be like. I am not saying that we need to go sell all we have and build a subdivision of tiny homes, although it would be a great way for us to grow closer, but we should examine how much value we put on the stuff we have.

Paul told Timothy in **1 Timothy 6:6-10** "But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs." Paul also says in **Philippians 4:11-13**, "Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me."

We need to learn how to be content in the state of living we find ourselves in right now. Instead of continually filling our lives with stuff to bring us momentary joy, we need to fill our hearts and lives with the eternal joy of the love of Christ, imitate His life in ours, and build up for ourselves treasures in Heaven. Next time you feel that you simply can't go on without that new phone, appliance, car, or house, sit back and ask yourself "How much do I really need to share the Gospel of Christ?" **Andrew Spivey**

**Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.**  
**1 Peter 4:8**

### COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES

Sunday Read – Genesis 9-10

Wednesday Read – Job 1

### BIBLE STUDY

Questions for last week's reading of Genesis 7 & 8:

1. Who was saved in the ark?
2. How long did it rain?
3. What did the raven do when Noah sent it from the ark?
4. How many times did Noah send out the dove and what did she do each time?
5. How did Noah worship God when he came out of the ark and what was God's promise?

### REMINDER

If there is a time that services will be cancelled, due to the virus or weather conditions this winter, you should receive a call from the Calling Post service to alert you to the closure. Please make a note of the phone number so you will know that the call is an announcement from the church. Calling Post's number is (405) 308-4474 and is from Oklahoma. A newsletter may be sent if there is enough time to get one out and you may check the Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/nashvilleroadchurchofchrist>

### LIVE STREAM SERVICE UPDATE

We have updated our live stream service. We hope that the update in video and sound quality make a difference to our many members who are worshipping at home during the pandemic. You can see our live stream at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Sundays on <https://www.facebook.com/nashvilleroadchurchofchrist> If you have any feedback on the live stream, feel free to leave a comment on the video, call the office, or call **Andrew Spivey** or **Jonathan Senn**. We are continually working to improve the live stream.

### SYMPATHY

Our Love and Sympathy to **Carolyn Vester** on the passing of her aunt, **Betty Coltharp** on Sunday, February 7th. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> in Old Hickory, TN

Our Love and Sympathy to **Debbie Robertson** on the passing of her cousin, **Tyron Dobbs**. There will be a memorial service at a later time.

### ORDER OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

February 14, 2021

### 9:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome.....Jim Cherry  
 Song Leader.....Ben Hutson  
 Opening Prayer.....Allyn Hosman  
 Sermon.....Andrew Spivey  
 Lord's Supper.....Tony Butler  
 Closing Prayer.....Carl Newby

### 11:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome.....Tim Strickland  
 Song Leader.....Jonathan Senn  
 Opening Prayer.....Brent Smith  
 Sermon.....Andrew Spivey  
 Lord's Supper.....Eric Stephenson  
 Closing Prayer.....Adam Williamson

### IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE CALL

Alex Sherrill.....615-289-9935  
 Church Office.....615-452-3431

**During this medical crisis, our financial obligations to mission work and etc... continues. If you are unable to attend services, please consider mailing your contribution check to the church office at: 1883 Nashville Pike Gallatin TN 37066 Thank you. The Elders**

**Members of Nashville Road, we have individual communion available. Please call the office or Tim Strickland, 615-336-6039.**

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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sun. Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. & Sun. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
 All other services postponed at this time

### SICK LIST

Mae Oldham is now home. Marilee Frederick is in Vanco Manor on Dickerson Pike for rehab. Buck Buchanan has returned to Life Care Center. Ty Tyler, son of Ann Tyler is in ICU at Centennial. Grace Bracey is having significant health issues. Ricky Cantrell has been diagnosed with melanoma. Ronnie Love, cousin of Pam Newby, has been diagnosed with cancer. Barry Carter, husband to Tracy and son to Mattie Carter, is home recovering from open heart surgery. Brenda Jackson, friend of June Thompson, has been diagnosed with covid & is getting antibody infusions. Jerry Ladd, Sr has been diagnosed with CLL Leukemia. Steven Burgess, step-son of Pauletta Hood, is recovering at home from injuries from a car accident. Cora Mayes-Barron, daughter of Barry & Rachel Mayes has completed her chemotherapy and has been found to be cancer free. Craig Sweeney, son of James & Doris Sweeney, has been accepted into a new drug trial clinic. John Arnold, father of Brenda Veale is homebound and dealing with serious health issues.



### PRAYER LIST

Gerald Miles, The Waters of Gallatin, 555 E. Bledsoe Drive, Room 213; Jim Sweeney; Jan Fulford; J.H & Frances Catron; Melba Hill; William Dunn; Jean Deaton; Ron & Anna Radish; Chase Ditmore, grandson of Jim & Linda Cherry; Phil Johnston father-in-law of Josh Johnson; Ricky Cross, friend of Betty Buttrely; Donna Holmes, daughter of Eva Petty; Ida Lou Sherrill, mother of Alex Sherrill; Will Flowers, brother-in-law of Grace Bracey. Dana Loveless, friend of Jim & Linda Cherry; Danny Lowe cousin of Linda Cherry; Lawrence Redding, son-in-law of Betty Melcher; Taylor Lackford, niece of Brenda Veale; Dustin Lackford, nephew of Brenda Veale; Janice Haskins, sister of Jim Cherry; Larry Conley, friend of Wanda Proctor; Wayne Holt, nephew of Grace Bracey; John Gregory, brother of Bob Gregory; Pam Flory, friend of Sherry Sever; Harold Cole, friend of Lena Baggett; Bobbie Carter, sister of Janice Johnson; Betty Billingsley, sister of Wanda Proctor; Walter Wooten, brother of Wanda Sherrill.

### SHUT-INS

Ilene Kinney; Jane Hughes, 126 Seabury Dr., Greenville, SC 29615; Bill & Jane Dunn; Cathy Henderson; Penny Campbell, The Village of Bellevue, Room 417, 8118 B Sawyer Brown Road, Nashville, TN 37221; Dorothy Sullivan, Front Porch Senior Living 115 Sunset Pl. Portland TN, 37148.

We depend on families and friends to help us update this list.  
 Please notify us of any changes

### OUR RECORD THIS WEEK

Bible Study.....	N/A
Morning Worship 9a.m.....	50
Morning Worship 11a.m. ....	64
Sunday Evening.....	N/A
Wednesday Evening.....	N/A
Contributions.....	\$6,811.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$9,064.89

### Elders

Tony Butler.....	615-452-0560
Jim Cherry.....	615-479-2149
David Johnson.....	615-300-9084
Alex Sherrill.....	615-289-9935
David Thompson.....	615-598-6621
Jerry Watson.....	615-461-8137

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Carl Newby Brent Smith  
 Ken Veale Adam Williamson



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