

May 6, 2021

FAMILY INHERITANCE

As Taylor and I continue to prepare for the arrival of our little one, I have been having so much fun getting to go through old family heirlooms. Getting to see things like old, hand sewn baby blankets, antique swan rockers, old sleeping gowns, and even some of my old favorite books and toys. What’s interesting about these items, is that to you they don’t mean the same. To you, they might even be considered junk. Why? Because they are small in earthly value but they are rich in family history. Family heritage can take inheritance that to the world would be worthless and make it priceless for an individual. A simple dirty stuffed dog becomes a Rick or Francine, and all the money in the world would not let you part with such an item. To the world it is junk, but to us it is treasure.

As Christians, we know that Christ is currently preparing a place for us. Jesus said in **John 14:2** “In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?” Now we aren’t told what it is exactly supposed to look like, but I know I don’t want to miss out. The psalmist wrote in **Psalm 16:6** “The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.” There is no earthy treasure or inheritance that can compete or compare to the beauty that awaits us. But it is important that we have the proper perspective of what makes our inheritance so important.

You know, when we begin thinking of a place being prepared for us, it is easy for us to daydream about what it will be like. It’s very similar to how we do on earth, where we build this giant dream house in our mind and talk about how one day we are going to build that and it is going to be the best house ever. However, that house in your mind lacks something that keeps it from being built. That house isn’t a home. It doesn’t have the relationships and love that comes from the walls of a home. It is the same reason a family heirloom is worthless to those outside the family. So what is the heirloom of heaven to us? What is our inheritance? If you think it is the room being prepared for you, then you got it all wrong. Jesus went on to say in **John 14:3** “And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.”

Our inheritance is Christ’s very presence. When we reach heaven, we will never have to long for Him

again. He will forever be by our side and in our sight. The psalmist continues in **Psalm 16:8-9**, “I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.” He declared that there is fullness of joy when it comes to being in God’s presence. The temporary happiness that we fight for here on earth will not compare to the perfect joy found in His presence. His joy is full and abundant. It is the perfect inheritance after a lifetime of following Him. One day, if we continue to remain faithful to Christ, we will stand in His presence, and whatever He has prepared for us will be much more than enough. Why? Because it is made with love.

Paul said in **1 Corinthians 13:8** that “Love never fails.” Then in **1 Corinthians 13:13** he writes, “And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.” This verse alone explains what makes heaven so wonderful. In heaven we will replace our faith with fact. We will no longer have to hope for heaven, because it will be our reality. But, love will still remain. The same love that Jesus had for us on the cross will be there for us. It is a kind of love that the world can never give (**1 John 2:15-18**).

And, to the world, this heavenly inheritance seems worthless. But personally, I can’t wait to receive it. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. (**Romans 8:24-25**)

Andrew Spivey

SYMPATHY

Our Love and Sympathy to Frances Catron, Bernice Hall, Jean Law, Kenneth Smith and Mary Ann Reinhart, on the passing of their sister **Wilene Wingfield**. Funeral service was held on May 4th in Gallatin.

Our Love and Sympathy to the family of **David Collins** a member at Hartsville Pike. He was also a former HPCC Youth camp director and a teacher at Union Elementary. David passed away on May 3rd. Funeral service was held on May 7th in Gallatin.

Our Love and Sympathy to the family of **Peyton Stieger**, a friend of Carl and Pam Newby, who passed away last week. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES

Sunday Read – Joshua 1
Wednesday Read – Joshua 2

BIBLE STUDY



- Questions for last week's reading of Exodus 19 & 20.
1. What did the Israelites say when Moses told them what the Lord commanded?
 2. How did God come to meet the Israelites on Mount Sinai?
 3. Name the ten commandments.
 4. What should be our attitude toward God?

NURSERY UPSTAIRS

The Nursery is now available upstairs during worship services. It will not be attended at this time, so parents must remain with their children. There is an audio feed to the nursery.

GRADUATION BULLETIN

We will have our annual Graduation Bulletin this year. If you have someone in high school or college that will graduate during 2021, please submit their name, school they attended, some accomplishments they may have achieved while in school and future plans (college they may attend or work plans) along with a picture of the graduate. If you are submitting a grandchild, please also include the parents name. Please email this information to: secnashroad@comcast.net, or send by postal mail to the office at 1883 Nashville Pike, Gallatin by **May 23rd** to be included in this year's Graduation Bulletin.

NEW MEMBERS

Archie & Karen Wallace let it be known they wished to place their membership and work under the direction of the elders here at Nashville Road. They live at 1094 Cavaletti Circle East, Gallatin, TN and will be in Zone #2. Please be sure to meet them.



Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.
Matthew 22:37

ORDER OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

May 9, 2021

9:00 AM

BIBLE STUDY

(Classes for Nursery – High School upstairs)
Song.....Kenneth Smith
Opening Prayer.....Jerry Watson
Auditorium Lesson.....Andrew Spivey

10:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome.....Charlie Seals
Song Leader.....Kenneth Smith
Opening Prayer.....Eric Stephenson
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....David Thompson
Closing Prayer.....Jim Huffman
Ushers.....L. Clark/C. Suddarth

5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome.....Charlie Seals
Song Leader.....Kenneth Smith
Opening Prayer.....Jonathan Senn
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....Tim Cummins
Closing Prayer.....Brent Smith

WEDNESDAY

May 12, 2021

7:00 PM

Welcome.....Charlie Seals
Song Leader.....Kenneth Smith
Opening Prayer.....Tim Strickland
Lesson.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Carl Newby
Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Sue Kloes

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. - Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

SICK LIST

Sylvia Williams is home now and doing some better. Tammy Johnson, daughter of JoAnn Williamson, is recovering from surgery at St. Thomas Midtown. James Spivey is home now recovering from heart surgery. Please No visitors. Faye Hart continues in-hospital therapy at Skyline after back surgery. Jan Fulford, condition has slightly improved. Bill Johnson will have pacemaker surgery at a later date. Mae Oldham is home and doing well. Ty Tyler, son of Ann Tyler is home doing some better. Ron Kloes step son of Sue Kloes has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. Allen Plunk, cousin of Donna Jennings, colon cancer that has spread to his liver. Ricky Cantrell has been diagnosed with melanoma. Ronnie Love, cousin of Pam Newby, has been diagnosed with cancer. Donny Pedigo, friend of Tim Cummins has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Jerry Ladd, Sr. has been diagnosed with CLL Leukemia. 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

Maxine Cothron; 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; Ricky Cross, friend of Betty Buttrey; Ida Lou Sherrill, mother of Alex Sherrill; Will Flowers, brother-in-law of Grace Bracey; 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; Marilee Frederick, Gallatin Rehab, Room 305A; Jane Hughes, 126 Seabury Dr., Greenville, SC 29615; 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.....	113
Morning Worship.....	143
Sunday Evening.....	78
Wednesday Evening.....	65
Contributions.....	\$8,343.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$6,322.96

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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