

We Hold These Truths

The Holy Spirit Is Our Partner

(Gal. 3:3; John 14-16)

- I. **We need the Spirit's** _____.
- A. He continues Jesus' _____ ministry. (John 14:16)
- B. He _____ the followers of Jesus. (Ezek. 36:26, 27; John 7:38; John 14:16-23; Acts 2:38; I Cor. 6:19; Rom. 8:9)
- II. **We need the Spirit for** _____.
- A. He gave us God's _____. (John 14:25-26; 16:13; II Pet. 1:20,21)
- B. He seeks to _____ us. (John 16:8ff; Acts 16:6-8)
- III. **We need the Spirit in** _____. (Rom. 8:26,27)
- IV. **We need the Spirit for** _____. (Gal. 3:3; Eph. 3:16; Rom. 7-8; Gal. 5:22-25; Eph. 5:17-18)

Our struggle: Romans 7:14ff

God's answer:

1. Rom. 7:24-25 - Jesus' _____ to free us.
 2. Rom. 8 - Jesus' _____ to empower us. (Acts 2:38)
- *Jesus' Spirit gives us power for _____ right. (Rom. 8:9-14)
- *The Spirit's ultimate goal: To make us _____.

Am I self-empowered and _____, or

Spirit-empowered and _____ like _____?

Welcome to Bethlehem Church of Christ

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"If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you."

— John 14:15-18

April 15, 2018

Order of Worship

Welcome & opening challenge

(Please pass the blue books located at the end of each pew.)

Holy Spirit

Blessed Assurance 442

In the Garden 606

The Wonderful Cross



All disciples of Jesus are invited to partake as the emblems are passed.

Offering to God - Guests are welcome to participate, or may simply place the visitor card in the plate.

Recognition of volunteers

Encouragement time

Message Tom Claibourne

None But Jesus

Decisions

Reminders & prayer

Bethlehem News

Also Today

- 2:00 - BCC will lead the music at the Veterans Home Worship Service.
6:00 - 1. Prayer & praise in the auditorium
2. "Women 2 Women"
6:15 - 1. Youth groups
2. "Lord Teach Us to Pray" Series

This Week

- Wednesday - "The Armor of God" - Women's Bible Study, 6:30 pm.
Friday - Sunday - Celtic Christianity Seminar; Peebles Church of Christ. (see the events board for more information).
(Note: "Boys Night" has been postponed for now).

Mark Your Calendar

- April 22 - "ENCOUNTER JESUS", 5 - 8 pm at the Sardinia CC for high school & middle school students.
May 5 - Community Service Day.
May 6 - CMF presentation at BCC, 9:30 am.
May 18,19 - Butler Springs Women's Spring Retreat (preferred registration by May 1, forms in the foyer)
May 20 - 1. Graduation Sunday
2. Butler Springs Camp Open House, 2 - 4 pm.
June 4 - 7 - VBS

Helping the Mission School

Thanks to all who donated needed items for Grundy Mountain Mission School following their fire. On very short notice, others also gave money (\$265 total) to help.

Our gifts have already been taken to Virginia!

Spring Clean-Up

We are taking a different approach this year in completing the more than 70 jobs on our work lists.

Team leaders will be chosen and asked to oversee 5 to 7 jobs. They will then recruit volunteers to assist them. Be prepared to say "yes" when asked.

We hope to complete the talks between April 18 & May 12. Thanks in advance for your partnership!

Ministry Search

We have spread the word widely regarding our open ministry position, contacting four Christian colleges, numerous preachers, and some congregations.

As resumes come in (two so far) we check references and review the information. Those who seem like good candidates are sent an extensive survey to fill out.

Please join us in praying for the right person with a servant's heart to be led to us.

Questions & Decisions

Do you have questions about Jesus, your relationship with Him, salvation, baptism, or other important matters? Our minister or elders would be happy to discuss these at your convenience.

Simply let one of us know after our services and we will arrange a time, or even talk right then. Just don't wait too long!

Partner to Help Youth

Please continue to bring in bottles of assorted fruit juices to help stock the kitchen at our wonderful church camp. We have been asked to supply 75 bottles. Put them in one of the boxes in the foyer.

BCC Free Store

There are still a few free books and CD's available in the foyer.

Join Us in Praying

- ✠ Praise God for being an eternally faithful Lord.
- ✠ Thank God for His amazing promises.
- ✠ Thank God for the gift of His Holy Spirit to guide & empower us.
- ✠ Pray for our important search for another staff member.
- ✠ April Mission: East Tennessee Christian Home & Academy.
- ✠ Jessica Cornette - zero cancer cells found in the lymph nodes removed; no chemo necessary!
- ✠ Sandy Manning - appointment this week to discuss surgery possibility.
- ✠ Mr. Bates - surgery soon to repair a blocked stent; Mary Hale's father.
- ✠ Ken Schrock - finally had extensive surgery Thursday.
- ✠ Joe Strunk - Colon cancer surgery April 27; Mt. Orab Church of Christ minister.
- ✠ Family of Lee Huntsman - passed away Wednesday; father of Tricyn Parker.
- ✠ Continued prayer: Peggy Anderson, Linda Cantrell, Zoie Centers, Jack Downs, Frank & Pat Gelter, Harry & Delores Hobson, Margy Hoff, Sigrid Johnson, Arelta Light, Brett Logan, Nikki Lung, Gordon Schrichten, Kevin Stapleton, Curt Steelman, Bill Tumbleson, Bobbi Utterback.
- ✠ Thank you for periodically reviewing the continued prayer list and contacting the office with updates.
- ✠ Other:

We apologize to Grace Fraley, her birthday on the 12th was inadvertently left off the April calendar. Happy belated birthday Grace.

Cleaning Teams: Wells Family/Kevin & Doris Woollard/Debbie Forsythe & Debbie & Morgan Edmisten

Nursery (22) Coordinator: Melissa Brown
9:30 - Melanie Ohnewehr
10:30 - Melissa & David Brown