

## We Hold These Truths

### Action is the Evidence of Our Faith — James 2:14-26

- I. \_\_\_\_\_ faith is useless. (2:14-17)
- A. A \_\_\_\_\_ claim. (14)
- B. Stronger \_\_\_\_\_. (15-16; Lk. 10:25ff; I Jn. 3:17-18)
- C. A \_\_\_\_\_ conclusion. (17; Tit. 1:16)
- II. \_\_\_\_\_ faith is inadequate. (2:18-19)
- A. Demons \_\_\_\_\_ in God. (19; Mk. 3:11, 5:6-7)
- B. Demons are \_\_\_\_\_ . (Mt. 25:41)
- III. \_\_\_\_\_ faith is what God desires. (2:20-26)
- A. It is focused on the \_\_\_\_\_ object or person. (1:18, 21, 25; 2:12, 23; Rom. 1:17)
- B. It involves the \_\_\_\_\_ person.
- C. It leads to \_\_\_\_\_.
1. \_\_\_\_\_ (2:20-24; Gen. 15 & 22; Heb. 11; Rom. 4)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (2:25; Josh. 2 & 6; Heb. 11)

II Cor. 13:5

“Don’t be the kind of person who must be explained.” - Ethel Barrett

What will your \_\_\_\_\_ ?

## Welcome to *Bethlehem Church of Christ*

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*“Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves.”*

— II Corinthians 13:5a

April 8, 2018

## Order of Worship

Welcome & opening challenge

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

*Glory to God Forever*

*I Will Follow*

Encouragement time

*Christ Be All Around Me*

*Oh, How He Loves You & Me* 223



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.

Prayer for April marriages

Message Tom Claibourne

*Trust & Obey* 437

Decisions

Reminders & prayer

## Bethlehem News

### Also Today

- 12:00 - Brief Brazil trip meeting in library  
6:00 - 1. Prayer & praise in the auditorium  
2. "Women 2 Women"  
6:15 - 1. Youth groups  
2. "Lord Teach Us to Pray" Series  
7:15 - Adult choir practice

### This Week

- Wed. - 1. Seniors lunch, noon  
2. "The Armor of God" - Women's Bible Study, 6:30 pm.  
3. Elders meeting, 7:00 pm  
4. Shepherding prayer mtg., 8:00 pm  
Sat. - 1. Celebration of Life Service for Tammy Huston, 11:00 am.  
10:00 - time to visit with the family.  
12:00 - meal for the family.  
2. Self-Defense Seminar for women & girls, 4:00 pm., in the gym. More information and sign up sheets in the foyer. Cost: \$10 per person

### Very Special Day

Wasn't it great to see several first-time guests last Sunday, and others returning we hadn't seen in a while? At least 307 of us worshiped together (our highest attendance in 4 years).

We keep hearing great appreciation and praise for the service. A huge thank you to Brandi Michael for directing the drama, to Melana Reid for assisting, and to all the actors. Deb Forsythe did a great job putting the service together.

### Missionary Card

Thank you for sending your love by signing the card in the foyer.

## Boys Night

April 20, 7 pm

This will be a special night of fun and varied activities for all men and boys in our gym.

Begin signing up in the foyer so we can estimate attendance and make plans.

### 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. Please see one of the deacons if you can serve as a team captain or as a volunteer worker.

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

### 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

We will partner with other congregations 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

Free books and CD's are available in the foyer today.

### Welcome !

To Laura Bloom who officially united her life with our congregation on March 25. She, Jonathan, Sarah, & Joshua live in West Union.

## Join Us in Praying

- ✠ Praise God for being an eternally faithful Lord.
- ✠ Thank God for His amazing promises.
- ✠ Pray for the courage to live your faith.
- ✠ Pray for our important search for another staff member.
- ✠ April Mission: East Tennessee Christian Home & Academy.
- ✠ Jessica Cornette - recovering at Christ Hosp. following Friday's surgery.
- ✠ Sandy Manning - more tests; surgery may be an option.
- ✠ Peggy Anderson - in Mercy Anderson for several days with blood pressure issues; heart tests revealed no problems there; Linda Wells' mother.
- ✠ Lee Huntsman - some improvement; has begun eating; still under Hospice care.
- ✠ Linda Cantrell - now at Anderson Acute Rehab.
- ✠ Ken Schrock - recovering from Monday's stroke; partial restoration of hearing and sight; had stent put in Thursday; friend of Brenda Young.
- ✠ Continued prayer: Zoie Centers, Belinda Dick, Jack Downs, Frank & Pat Gelter, Gracie Graham, Harry & Delores Hobson, Margy Hoff, Ken Holtzclaw, Nancy Hughes, Heather Huston, Sigrid Johnson, Arelta Light, Brett Logan, Nikki Lung, Donnie Morrison, Geraldine Naylor, Gordon Schrichten, Dave Souder, Kevin Stapleton, Curt Steelman, Bill Tumbleson, Bobbi Utterback, Chris Young.
- ✠ Other:

**Cleaning Teams:** Bihl Family/Floyd & Anne Morris & Lisa Berry/Claibourne Family

**Nursery** (15) Coordinator: Kristen Souder  
9:30 - Connie Scott  
10:30 - Angela Rothwell & Jessica Huston