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April 14, 2013

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## Contending for the Faith

### ELDERS

Carl Burrus  
 Jesse Byers  
 Bobby Hill  
 Bill Path

### EVANGELIST

Benjamin Williams

### PRISON MINISTER

Bill Hamrick

### DEACONS

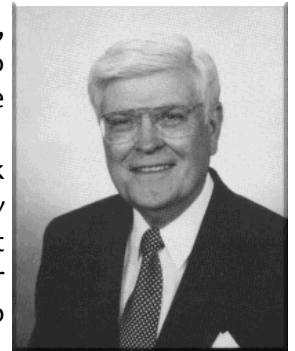
Matt Caldwell  
 Robert Hill  
 Keith Riggs  
 Bruce Rothell

### SECRETARY

Karen Brown

We read of the suffering of the church in the book of Acts, and it seems to us as a remote and distant story. We are so sheltered from the dangers faced by the early church. Do we still know what it means to “contend for the faith”?

In the summer of 1998, a church sent a letter to Mack Lyon, the long time speaker on the *In Search of the Lord’s Way* television program. They had decided to discontinue support for the work because they no longer believed that brother Lyon was doing enough to defend the truth. He responded to them with the following:



“Your letter comes as a disappointment to me. You say you pray I will earnestly contend for the faith as in Jude 3. I doubt you know what that really means. As a teenager, I was ordered to leave home if I was going to preach what I preach. I made the choice, I walked out on that cold rainy night and never had a family thereafter. I have been literally beaten in the streets and dragged into a court on a charge of brawling. (I never struck a blow. The good elders of that church stood by me and paid my fine.) I have been physically attacked in the auditorium of the church building while standing up to a liberal preacher and while the faithful (?) men stood by and watched, the women came to my rescue. More than just once I have been humiliated beyond my ability to describe on the campuses of colleges and universities while contending for the faith against the liberals, while preachers and elders like you sit in the comfort of your home and at a distance in your sweet sanctified purity offer not a word of encouragement, but renunciations. No, you don’t know the first meanings of the words ‘contend for the faith.’ No, I don’t feel sorry for myself or consider myself a martyr. I count it a joy to be worthy to stand up for my Savior who went to the cross for me. And I plan to keep on doing it as long as the Lord considers me faithful.”

I was once given a copy of that letter and I have kept it ever since that time. It is a reminder of the true calling of Christianity and our tendency to dodge it. I do not wish to elevate brother Lyon to an unwarranted, superhuman status, but I think we can safely admire his commitment to the gospel and the faith. As you read the book of Acts, consider the true spirit of Christianity. Reflect on what it means to be “faithful unto death” and to be a people committed to preaching the gospel of Jesus the Christ.

### SUNDAY

Bible Classes for All Ages 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship Assembly 10:30 am  
 Evening Worship Assembly 5:00 pm

### WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes for All Ages 7:00 pm

by Benjamin J. Williams

From: Jerusalem Management Consultants

To: Jesus, Son Joseph - Nazareth

Thank you for submitting the resumes of the twelve men you have picked for leading positions in your new organization.

It is the staff's opinion that most of the nominees are lacking in background, education, and vocational aptitude for the type of enterprise you are undertaking.

Simon Peter is emotionally unstable and given to fits of temper. Andrew has absolutely no qualities of leadership. The two brothers, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, place personal interest above company loyalty. Thomas demonstrates a questioning attitude that would tend to undermine morale. We feel that it is our duty to tell you that Matthew has been blacklisted by the Greater Jerusalem Better Business Bureau.

One of the candidates, however, shows great potential. He is a man of ability and resourcefulness, meets people well, has a keen business mind and has contacts in high places. He is highly motivated, ambitious and responsible. We recommend Judas Iscariot as your comptroller and right-hand man.

We wish you every success in your new venture.

Sincerely yours

Jordan Management Consultants

*“The Jewish leaders saw that Peter and John were not afraid to speak, and they understood that these men had no special training or education. So they were amazed. Then they realized that Peter and John had been with Jesus.” Acts 4:13)*

**Sunday, April 14th**

Elder's and Deacon's meeting at 3:30

**Monday, April 15th**

Ladies Salad Supper, 6 pm at Susan Yeager's home

**Sunday, April 28th**

Fellowship Meal - group Byers; also a Wedding Shower at 3:30

**Sunday, May 12th**

Mother's Day

**Sunday, May 19th**

Wedding shower for April Rothell

**Sunday, May 26th**

Fellowship Meal to celebrate with the graduates - group Hill

**Sunday, June 2nd**

Ladies meeting 3:30 pm

**Sunday—Saturday, June 9th-15th**

Frog Road camp session

**Sunday, June 16th**

Father's Day

**Wednesday - Friday, July 24th-26th**

Vacation Bible School - "Daniel"

**upcoming**  
work dinners  
**events** fellowship  
retreats picnics games parties meetings

## IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Our sympathy goes out to Doris Edelman and her family in the passing of her daughter, Rosie Edelman. Her services were this past Friday.
- Leasa Mulkey's mother, Sue Gilbert, was taken to St Johns hospital with numerous blood clots in her lungs. They think she is developing pneumonia and are running tests.
- Rita Risley had an out patient procedure this past Friday; we hope all is well.
- **Our friends and family:** Dan & Edna Jones; Shelia Byers (cancer); Suzanne Stamps; Leola Harmon (stroke); Rob Swaim (head injury); many others.
- **Service men and women:** Brian and Amber Hunt.

## FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Our next Fellowship Meal will be Sunday April 28th after the evening service. Group Byers is responsible for setting up and cleaning up.

## WELCOME

We are glad to report that the Edwards family decided to place membership with us. Be sure to meet Ryan, Darla, Jenna and Hannah. Welcome to the Lord's church in Glenpool!

## SPORTS EQUIPMENT

Do you have gently used sports equipment? Stuff your kids left behind years ago that isn't getting used? Frog Road Camp is looking for gently used basketballs, softballs and softball equipment, and other items to be donated for this summer. If you have any of these items, you can bring them to the building to the box available in the Fellowship Room. See Matt Caldwell with any questions.

## CAMPERS

Camp applications are available in the foyer for those who are interested (must be returned by May 13th!). Faith Week is June 9th-15th.



## YOUTH

**Peyton McCafferty** knows the names of the 5 Acts of Worship. Good work Peyton!

## LADIES SALAD SUPPER

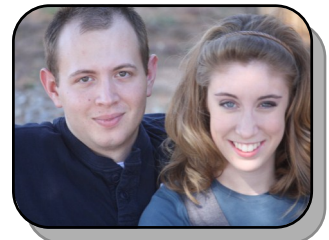
Selene Williams will be hosting a Ladies Salad Supper on Monday, April 15th at 6 pm at the home of Susan Yeager. Bring your favorite salad, side dish, or dessert and enjoy an evening out with your sisters in Christ. Can't make it at 6? No worries! Come when you can and leave when you need to. Don't have time to bring food? There is always plenty of food! Need a ride? No worries! Call Selene (405)788-9955 and I will be happy to pick you up!! Hope to see you there!! Selene.

## MEETING

There will be an Elder's and Deacon's meeting today at 3:30.

## WEDDING SHOWER

There will be a wedding shower for Steven Wetzel and



Jennifer Hurley on Sunday, April 28th at 3:30. This will be held at Earline Lierly's home (which is the house next door to the church building on the north side). Jennifer & Steve are registered at Wal-mart and Bed, Bath and Beyond. A copy of the items she has registered for is posted on the bulletin board. If you have questions please see Earline.

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Nola Buller, April 19  
Temper Jenkins, April 20  
Colton Treat, April 21  
Barbara Girod, April 21  
Nyla Nunley, April 23

Stephanie Bullinger, April 25  
Susan Kress, April 25  
April Rothell, April 29  
Jake Yeager, April 30  
Paula Hamilton, April 30

Jim & Susan Yeager, May 1  
Marcia Hill, May 1  
Betty Jo Heltzel, May 2  
Larry Potter, May 4  
Mike & Susie O'Nale, May 5

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## Attendance: Last Week

Sunday Bible Classes	123
Sunday AM Worship	160
Sunday PM Worship	96
Wednesday Bible Classes	84

## Contribution

Sunday Contribution	\$4,778.00
Budget	\$4,041.00
Budget	<\$494.37>
Building Fund	\$382,174.90

## Men To Serve

### Sunday Morning

Song Leader	Randy Brown
Opening Prayer	James Hamilton
Closing Prayer	Matt Caldwell
Scripture Reading	Matt Hamilton
Lord's Table	Chris Mulkey Jesse Byers Jack Lierly Jerry Buller

### Ushers

Jerry O'Shields  
Bruce Rothell

### Lock Building

Matt Caldwell; Bobby Hill

### Sunday Evening

Song Leader	Steve Estep
Opening Prayer	Bobby Hill
Closing Prayer	Michael Brown
Scripture Reading	Bob Simmons

### Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer	Sonny Pulliam
Closing Prayer	Ben Williams
Song Leader	Jerry Buller
Invitation	Larry Potter

## Communion Preparation

4/7	Marilyn Pulliam
4/14	Stephanie Bullinger
4/21	Janice O'Shields
4/28	Shirley Hill
5/5	Selene Williams
5/12	Renee Whitchurch
5/19	Susan Yeager
5/26	Barbara Girod

## Next Quarterly Ladies Meeting

Sunday, June 2nd  
3:00 pm

## EAT THIS BOOK READINGS

4/14	Dt 33-34; Ps 96; Act 20
4/15	Josh 1; Ps 97; Act 21
4/16	Josh 2-4; Ps 98; Act 22
4/17	Josh 5-7; Ps 99; Act 23
4/18	Josh 8-9; Ps 100; Act 24-25
4/19	Josh 10-11; Ps 101; Act 26
4/20	Josh 12-13; Ps 102; Act 27



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OF THE LORD'S WAY®

\*These were more noble... they searched the scriptures daily... (Acts 17:11)

Sundays at 7:30 a.m. KWHB  
TV47 or Cable Channel 7

### Search Programs:

- April 14 - Just A Christian
- April 21 - Churches of Christ
- April 28 - A Member of the Body

## Sunday Morning Sermon

The Things That Belong to Us  
Deuteronomy 30:11-14

## Sunday Evening Sermon

The Unknown God  
Acts 17:22-25