

MAY SERVING SCHEDULE

ELDERS

- Gene Sturgill, Captain
- Blake Robinson

ELDER OF THE WEEK

- Thelmer McClanahan . . . . . 05/09 - 05/15
- Randy Johnson . . . . . 05/16 - 05/22
- Randy Roberts . . . . . 05/23 - 05/29
- Blake Robinson . . . . . 05/30 - 06/05

SERVING DEACONS/ ELDERS for MAY

- Nikki Lane
- Paul Corbin
- Tom Thompson
- Randy Johnson

GREETERS

- Pat Huffman & Ruth Wells 05/16
- Oldendick Family 05/23
- Suzy Delong & Barbara Deskins 05/30
- Bonita Summers & Gail Trimble 06/06

2010 ATTENDANCE REPORT

May	2	9	16	23	30
Sunday School	39	38			
Worship Total	91	101			

2010 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND	
Needed as of May 9th	\$ 88,631.39
Received as of May 9th	\$ 88,213.75



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"Our mission is to love God, to love others, and to lead others to Jesus Christ."

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A student once purchased a new mechanical pencil. After some time he found himself in the middle of an important test, and his pencil ran out of lead. There was a great deal of frustration and anguish as he wasted precious minutes going around to other students trying to borrow another pencil. Later the student found out that his new pencil was designed with a complete supply of extra lead inside that could be dispensed with a mere press of the button. Christians are often like this student; although they have all of God's sufficiency available to them, because of lack of knowledge they do not draw on it in their times of need. They may have faith, but faith must be linked to knowledge to be exercised and grow. That is one reason Bible study is so important in the Christian life. It makes us aware of resources we might not otherwise know are available to us. If you are not presently reading the Bible on a daily basis, now would be a good time to start. Likewise, if you are not currently attending Sunday School or Vespers, now would be an excellent time to begin doing so. God has many wonderful gifts waiting for us in His Word. I encourage you to make Bible study a priority in your life. It truly will make a difference!

*"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path."*  
 Psalm 119:105

Dr. Chuck Summers



As you have been hearing, we have planned a mission trip to Louisville next month to assist the residents at the Chapel House. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to reach out to some special people. For the trip we need to collect a number of items. You can help out by bringing any of the following items to church: white cotton socks, chap stick, small bottles of hand sanitizer, small bottles of lotion and shampoo, "Seek and Find" books (large print), soap, tooth paste, brushes, paper towels, toilet paper, note paper, picture frames, and small photo albums. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

On Mother's Day baby bottles were distributed to each family in the church. If you did not receive one you may still pick them up at the church. You are encouraged to collect your loose change in these bottles until Father's Day. The money received will help support the work of the Appalachian Pregnancy Care Center.



The Property Team has scheduled a Workday at the church for Saturday, May 15. We will begin working at 8:00 a.m. All who are physically able are encouraged to come help out.

Following morning worship on Sunday, May 16, the Mission Team will sponsor a Spaghetti Dinner in the fellowship hall. The purpose of this dinner is to raise money for our summer mission trip. We would like to encourage everyone to stay for dinner and to come prepared to make a generous contribution to the mission trip. Those who are not able to attend may still give a gift to support the mission trip.



There will be a Vacation Bible School Planning Session Sunday night, May 16, at 7:00. All those planning to help out with this year's V.B.S. are requested to be present. This year's V.B.S. will take place June 13-17. See Dee Branham for more information.



The Little Blessings Preschool will hold their 2010 graduation Wednesday evening, May 19th, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. Due to the graduation, there will be no choir practice that night.

The Senior Adults will take a trip to Paintsville on Thursday, May 20. We will be visiting the Mountain Homeplace at Paintsville Lake State Park and eating lunch in the area. We will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. All those planning to go are asked to call the church office by noon on May 19.



On Sunday, May 23, we will recognize our graduates. If your child is graduating from junior high school, high school, college or graduate school please contact the church office by May 17.

Pentecost Offering to be Received May 23

May 23rd is Pentecost Sunday. On this day we remember how the Holy Spirit was given to the church on the Day of Pentecost long ago to empower it to continue the ministry of Jesus. The Disciples of Christ receive a special offering each Pentecost to help us do a better job of ministering to others. The offering, split between the national New Church Ministry and the Regions, supports new church planting and development. Gifts to support new church development are key to our worldwide mission. This year's theme is "Expanding the Table." Please plan now to give a gift beyond your regular offering to the Pentecost Offering 2010.



Our older children and youth will have an opportunity to go to camp this summer at Camp Begomi. The dates for Camp are July 18-23. Camper applications are now available in the church office. If anyone from the church would like to work as a volunteer at Camp Begomi that week, we also have worker applications. For more information about Camp Begomi see Melanie Martin.