

**Sunshine Baskets for 11/15/2015:**

Amanda Birdwell, Theresa Fox, Barbara Mabery, Tonya Strong, Willene Heady, Laura Mayberry

**Happy Birthday!**

Dakota Burris (11/10), Jack Honeycutt (11/14), Kai Hewitt (11/14), Karsen Hewitt (11/14)

**Happy Anniversary!**

Roy & Betty Smallwood (11/09/1963)

**Pantry Items Needed:** Butter Beans

We have devices for those who are hard of hearing to help you during our worship services. If you are in need of one, please see Jeremy Broome.

**Announcements & Upcoming Events...**

**TODAY:** Worship services at Mabry Nursing Home at 2:00 p.m. Please sign-up in the back of the auditorium with what you can do!

**TODAY:** Singing class at 4:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend!

**November 10:** Road Runners trip to Uncle Larry's Catfish Restaurant. We'll leave the building at 8:30 a.m. Sign-up in the back by Sunday night.

**Sewing Group:** The sewing group will be meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Talk to Tonya Strong for more info. Her number is (931) 267-5481.

**November 14:** Ladies' Day at Findlay church of Christ. The subject is "Women at War - Tactics of the Devil in 2015". Cindy Colley will be speaking. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. A light breakfast & lunch will be served.

**November 14:** Taylor Christian Camp support day at 6:00 p.m. at Carthage church of Christ annex building. Free BBQ dinner. Alan Judd will be speaking.

**Sewing Group:** The sewing group is making heart pillows for the breast cancer surgery patients at CRMC. If you have polyester that you can donate, please see Tonya Strong.

\*\*\*New House to House magazines are in!

**Privileged to Serve November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

- Ushers ..... Caden Fox
..... Thurell Flatt
Announcements..... Sjon Gentry
Song Leader ..... Titus Anderson
Scripture Reading..... Greg Scott
Speaker..... John Mabery
Opening Prayer ..... Roy Flatt
Closing Prayer..... Travis Thomas
Oversee Lord's Supper.. Roy Flatt
Prepare Trays ..... Ben Young
Scripture Reading..... Burton Young
Serve ..... \*Mike Martin
..... \*Roy Smallwood
..... \*Jeremy Kirby
..... Chris Fox
..... Benton Young
..... Dakota Burris
Alternate to Serve..... Jerry Wilson
..... Alton Mayberry
Dismiss Classes..... Jerry Young
Count Contribution ..... Jeremy Broome
..... Mark Collins
..... Roy Young
..... Fred Heady
Response Card ..... Jimmy Strong
PowerPoint..... Blake Maberry
TV Program ..... Andrew Burris

**Sundav Evening (11/15/2015)**

- Speaker..... Randy Duke
Scripture Reading..... Alan Burris
Song Leader ..... Mike Birdwell
Opening Prayer ..... Jeremy Broome
Closing Prayer..... Jimmy Strong
PowerPoint..... Jesse Anderson

**Wednesday Evening (11/18/2015)**

- Song Leader ..... Nolan Young
Devotional..... Travis Thomas
Opening Prayer ..... Jim Young
Closing Prayer..... William Stafford

\*Take to the sick & shut-in

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**To Be Saved, JESUS Said We MUST...**

**Believe** Him (Jn.8:24; Heb.11:6)

**Repent** of our sins (Lk.13:3, 5)

**Confess** Christ (Rom.10:9-10)

**Be immersed** in water for remission of sins
(Mk.16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Rom.6:3-4)

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**"A Correction"**

by Carl Call

It has been brought to my attention that there was a mistake in my article in last week's bulletin. First & above all, I apologize for this misunderstanding. It is not my intention to mislead anyone. It is almost most definitely not my intention to teach something that is not true. Before I explain my reasons for writing this, let me say thank you for coming forward & letting it be known so it can be fixed. I do ask that if anyone ever has a problem with something I do or say, please come to me so we can talk & get it straightened out. I truly believe that's how we take care of each other. Now about Lucifer. I search many websites & references. All I looked at all described in Isaiah 14:12 that Lucifer refers to Satan here. I went back to do some more research & found an article at Apologetics Press by Bert Thomas, Ph.D. Please read both.

The first is why I concluded that Lucifer is another name for Satan before his fall (http://www.allaboutgod.com/story-of-lucifer.htm): "Story of Lucifer - His Origin: To find the origin of Lucifer, we turn to the Old Testament. In the Hebrew, the name Lucifer is translated from the Hebrew word "helel," which means brightness. This designation, referring to Lucifer, is the rendering of the "morning star" or "star of the morning" or "bright star" which is presented in Isaiah. "How you are fallen from heaven, O Day Star, son of Dawn! How you are cut down to the ground, you who laid the nations low! You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit on the mount of assembly on the heights of Zaphon; I will ascend to the tops of the clouds, I will make myself like the Most High'" (Isaiah 14:12-14). The context of this passage is a referral to the king of Babylon as presented in his pride, splendor & fall. However, it is to the power behind the evil Babylonian king that this is actually addressed. No mortal king would claim that his throne was above that of God or that he was like the Most High. The power behind the evil Babylonian king is Lucifer, Son of the Morning. Story of Lucifer - His Status: What kind of iniquity was found of him? In the book of Ezekiel, God has let us stand with Him at the very beginning, to see the origin & the creation of Satan. But, why does God say this? What is this iniquity? We must look back to Isaiah 14:12, which tells us of Lucifer/Satan's choice. "I will ascend to

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**Sunday:** Bible Classes @ 9:00 a.m.
Worship @ 10:00 a.m.
Worship @ 5:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Bible Classes @ 7:00 p.m.
Our A.M. Service is **Televised** on Monday
on Cable Channel 16 @ 6:00 pm

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heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit on the mount of assembly on the heights of Zaphon; I will ascend to the tops of the clouds, I will make myself like the Most High." Did you notice in this passage all of the "I wills." He said he would exalt his throne above the stars of God. The word "stars" here does not refer to what we see in the night sky. It refers to the angels of God. In other words, "I will take over heaven, I will be God." That is Lucifer/Satan's sin & that is the iniquity that was found in him. He does not want to be God's servant. He does not want to do what he was created to do. He wants to be served & there are millions who have chosen to do just that; serve him. They have listened to his lies & chosen to follow him. Eve believed the lie that she would be like God. The reason Lucifer/Satan tempted her with that was because it is the very thing that he wants -- to be God."

The second is a commentary by Bert Thompson, Ph.D

(<http://apologeticspress.org/apcontent.aspx?category=11&article=1091>): *Is Satan "Lucifer"? Q. Isaiah 14:12 mentions the name of "Lucifer." I've heard it said that this is Satan. Are Lucifer & Satan one & the same? A. It is sad, but nevertheless true, that on occasion Bible students attribute to God's Word facts & concepts that it neither teaches nor advocates. These ill-advised beliefs run the entire gamut—from harmless misinterpretations to potentially soul-threatening false doctrines. Although there are numerous examples from both categories that could be listed, perhaps one of the most popular misconceptions among Bible believers is that Satan also is designated as "Lucifer" within the pages of the Bible. What is the origin of the name Lucifer, what is its meaning, & is it a synonym for "Satan"? Here are the facts. The word "Lucifer" is used in the King James Version only once, in Isaiah 14:12: "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!" The Hebrew word translated "Lucifer" is helel (or heylel), from the root, hâlâl, meaning "to shine" or "to bear light." Keil & Delitzsch noted that "[i]t derives its name in other ancient languages also from its striking brilliancy, & is here called ben-shachar (son of the dawn)... (1982, 7:311). However, the KJV translators did not translate helel as Lucifer because of something inherent in the Hebrew term itself. Instead, they borrowed the name from Jerome's translation of the Bible (A.D. 383-405) known as the Latin Vulgate. Jerome, likely believing that the term was describing the planet Venus, employed the Latin term "Lucifer" ("light-bearing") to designate "the morning star" (Venus). Only later did the suggestion originate that Isaiah 14:12ff. was speaking of the devil. Eventually, the name Lucifer came to be synonymous with Satan. But is Satan "Lucifer"? No, he is not. The context into which verse 12 fits begins in verse 4 where God told Isaiah to "take up this parable against the king of Babylon, & say, 'How hath the oppressor ceased! the*

*golden city ceased!'" In his commentary on Isaiah, Albert Barnes explained that God's wrath was kindled against the king because the ruler "intended not to acknowledge any superior either in heaven or earth, but designed that himself & his laws should be regarded as supreme" (1950, 1:272). The chest-pounding boast of the impudent potentate was: I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; & I will sit upon the mount of congregation, in the uttermost parts of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High (vss. 13-14). As a result of his egotistical self-deification, the pagan monarch eventually would experience both the collapse of his kingdom & the loss of his life—an ignominious end that is described in vivid & powerful terms. "Sheol from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming," the prophet proclaimed to the once-powerful king. And when the ruler finally descends into his eternal grave, captives of that hidden realm will taunt him by saying, "Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms?" (vs. 16). He is denominated as a "man" (vs. 16) who would die in disrepute & whose body would be buried, not in a king's sarcophagus, but in pits reserved for the downtrodden masses (vss. 19-20). Worms would eat his body, & hedgehogs would trample his grave (vss. 11,23). It was in this context that Isaiah referred to the king of Babylon as "the morning star" ("son of the morning"; "son of the dawn") to depict the once-shining-but-now-dimmed, once-lofty-but-now-diminished, status of the (soon to be former) ruler. In his Bible Commentary, E.M. Zerr observed that such phrases were "...used figuratively in this verse to symbolize the dignity & splendor of the Babylonian monarch. His complete overthrow was likened to the falling of the morning star" (1954, 3:265). This kind of phraseology should not be surprising since "[i]n the O.T., the demise of corrupt national powers is frequently depicted under the imagery of falling heavenly luminaries (cf. Isa. 13:10; Ezek. 32:7), hence, quite appropriately in this context the Babylonian monarch is described as a fallen star [cf. ASV]" (Jackson, 1987, 23:15). Nowhere within the context of Isaiah 14, however, is Satan depicted as Lucifer. In fact, quite the opposite is true. In his commentary on Isaiah, Burton Coffman wrote: "We are glad that our version (ASV) leaves the word Lucifer out of this rendition, because...Satan does not enter into this passage as a subject at all" (1990, p. 141). The Babylonian ruler was to die & be buried—fates neither of which Satan is destined to endure. The king was called "a man" whose body was to be eaten by worms, but Satan, as a spirit, has no physical body. The monarch lived in & abided over a "golden city" (vs. 4), but Satan is the monarch of a kingdom of spiritual darkness (cf. Ephesians 6:12). And so on. The context presented in Isaiah 14:4-16 not only does not portray Satan as Lucifer, but actually militates against it. Keil & Delitzsch firmly proclaimed that "Lucifer," as a synonym, "is a perfectly appropriate one for the king of Babel, on account of the early date of the Babylonian culture, which reached back as far as the grey twilight of primeval times, & also because of its predominate astrological character" (1982, p. 312). They then correctly concluded that "Lucifer, as a name given to the devil, was derived from this passage...without any warrant whatever, as relating to the apostasy & punishment of the angelic leaders" (pp. 312-313).*

Once again, I doo apologize for any misunderstanding & ask for your forgiveness. I learned a lot from this. I hope everyone has a great week!

**November 22;** Jackson County 4th Sunday Singing **here** at 2:00 p.m.

**November 24:** Bible study will be on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. instead of Wednesday due to Thanksgiving.

**65 & Older:** If you are turning or are already 65 years old, please check the list in the back of the auditorium to make sure your name is on the list!

**Our Deepest Sympathy to the Families of:** Aaron (A-Model) Haney, James Red Allen, Willard Mayberry

**Please Keep the India Mission Team in Your Prayers:** Glenn & Lisa Holmes, Michael Grooms, Danny Rader, Ted & Janice Gaw, & Jack & Becky Honeycutt

Mary Young	<b>Prayer List</b>	Susan Bowman	
Nell Haney		Jewell Mitchell	
Joann Ledbetter		Grace Sloan	Sonya Warden Heady
Bobby Elkins		Farlin Flatt	Sherry Scott Arms
Mildred Elkins		Eula Fox	Bobby Pharris
Merlene Hall		Lenora Dudney	Vellary Cambell
Dean Wilson		A.V. Thomas	Rodger Vaughn
Dorothy Kilgore		Colby Locke	Mary Nell Flatt
Ernest Fields		Lydia Wright	Harley Allen
Jimmy Stewart		Pat Gentry	Jerline Stafford
Linda Lawson		Jerri Chaffin	Hillary Broome
Cathy Bragg		Linda Gentry	Hugh Birdwell
Stella Flatt		M.B. Ragland	Louise Richardson
Brenda Spivey		Charles Haney	Ann Johnson
Shirley Mathis		Douglas Dyer	Elizabeth Howell
<b>*If you have updates to the prayer list, please contact Rellon Burris. His contact info is on the back!</b>			

**Area Rest Homes & Rehab. Centers:**

- Mabry:** Edna Roberts
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- Galatin:** Octavine Conquest
- Bethesda:** Jimmy Wiley
- NHC:** Brenda Meredith

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- Ohio:** Claudette Anderson Elliot
- Vanderbilt:** Ray Young
- Missouri:** Bill Wisdom

**Prayer List (Continued):** Chester Hamlet, Katie Kinniard Worley & Bobby Kinniard