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*Pleasant View Church of Christ*  
*Bulletin For*  
**August 9, 2009**

*Sun. Bible Study:* 9:15 A.M.  
*Sun. A.M. Worship:* 10:00 A.M.  
*Sun. P.M. Worship:* 6:00 P.M.  
*Wed. Bible Study:* 7:00 P.M.

Worship Schedule For 8/16/09

**Announce** – Maurice Powell  
**Sing A.M.** – Stephen Powell  
**Read** – Oscar Parton  
**Pray** – Michael Hillis  
**Table** – Doris Hibdon  
 Jerry Lorange  
 Nathan Moore  
 Bob Hayes  
**Dismiss** – Johnny Powell

**Sing P.M.** – Michael Hillis  
**Pray P.M.** – Stephen Powell

Wed. Night Schedule For 8/12/09

**Sing** – Stephen Powell  
**Read** – Michael Hillis

Prepare Communion For August

Maurice Powell

Prepare Communion For September

Jerry Gilley

Last Lord's Day

Attendance – 45  
 Contribution – \$1045.00

Visitation Team This Weeks (8/9)

Maurice Powell, Oscar Parton

Visitation Team Next Week (8/16)

Stephen Powell, Brian Witty

Visitation Team in two Week (8/23)

Jerry Gilley, Doris Hibdon

Get Bible Study Stand This Week

Maurice Powell

Prayer List

Sick

Doris Powell (fell), Lemuel Underhill (surgery in Aug.), Garnett Gilley, Billy Thomas (surgery this past week, MITC), Arlis Thomas (Back), Earl Hollis, Joe Wimberley (Hospital), Ruth Arledge (out of Hospital), Ronnie (Wilma Thomas' son)

Treatments

Judy Powell (break), Linda Adamson

Shut-Down

Doris Powell, Ona Prater, Josephine Ferrell, Maggie Wimberley, Everett Witty, Lucille Parton, Arnold Cook, Willie Mai Bryant

Our Sympathy for the families of

Jackie Bratten Fann

Current Events

**Gospel Meeting**

**Curlee Church of Christ**  
 Aug 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Sun PM – Wed – 7:00pm  
**Speaker:** Jason Gann

**Business Meeting**

**Pleasant View Church of Christ**  
 Sept 6<sup>th</sup> – immediately after evening service

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

None for this week

**SHOWING KINDNESS TO OUR ENEMIES**

*Alan Smith – Thought for the Day*

A woman sued her husband for divorce. She told the judge she had nagged and nagged, but she couldn't get him to do right. The judge wondered if she had tried using kindness. Referring to the biblical passage, which says that when we show kindness to our enemy it is like heaping "burning coals on his head," he asked her if she had tried heaping coals on his head.

She answered, "No, but I don't think it will work. I already tried scalding water and that didn't do any good."

I'm not sure this woman understood the concept of showing kindness. But I think it's something we all struggle with. Showing kindness to our enemies has to be one of the toughest things that Jesus taught and one of his teachings which we are most inclined to resist.

We all know from experience how hard it is to love our enemy. It's hard enough at times to love our husband and wife and children. It can be difficult to love people that you like and who like you. It's another thing entirely to talk about loving someone that you don't like and who doesn't like you. And it seems almost impossible to love someone who does ugly and hurtful things to you.

And yet Jesus taught, "Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven....For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?" (Matthew 5:44-46)

As Jesus points out, when we love those who love us, we're on the same level as everyone else in the world. Anybody can do that. Even atheists can do a pretty good job at loving people that love them. But Jesus calls his followers to higher level of love. It's a difficult love, the kind of love that led Jesus to say on the cross, "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." That's the love to which Jesus calls us.

Do you need to "heap some burning coals" on someone's head today? "Bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you."

**Last Week's Bible Question**

It is better to suffer, wrote Peter, if that should be God's will for  
 [I Pet 3:17]

- a. well doing than for evil doing
- b. evil doing than for well doing
- c. evil doing than for right thinking
- d. right thinking than for evil doing

**Test your Bible Knowledge**

The "multitude of sins" is covered, wrote Peter  
 by  
 [I Pet 4:8]

- a. faith
- b. charity
- c. hate
- d. meekness

*In Search of the Lord's Way* – Mack Lyon  
 Sundays at 7:00 a.m. – Nashville Channel 30  
*The Good News Today*  
 Sundays at 7:30 a.m. – Nashville Channel 30  
 GBN (Direct TV 323 / Dish Channel 9407 & 9396)  
 7:00 a.m.

**Nursery facilities** - The nursery is located in either of the back class rooms with the changing table in the middle room (there is also changing tables in each bathroom). There are speakers in the rooms. Just turn them up as needed. The volume is located above the door as you walk in.