

Why Is The House Of God Forsaken?

Introduction: The books of Ezra and Nehemiah describe how that after 70 yrs. of captivity, God's people returned to Jerusalem. Nehemiah chapters 1-6 focus on rebuilding the walls and gates of the city, and chapters 7-13 focus on rebuilding the people. When Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem a second time much of what he had accomplished had to be redone. A summary statement of the problem is found in 13:11 — "Why is the house of God forsaken?" The people had promised in 10:39 — ". . . We will not neglect the house of our God."

Why did the people forsake God's house?

I. Because of Ignorance (13:1-3).

- A. They did not know the will of God.
- B. Some are ignorant of the benefits of worship.

II. Because of Associations (13:1-3).

- A. Foreigners were not to be part of the assembly of God.
- B. The doctrine of separation is also found in the New Testament.

III. Because of Uncleanness (13:4-9).

- A. The leadership was also affected.
- B. The Bible encourages us to be "clean."
 - 1. In thought.
 - 2. In life.

IV. Because of Greed (13:10-14).

- A. The people were not giving their tithes and offerings.
- B. In the New Testament we are told to give "as prospered."

V. Because of Secularism (13:15-22).

- A. They had made the Lord's "day of rest" like any other day.
- B. The first day of the week should never lose its uniqueness and spiritual nature.

VI. Because of Inter-marriages (13:23-31).

- A. Due to inter-marriages the Jew's children no longer spoke the Hebrew language.
- B. Non-Christian mates can pull us away from faithful attendance.

Conclusion: Nehemiah really loved the house of God. Hopefully, we love being present for worship that much today.

WELCOME . . .

To the services of the Church Street
Church of Christ.

Theme for 2010
"The Greatest of These Is Love"



If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guests. Please sign a blue card and leave on the pew so that we can have a record of your visit.

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Order of Worship **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!** May 9, 2010

8:30 Service

10:45 Service

Welcome/Ann: Kevin Cole

Chris McNutt

Song: 501

O Worship The King

Song: 511

Oft, We Come Together

Communion & Giving

Song: 569

Search Me, O God

Reading: Neh. 13:6-11

Gary Cantrell

Aaron Wiles

Prayer:

Richard Finley

David Jent

Song 700

To The Work!

Sermon: "Why Is The House of God Forsaken?"

Song 789

Work For The Night Is Coming

Song: 976

Sweet Adoration

Closing Prayer:

James Cole

Joel Hargrove

Song leader: Bill Tankersley

Preacher: John Tracy

6:00 PM WORSHIP SERVICE

Open Service: Grover Collins

Read: Jimmy Wolaver

Pray: Ray Wakefield

Cl. Prayer: Curtis Vandiver

Sermon: "While Men Slept"

Scripture: Matt. 13:24-30



Justin Time

Marshall County Area Wide Devotional

When: Sunday, May 9

Where: Chapel Hill

Time: 5:15 p.m. (bus will leave at 4:45 p.m.)

All Age Devotional

When: Saturday, May 22nd

Where: Robert and Valerie Hopkins' house

Time: 4:00 p.m. – whenever

Please sign-up on the youth board

Senior Night

We will be having our annual senior night on Sunday night, May 16th. Our nine graduating seniors are: Jonathan Bigham, Marie Cruz, Katy Gold, David Hargrove, Raine Murdock, Rhett Stephens, Brittney Wade, Derek Wade and Aaron Wiles.

Chuck E. Cheese's Trip

When: Saturday, May 15th

Ages: 5th grade and under

Please sign-up on the youth board!

Sign-Ups on the Youth Board

Chuck E. Cheese's (May 15) - 5th Grade and under
All Age Devotional (May 22) - Robert and Valerie Hopkins
Sounds Game (May 29) - All Ages
Summer Camp Staff
VBS Staff

Nashville Sounds Game

When: Saturday, May 29

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Important Dates To Remember

Senior Night - May 16
Summer Camp - June 6-12
VBS at Church Street - June 20-24
Youth Mission Trip - June 26 - July 1
Bible Day Camp - July 19-22

**Summer Camp and Teen Mission Trip
Applications Are Available**

60% ATTENDANCE FOR BIBLE CLASS

2 yr. olds

Olympia Peirce
Logan Terry
Emily Lancaster
Reese Hooten
Joseph Meeks
Cade Cheatham
Bentley Wakefield
Kristen Kreuzer

1st Grade

Caroline Bailey
Logan Courtemanche
Alysa Owens
Tatum Garrett
Cameron Rucker
Christian Stacey
Luke Terry
Eve Robbins

3 yr. olds

Mary Grace Stacey
Claira Wakefield
Allie Rae Williams

2nd Grade

Michelle Omo
Ashton Cheatham
Ashley Hopkins
Houston Williams
Andrew Gold

4 yr. olds

Lane Stacey
Ellah Wilson

3rd & 4th Grade

Carson Bailey
Aaron Collins
Grayson Garrett
Kimberlynn Greer
Dawson Hammons
Madison Head
Alli Hobbs
Will Smith
Alison Werner

Kindergarten

Abbie Collins
Bryson Hammons
Genesis Olmo
Anna Wakefield
Rachel Werner
Jackson Williams

5th & 6th Grade

Neely Hopkins
Shelby Hopkins
Ty Jordan
Andrew Owens

7th & 8th Grade

Aaron Hobbs
Nick Werner
Grayson Wiles
Bethany Cole
Trenton Wiles
Austin Stacey
Madalyn Gold
Rob Anderson
Aaron Houghton

High School & College

Luke Anderson
Thomas Wilson
Aaron Wiles
Jonathan Pate
David Hargrove
Cody Coblenz
Ethan Cole
Thomas Tindell
Jessica Hargrove
Elizabeth Tankersley
Natalie Wiles
Stacey Cole
Marie Cruz
Rachel Zajac
Kalie Hobbs
Kathleen Stacey
Kenston Ezell
Kaci Ezell

Congratulations to all of our young people who make Bible Class an important part of their week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sick: Betty Pate, grandmother of Jonathan & Andrew, had open heart surgery on Monday at Centennial. Joan Martin, mother of Bob, is in Maury Reg.

Sympathy: Our love and sympathy is extended to the families of: Mrs. Wilma Cook, Mr. Fount Webb, Mrs. Mary Hughes, mother in law of Ruth Hargrove and Shirley McCalister.



Congratulations to Brandon & Mandy Whidby on the birth of a baby girl. Kaelynn Eva was born April 27th, weighing in at 8 lbs. 2 ozs. and 21" long. Grandparents are Bill & Pam Owen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

There will not be a Disaster Relief trip this month!

**May 9: HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
Remember Mom!**

May 9: Area Wide Youth Devotional at Chapel Hill Church of Christ.

May 15: Chuck E Cheese trip.

May 16: Monthly Singing at Farmington at 2:00.

**May 16: Senior Night — Reception in annex following evening service.
Have your food here by 5:00.**

May 20: Bloodmobile in annex, 12:30-5:30.

May 22: All Age Youth Devotional at Robert & Valerie Hopkins — 4:00.

May 23: Group going to the City of Children will meet at 4:00 in Room 13.

May 23: Bridal Shower for Erica Young, bride-elect of Nathan Haislip from 2 til 3:30 at the home of Jeanne Wiles. They are registered at Target, Bed, Bath & Beyond, H & S 1 & Old Rink Emporium.

May 30: Summit Singing after the evening service.



5/10 Fay Jordan
5/11 David Griffith
5/12 Kalie Hobbs - 17
5/13 Clint Holt
5/15 Terry Spray
Jessica Williams - 30
5/16 Karlee Gower - 17
Johnathan Robison



5/9 Lamarr & Connie Haislip - 35 yrs.
5/10 Larry & Dianne McKnight
5/11 James & Jan Daughrity
5/14 Don & Pam Crabtree - 44 yrs.
5/15 Charlie & Polly Middleton

ITEM FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

The item for the Children's Home for May is: **Bottled Grape and Orange Juice.**

For The Record

May 2, 2010

AM	419
PM	148
Bible Class	362
Summit	17
Wed. Night	240

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