

### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

Bible Class 10:00 AM  
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM  
 Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

#### Leadership

Elders Hayward Blanton  
 Jerry Casey  
 Clint Smith Sr

Deacons Brandon Slotman  
 Clint Smith Jr  
 Robby Stocksdale  
 Joe Sweeney

Pulpit Minister Eric Welch

#### Missions

Panama Pablo & Myra Sanchez  
 Panama Denicio & Carmen Miranda  
 New Zealand Nick & Marisa Parker

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### Those Privileged to Serve

#### A.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Michael Hawkins  
 Opening Prayer Irvin Williams  
 Scripture Reading Joe Sweeney  
 Sermon Stephen Morris  
 Lord's Supper Message Jerry Casey  
 Table Attendant Dillian Goddard  
 Table Attendant Clint Smith III  
 Closing Prayer Clint Smith Jr

#### P.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Rick Martin  
 Bible Reading Greg Blanton  
 Selection 15  
 Opening Prayer Brandon Slotman  
 Sermon Eric Welch  
 Closing Prayer Leon Stocksdale

#### A.M. & P.M. Services

Announcements Clint Smith Sr  
 Lord's Supper Prayer Doug McArthur  
 Offering Prayer Derrick Smith II  
 Usher Harold Tincher  
 Count Offering Robby Stocksdale  
 Assist Count Hank Tincher

#### Sermon Titles

##### Sunday Morning

To Be Announced

##### Sunday Evening

The King of Glory - Psalm 24

#### Last Sunday

Offering: \$3,258 Attendance: 103

#### **Let's Be Faithful to the Lord**

The saddest thing in the world will be the person standing before the Lord on the Day of Judgment who had once been a faithful child of God, but died unfaithful to the Lord and living in sin. God's word says concerning this individual, "But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: 'A dog returns to his own vomit'" (2 Peter 2:22). There is no longer forgiveness of sins for a person who is unfaithful and living in sin (Hebrews 10:26). A person in this condition "has trodden underfoot the Son of God, and counted the blood of the covenant wherewith he was sanctified an unholy thing...It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" (Hebrews 10:29, 31), by being "cast into the lake of fire and brimstone" (Revelation 20:10).

The greatest thing at the end of our time will be if we can say, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give me on that day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing" (2 Timothy 4:7-8). Going to Heaven must be our number one priority in this life. Satan is striving to cause us to give up, but let us, "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which has great recompense of reward" (Hebrews 10:35). To keep from losing our reward of Heaven, let us, "be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:58).

**Ron Boatwright**

# The Worker

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## “God, Government, and the Christian” Seminar

With Stephen Morris

Friday April 13, 2018 @ 7 p.m.

Saturday April 14, 2018 @ 7 p.m.

Sunday April 15, 2018 @ 10 a.m.

#### Lesson Titles:

“The Christian and Religious Liberty in America”

“The Christian in Politics”

“The Christian in Two Kingdoms”

“The Christian and Government”

**About the Speaker:** Stephen Morris is a licensed attorney, public official and Professor of Law and Political Studies at Freed-Hardeman University. He earned his B.A. and J.D. from the University of Mississippi, practiced law in Tupelo, Mississippi, for twelve years, and then joined the faculty at FHU. Morris is the chairman of the Chester County Election Commission and serves as an elder for the Henderson Church of Christ. He has been married to his wife, Joyce, for 30 years, and they have two children – Mary Beth (Wallace) and Ben.

**A Fellowship meal is planned following the a.m. worship**

## **Building Up Our Children: Repentance**

Eric Welch

This weekend is the seminar on God, the Government and the Christian by Stephen Morris of FHU. Although I do not know what subjects he will address, I would not be surprised if he includes America's dire need to repent. National repentance, of course, can only occur when each of its citizens repents. Repentance is the third of the Three R's that parents must teach their children. The natural question is, "what should they repent of?"

A search for the word "narcissism" on the internet will bring up many results that describe the youth of the country. Some psychologists say that the youth today are the most narcissistic generation in recent memory. They blame the change in culture. The self-esteem movement, for example, attempts to protect children from any form of negative feedback (poor grades, no score-keeping at ballgames, and no constructive criticism). This pampering, I think, has led to college "safe spaces" for protection from all offenses and to the censorship of free speech. Thus, many children grow up believing that they are special, entitled and that they can do no wrong and are not allowed to fail. No wonder mental illness and suicide rates are on the rise among Millennials and beyond. So sad.

In all fairness, every generation has had trouble with narcissism in its youth and memories tend to fade among the older ones. The WWII generation has been called the "Greatest Generation" because they answered the call of their country. However, I had someone from this generation tell me once that those of that generation doted on their Baby Boomer children after the war. For the longest time, the Boomers have been called the "Me" generation. This generation gave rise to participation trophies, no-fault divorces and latch-key Gen X-ers (my generation). No generation is guiltless of narcissism.

Narcissism is what the Bible calls "pride," and pride has been everyone's problem since Adam and Eve. Pride is simply rebellion against God. Pride causes us to disrespect Him and to refuse responsibility for our actions and mistakes. Even worse, pride prevents us from seeing the guilt of our sin and the need, therefore, of a savior. What do you expect when a generation is taught that truth and morality are relative?

Solomon says, "Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall" (Proverbs 16:18). Indeed, Jesus told the Jews of His generation that, "unless you repent, you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3, 5). They did not repent; they perished in AD 70. Our nation needs to repent, to change its collective mind, and that begins with a humble submission to God. Christians should be at the front of the line as the Bible says, "Submit yourselves therefore to God" (James 4:7). Learning the first two R's, respect and responsibility, is a good place to start. We build up our children when we teach them to repent.

See you at the seminar!

## **Hamburg Pike Happenings**

A fellowship meal is scheduled Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup> after the morning worship. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

The Monday Night for the Master group will meet Monday April 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The meal theme is potluck.

Potter Children's Home and Family Ministries in Bowling Green, KY has provided us with 20 coin canisters for their annual "Silver for Children" campaign. If your family would like to take one home, please see one of the Elders. The campaign return date is Sunday September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup> is the first 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of 2018 and the Elders have set the day for a special contribution. Our goal is to double the budget amount in order to assist the Jacksonville, Alabama church of Christ. They oversee the House to House Heart to Heart publication and Polishing the Pulpit. Their buildings were damaged by a tornado on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018.