



CHURCH OF CHRIST

# Welcome

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# White Bluff Church of Christ February 22, 2026

## SUNDAY SERVICES

February 22, 2026

**LEAD SINGING:** David Karnes  
**LEAD OPENING PRAYER:** John Willoughby  
**SERVE Communion Emblems in FEB:** Harold Petty, Dennis Daniel, Brand Sweat  
**Preside Communion:**—James Sellers

**SERMON:** Doug Couch  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CLOSING PRAYER:** Jay Wilkins  
**LOBBY GREETERS:** Brent & Jessica Delaney  
**SEAT GREETERS:** Karl & Janie Craun  
**USHERS to Collect Contribution in FEB:** Kenny Goodman, Pierre Griffin

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS:** Tara & Hannah Pickard

### Sunday Evening Service

**LEAD SINGING:** David Karnes  
**LEAD OPENING PRAYER:** Don Mosley  
**SERMON:** Doug Couch  
**LEAD CLOSING PRAYER:** Robert Qualls  
**PRESIDE FOR MONTH OF FEB:** Cameron Jones

**Wednesday Evening Bible Class 6:30**

**FOOD CALL IN FEB:** Ann Mitchell, Kim Willoughby  
**WASH LINENS IN FEB:** Penny Rodgers  
**LOCK & UNLOCK DOORS FOR THE MONTH OF FEB:** Wade Lynn & Doug Couch

Feb. 15 — Attendance—223 Contribution—\$7,557

### Directory Updates, Prayer Request Notifications & Death Notices:

Debbie Couch 615-957-7452 or at couchd25@hotmail.com  
If you have announcements to be put on the screen: send email to: whblchurch@gmail.com PLACE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS THAT YOU HAVE FOR SUNDAY MORNING ON THE CLIPBOARD IN THE LOBBY.

### ONLINE GIVING

Go to [www.whitebluffcoc.org](http://www.whitebluffcoc.org) and click/tap on "GIVE". Or scan the QR code to go directly to the link. Follow the instructions to "contribution by card." There is a slight card fee as expected with all credit card transactions.



In the event of extreme weather conditions such as snow, ice storm, etc. which affects traffic movement, please call 615-957-7452 to check for service cancellation. An email and text message will also be sent.

To our members and visitors:

Welcome to White Bluff!  
We are glad you are here!

## WORDS—What Do They Mean?

Preachers have an unusual opportunity to listen to people. In the course of their many conversations, many promises are given, statements made, offered. Perhaps it is easy to see, then that some people do not "say what they mean."

**'They say'** - usually means 'I heard it from at least one source but everybody believes it!'

**'It needs to be done'** - means 'I'm not going to do anything about it, but the church ought to!'

**'I've heard some criticism'** - usually means 'I'm against it but I don't have the nerve to state my beliefs!'

**'The whole church is upset'** - usually means 'Two or three loud mouths have turned their venom loose!'

**'It might bring criticism'** - means 'I know it should be done but it just takes too much effort for me to do it!'

**'If memory serves me correctly'** - really means 'I'm going to say something I'm not sure of whether true or false, but if somebody discovers I'm wrong, I can always blame my memory!'

**'Preacher, I'll be there if I am not providentially hindered'** - nearly always means 'If I'm not there you can blame God for it!'

**'I'll come every time I can'** - usually means 'If I don't have something better to do I'll be there!'

**'I'm still studying the question'** - usually means 'I want to stay in a position to agree with both sides!'

You can take from there. Christians should be far more careful to mean what they say and say what they mean than people of the world. Jesus says a plain 'yes' or 'no' is suitable for Christian's word (Matt. 5:36-37)

*"But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgement. For by thy words thou shalt be justified and by the words thou shalt be condemned"* (Matt. 12:36-37)

Roy H. Lanier, Jr. Childersburg, AL

### Elders:

Terry Gross Doug Couch  
Jay Wilkins Larry Osborne  
Brent Welch Shamron Jackson

### Deacons:

Larry Cocke Gale Larkins  
Tim Godwin Butch Lee  
Mike Jones Jeremy Petty  
David Karnes Dean McKaskle  
Lee Marlow Greg Morris

**Evangelist:** Doug Couch  
615-973-9652  
**Associate Minister:** Daniel Cauthen  
615-587-0965  
**Youth Minister:** Brant Sweat  
580-861-2281

### Secretaries:

Debbie Couch 615-957-7452  
Julie McKaskle 615-308-8456

### Sunday:

Bible Classes 9:00am  
A.M. Worship 10:00am  
P.M. Worship 5:00pm  
Children's Bible Hour 5:00pm

### Wednesday:

**6:30 PM** Classes for everyone

**Thursday:** Ladies Bible Class 10:00am  
**"In Search of the Lord's Way"** Sunday AM 7 – 7:30  
**"Gospel Broadcasting Network"**  
(GBN) Sunday AM 7:30-8:00  
**"Good News Today"** Sunday AM -8:00  
All on Channel WUXP 30

### Church office email address:

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## Why Invite People to Church Services?

Though 85% of Americans call themselves Christians, only 69% regard themselves as church members. Only 43 % will attend church on a given Sunday. Another 22% will attend occasionally. Only 22% of Americans attend Bible classes on Sunday mornings.

There are now 79 million "unchurched" people in America.

Many of these people are "notional" Christians. They claim to be Christians but do not practice their Christianity by church attendance. These are people who need a church home.

Why do they need church home? For the same reasons you do. They need the spiritual help and climate going to church provides. They need to hear the Scripture preached and to remember the Lord's death in His supper. They need to praise the Lord in song and to pray about their needs. They need to the Lord's help and teaching from week to week.

They also need a church home because we all need our brothers and sisters in Christ. Life has a way of handing us surprises. It means so much to have the support of loving brothers and sisters who will pray with us and for us when we need them. Solomon was right when he said that "two are better than one" (Ecclesiastes 4:9). There is strength in numbers, and brothers and sisters assure our hearts when they walk beside us in serving the Lord. "Iron sharpens iron; so a man sharpens the countenance of his friend" (Proverbs 27:17).

Surely you know someone who needs a church home. Won't you help them? Bring them to the Lord.

Phil Sanders.

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## Calendar of Events

Feb. 20-22—CYC for the Youth Group  
 Feb. 22—Ladies Bible Class at 3:30  
 Feb. 27-28— Ladies Retreat at Leatherwood w/Judy Hinson. Turn in your applications to Konni Sullivan  
 March 3—JOY Group to Olive Garden, Opry Mills  
 March 7—Men's Breakfast @ Camp Leatherwood

### Check the bulletin board for area events.

March 14—Ladies Day at Centerville CoC with Cindy Colley speaking.  
 April 23—26 — Equipped Workshop @ Cumberland Trace CoC



## Happy Birthday

Feb. 23—Robert Qualls  
 Feb. 24—Jennifer Hartsfield  
 Feb. 26—Tamara Cocke, Kim Willoughby  
 Feb. 28—Tara Pickard

### Happy Anniversary

Feb. 25—Gale & Bessie Larkins (65 years)

## New Baby

Congratulations to Mark and Joyce Morey on the birth of a great-grandson. **Theodore Stephen Tucker** was born on February 15, 202026 weighing in at 7lb 1 oz and 19 1/4 inches long. Proud parents are Thor and Sarah Tucker.

## Thank You



## Items Needed for February

**Backpack Program** needs plastic grocery bags.

**MAGI Program** needs Toothpaste

**Pantry Items** needs: Paper Towels Instant Rice  
 See Tara Pickard with monetary donations.

## Pray For One Another Daily

**Gale Larkins** is in Horizon Hospital having heart problems.

**Larry Osborne** is in Centennial Hospital undergoing treatment.

**Ashley Lynn** is in Tristar Southern Hills being treated for a blood infection due to problems with her kidneys.

**Charlie Hooper**, son of Wayne & Linda, had a serious heart procedure on Wednesday, Feb. 18 at Centennial Hospital.

Sympathy to the family of **Brenda Gist**. She passed away last Thursday night. She was a Wednesday Meals recipient.

## Those Battling Cancer

### OUR MEMBERS

**Karl Craun**  
**Larry Osborne**  
**Elizabeth Daugherty**  
**Bud Martin**  
**Ruth Nicholson**  
**Gary Burgess**

### OTHERS W/ CANCER

	<i>Relationship</i>
Sandra Floyd	Glenda Bull's niece
David Stokes	Bernice Stokes' brother-in-law
Dale Gross	Terry Gross's brother
Peggy Donegan	Shirley Daniel's sister
Anthony Bennett	Jerry & Adelaide's son-in-law
Melanie Barber	Nathan Barber's mother
Lee Shockney	friend of Daryl Daugherty
Will Petty	grandson of Aline Lampley
Bill Shouse	Debbie Story's father
Sherry Stuart	Wade Lynn's sister
Edward Gasser	Wesley Burn's uncle
Eddie Hooper	nephew of Wayne Hooper
Jimmy Butner	son-in-law of Ruth Nicholson
Harriett Reed	mother of Denise Petty
James Tipton	friend
Ashley Lynn	Wade Lynn's daughter
Angie Dunnagan	Wayne Hooper's niece

## Continue to Remember in Prayer

### OUR MEMBERS

**Carol LeBlanc** **Sue Murphy**  
**Betty Caldwell** **Pamela Todd**  
**Janie Taylor** **Donna Wireman**  
**Larissa Dills** **Marlene Jackson**  
**Rusty Crick** **Barbara Pickard**  
**Larry Witherow**  
**Buddy & Brenda Driver**

### OTHERS

	<i>Relationship</i>
<b>Jo Corkan</b>	Peggy Heath's aunt
<b>Yvonne Smithson</b>	Wed. meal recipient
<b>Jean Majors &amp; Kit</b>	Wed. Meal recipient
<b>Norman Mayer</b>	Michelle Morris' brother
<b>Donna Lindsley</b>	Carol LeBlanc's friend
<b>Charles Gross</b>	Terry Gross's brother
<b>Kenneth Godwin</b>	Tim Godwin's brother
<b>Gavin Bowman</b>	Mandy Cocke's cousin
<b>Eulene Tanner</b>	Charlene Griffin's mother
<b>Joe Paone</b>	friend of Carol LaBlanc
<b>Alec Wagner</b>	Kurt Wagner's son
<b>Luke Bass</b>	Konni Sullivan's Grandson

## In the Nursing Home

**Olive Branch:** Dorothy Hunter, Freddie Weatherspoon, 110 Luther Rd, Dickson, TN 37055.

**NHC:** Marvine Johnson rm 400, Ouida Polk rm 300, Lisa Butler rm 408, 812 N. Charlotte St. Dickson

**Hillcrest Health Care Center:** Shirley Hamilton, 111 Pemberton Dr, Ashland City, TN 37015 .

**Belvedere Commons:** Judy Barfield, 303 S Royal Oaks Blvd, Franklin, TN 37064

**NHC Place at the TRACE:** Ruth Nicholson, rm 324, 8353 Hwy 100, Nashville, TN 37221

## Coming Events

**Men's breakfast  
 at Camp Leatherwood  
 on Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> .**



**8:00 am  
 We will have  
 breakfast, devotional,  
 and other activities.**

## WHAT GOD HATH PROMISED

God hath not promised  
 Skies always blue,  
 Flower-strewn pathways  
 All our lives through;

God hath not promised  
 Sun without rain,  
 Joy without sorrow,  
 Peace without pain.

But God hath promised  
 Strength for the day,  
 Rest for the labor,  
 Light for the way,

Grace for the trials,  
 Help from above,  
 Unfailing sympathy,  
 Undying Love.

Annie Johnson Flint

Everything which relates to God is infinite. We must therefore, while we keep our hearts humble, keep our aims high. Our highest services are indeed but finite, imperfect. But as God is unlimited in goodness. He should have our unlimited love.

Hannah More

**BRING 26 PEOPLE TO THE LORD IN 2026**

## JOY GROUP OUTING MARCH 3

Olive Garden @ Oprymills  
 Sign up sheet is in the foyer

"Dwelling on

negative thoughts

is like fertilizing weeds"

Norman Peale (Phil. 4:8)

## Thursday Ladies Bible Class

Thursday Ladies Bible Class had their monthly lunch after class last Thursday, Feb.12. Around 25 ladies meet in the basement classroom every Thursday morning from 10-11 am and they enjoy eating together (either in or out) on the first Thursday of the month. Five or six of these ladies come from another congregation and it's been great to form friendships. If you ladies are looking for something to do on Thursday mornings, come and join in our Bible Study.

