



# SOUTHSIDE

## CHURCH of CHRIST

### God's Way of Renewal (Ezra 1:1-11)

During the first month of 2024, we have been blessed to have heard a series of excellent messages in Sunday worship on spiritual renewal as our goal at Southside. In listening and contemplating these messages, I have gone back and studied Ezra 1: 1-11, in which after 70 years of Babylonian captivity, Cyrus, king of Persia, made a proclamation for the Jews to return to Jerusalem. Here is what Cyrus stated in Ezra 1:2:

“The Lord, the God of Heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth and has appointed me to build a temple for Him at Jerusalem in Judah. Any of His people among you may go up to Jerusalem in Judah, and build the temple of the Lord, the God of Israel, the God who is in Jerusalem, and may their God be with them. And in any locality where survivors may now be living, the people are to provide them with silver and gold, with goods and livestock, and with freewill offerings for the Temple of God in Jerusalem.”

The theme of Ezra 1 is: Spiritual renewal requires God’s great power working according to His gracious promises for His glorious purpose!

There are three (3) important points for us in this lesson:

1. God has His chastening purposes for dry times (the capture of the Jews by the J Babylonians because of their disobedience to God) and He has His gracious purposes for spiritually renewing His people.
2. Spiritual renewal requires God’s great power. God stirred up king Cyrus to make this dramatic proclamation, and He worked through Cyrus so that the Babylonian residents gave the Jews returning to Jerusalem silver, gold, goods, and cattle!
3. Spiritual renewal is for God’s glorious purpose. God’s purpose for the Jews was to manifest His glory through a rebuilt Temple where His restored people could worship him in spirit and in truth. God’s purpose today is the same: He wants to reveal His glory through a renewed people, who by their holy lives and through telling others about Jesus Christ, reveal His Savior, to all peoples and all nations in the world.

So, are we ready for God to produce spiritual renewal in our lives at Southside? It wasn’t an easy or comfortable road for the Jews to travel the 1,000 miles from Babylon to Jerusalem, but it was worth it! Let’s all pray to God for Him to use His great power to work through us so that His glorious purpose will be accomplished at Southside in 2024!

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**Sunday Services**  
 Bible School 9:00 AM  
 Worship 10:00 AM  
 Evening Worship  
 5:00 PM

**Wednesday Services**  
 Bible Class 6:30 PM

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**Welcome!**

If you are visiting with us today please feel free to participate. We will sing and pray to the Lord and express our adoration and thanksgiving for all the blessings He freely gives. We will have an offering this morning and we do not want our visitors to feel obligated in any way. There is a nursery located through the double doors located to the left of the pulpit. A children’s worship is provided for children ages 2 through 5 on the second floor which will be announced during our service. **Please turn your cell phone ringers off during our service.**

**Sunday Morning Worship  
 January 28, 2024**

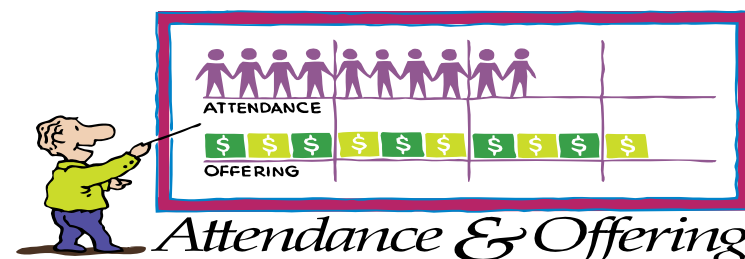
**9 AM—Bible School Classes**

**Basement—Adult Class—**Devotional Christianity Series—Tim Neal  
**Basement Classroom Adult Class—***The Book of John*—Tim Arvin  
**Auditorium Adult Class—***The 13 C’s of Successful Christian Living*—Tom Rogers  
**Ed. Bldg. Basement—Young Adult Class—**Rotating Teachers  
**Nursery and 1-year-old class—**Main Level  
**2 year old—6th grade —**Main Building Upstairs Classrooms  
**7th—12th grades—**Education Building Youth Room

**10 AM Service**

Song Director....David Howell  
 Opening Prayer.... Pete Harry  
 Preside at Communion . . . . . Freddy Farmer  
 Speaker..... Tim Neal  
 Sermon — *Renewal: A New Year’s Series (Ephesians 4:17-32)*  
 Dismissal Prayer .. . . . . Marvin Maxwell  
 Children’s Worship Teachers—Rick & Amy Wells  
 Helpers—Sadie Stuart and Wyatt Cook  
 Ushers—Bill Duvall and Gary Logan  
 Nursery Attendants—Amy Wells and Dana Gary

**No Sunday Evening Service**



**Attendance & Offering**

Last Sunday’s contribution—\$8,210.00  
 Weekly budget—\$8,504.00  
 Sunday school attendance last week—93  
 Worship service attendance last week—179

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**KINGDOM KIDS**  
 Southside Elementary Teacher  
 Schedule



**Happy Birthday!**



**Birthdays**

Tim Arvin	Jan. 30
Barbara Dixon	Jan. 30
Sophie Stuart	Jan. 30
Susan Rochelle	Feb. 2
Mike Kissner	Feb. 2
Melyssa Wadlington	Feb. 3
Collin Staley	Feb. 5

**Pray this week for:**

- January 29—McKenzie Kington
- January 30—Barbara Kissner
- January 31—Megan Kitchens
- February 1—Charlotte Kitchens
- February 2—Violet Kitchens
- February 3—Elsie Lancaster
- February 4—John Lancaster

# February

### Events

February 4 and 14—Lads to Leaders at 5 PM  
February 11—Elder/Deacon/Minister Meeting at 4 PM

### February Anniversaries

Jeff & Dawn Sisk—February 7  
Raymond & Elaine Perry—February 12  
Terry & Carla Dodson—February 17

### February Birthdays

February 2—Susan Rochelle and Mike Kissner  
February 3—Melyssa Wadlington  
February 5—Collin Staley  
February 6—Raylen Crump and Tammy Winters  
February 8—Eva Dougherty and John Duvall  
February 10—Garrett Berberovich and Mary Ann Moore  
February 14—Jimmy Stamps  
February 15—Wayne Finn and Betty Hayes  
February 16—Jonah Howell  
February 17—Maryanne Jo Wells  
February 19—Lisa Bridges  
February 23—Libby Cate Wood  
February 24—Brody Jenkins  
February 25—Heather Luttrull  
February 28—Georgia Perry and Ryan Staley  
February 29—Emma Perry

# SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 9TH

NEW PATHWAYS FOR CHILDREN TRIVIA NIGHT

BROADWAY CHURCH OF CHRIST IN PADUCAH

MORE INFORMATION TO COME!

# Thankyou

Thank you all so much for the beautiful flowers sent to the hospital when Dawson was born! We appreciate your thoughtfulness so much during this very special time in our lives! **Clayton & Katherine Baker**

Thank you just doesn't seem enough for the prayers, calls, texts and cards sent during my recent hospital stay. Thank you to Bro. Tim for the calls and prayers and to Bro. Fred Farmer for visiting after I got home. What a nice surprise when I came home to receive a snack basket with balloons. Thank you again, **Raymond Perry**

Thank you for the flowers sent to me following my recent kidney stone procedure. Your prayers, cards and calls were very much appreciated. **Shirley Oatts**

Thank you for the thoughtful gift card and delicious chocolates. Your kindness is so very appreciated! Thank you. **Terri Turner**



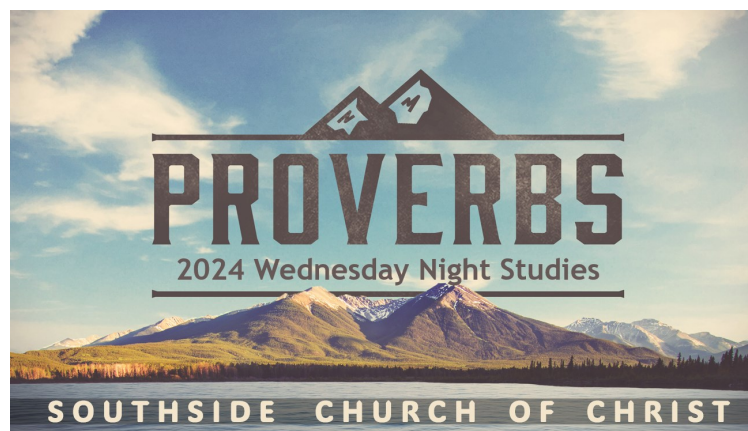
This afternoon at 2 PM.

## Elders Meeting

## THE LIBRARY CORNER

Did you know that there are two Church Library locations in our buildings? The original library is on the main floor of the Educational Building. Several sets of concordances and miscellaneous reference books are here. And located in the back hall of the main building near the Welcome Center is a nice collection of helpful books. The shelving and many of the books have been donated "In Memory of Natalie Young".

The "Book of the Week" is I believe Because by Batsell Barrett Baxter—A Study of the Evidence Supporting Christian Faith. Location – Main Building at 239 BAX. We all have someone close to us who does not believe. Perhaps this book could help you plant some seeds that our God would help grow into obedient faith!



Jan. 24th—Proverbs, Chapter 1  
Jan. 31st—Proverbs, Chapter 2

## Serving in February

### Ushers

John Collins and Cary Luttrull

### Serve Communion — February 4

**Preside** John Wheeler

Tim Arvin Bob Pickerill  
Greg Perry Lester Buckner  
Troy Scott Sam Wood  
Caleb Luttrull Cameron Farmer

### Serve Communion — February 11

**Preside** Pete Harry

Tommy Brooks Terry Dodson  
Bruce Jenkins Chris Gary  
Jay Zieg Peyton Crump  
Garrett Berberovich Brody Jenkins

### Serve Communion — February 18

**Preside** Ed Staley

Mike Dougherty Paul Ray  
Ricky Wells David Lassiter  
Wayne Gray Tyler Stallons  
Cohen Stallons Clayton Baker

### Serve Communion — February 25

**Preside** Freddy Farmer

Duane Moore Wes Parker  
Jimmy Stamps Seldon Dixon  
Jonathan Sink Jarod Perry  
Jonathan Neal Symichus Neal

**Nursery Attendants:** Lindsey Howell and Heather Luttrull

## Please be Praying for...

Joan Oatts continues to deal with health problems. John Lancaster is recovering from surgery and Veachel Martin is also recovering from surgery. Remember these also: **Randy and Christy Boren, Judy Batey Conley, Ann Brown, Bill Cornell, Betsy Dunn, Susan Edwards, Wayne Finn, Bettye Grogan, Hilda Hall, Ricky Hunt, Rocky Joiner, Elsie Lancaster, Barbara Moore, Kiran Sathees, Freddie Sweeney, David Turner, Lindah Winstead and James Young.**



### Lads to Leaders

Bible Bowl participants will meet today at 1 PM in the church basement.

## GREETERS SCHEDULE

Door 1—Mike & Cathy Dougherty  
Door 2—Freddy & Teresa Farmer  
Door 3—Marsha Garnett and Mary Anne Garnett  
Door 4—Chris & Dana Gary



## THE FAMILY OF Eva Dougherty

invites you to help us celebrate her 90th birthday on Saturday, February 10, from 1:30 to 3:00 PM at Southside Church of Christ in the basement of the Educational building. Your presence is your gift to Eva.