

# Munfordville Church of Christ

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## Urgent Needs in the Church Today

1. **More knocking on doors and less knocking on each other.** The great commission demands that we busy ourselves in taking the Gospel to others (Mark 16:15). The Bible says, “speak not evil one of another” (James 4:11). It is so much better to be busy doing good rather than evil.
2. **More sound heads and fewer sore heads.** Perhaps there has never been a time in the history of the church in which we have had a greater need for men sound in the faith and wise in judgment. Sometimes the voice of the wise goes unheeded and the voice of the foolish takes over. (I Kings 12:6-8)
3. **More open hearts and fewer open mouths.** All conduct proceeds from the heart. Prejudice closes the heart to a true consideration of the facts. If the heart was made right before the mouth was opened, most church problems locally and universally would cease to exist. (James 3:5, 6; Proverbs 26:20)
4. **More seed slinging and less mud slinging.** The task of sowing

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the seed of the kingdom is so great that it should leave no time for the slinging of mud at a brother. The fact that we have the whole world as our foe should draw us closer together. (Proverbs 18:24) There should be no division in the Lord’s camp (I Corinthians 1:10). One can never whitewash himself by slinging mud at another. He who tries gets his own hands dirty.

5. **More sacrifice of self and less sacrifice of others.** There are plenty of members of the church who are willing to sacrifice their other fellow— his talent, his time, his money, and even perhaps his reputation. Sacrifice should begin at home (Luke 9:23).
6. **More concern over direction than speed.** This is the jet and missile age. Speed is being enthroned and multitudes bow before it. But in the Lord’s work, the greater question is not, “How fast are we traveling?”, but rather, “Which way are we going?” (John 14:6; Matthew 7:13, 14). All speed is not progress. On the other hand, neither is standing still.

—Leroy Brownlow

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In Haggai 1:5, 6 we have recorded, <sup>5</sup>*Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.* <sup>6</sup>*Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.* Haggai was pointing out to his readers that their efforts in this life were futile because of their ways.

Many today are in this situation. They work hard to provide all the necessities of life, while shunning the laying up of treasures in Heaven. Their efforts are in vain because they are not living for Christ.

Make sure your efforts in this life are worthwhile. Live every day for Christ, thereby laying up eternal riches.

—Marty Edwards❖

# News

—Hallie Davidson is in the Hart County Health Care Center in Horse Cave. Continue to remember **Jean Coffee, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry**

—Shirley Parson has gone to White Sands, New Mexico for a few weeks to visit with her granddaughter, **Breanna Riffle**.

## \*\*\*Sunday Evening Time Change\*\*\*

—At least for the duration of standard time, we will be having our Sunday evening services at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday evening services will remain at 6:00 p.m.

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## The Wrong Way

In 2000 a Singapore Airlines jet crashed on a runway in Taiwan killing 81 people. The plane had attempted to take off on the wrong runway. This particular runway was under construction and had many obstacles on it.

The correct runway was along side the wrong one. No doubt, they both were very similar, but yet the differences caused destruction and great loss of life.

Consider how many people are following the Lord in this manner. They feel they are following correctly. The manner in which they are worshiping seems similar to what the Bible authorizes and teaches, but it is different. The differences will lead to spiritual death and everlasting destruction.

There was a way that seemed right to the pilot, but it lead to destruction. Proverbs 14:12 and 16:25 have nearly identical wording, *“There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof [are] the ways of death.”*

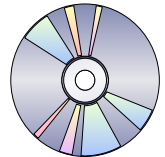
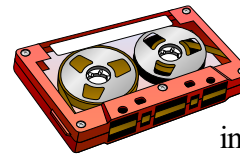
—Marty Edwards❖

Sunday, November 1, 2009		
Classes	9	Matthew 8:5-10
Preaching	23	Acts 10:1-43
Contribution	\$368.60	
Evening	16	Singing
Wednesday, November 4, 2009		
Classes	18	Exodus 38:1-31

## Bible Quiz

Aholiab was a cunning what?

Last Week's Answer— 390 days (Ezekiel 4:5)



—We are recording the audio of each service. If anyone is interested in a recording of any service, they are available on cassette or compact disk.

## —God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)