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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....7 p.m.

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WELCOME!

We of the Cambridge church of Christ
invite you to all our services.

"...the churches of Christ salute you" (Romans 16:16).

WHAT COULD BE WRONG?

Everything seemed to be going as planned but then the news came that the one we loved, the one who'd done so much for us and had been there at every turn, had just passed away. Oh! The shock; the heartbreak!

Now it was time to make the phone calls that nobody wants to receive and plan for the event nobody likes planning for. Our loved one was so popular; everybody always talked about how they loved our special one. There are going to be so many people; how will we ever accommodate them all. Who will take care of this, and that?

The time is getting close; I wonder where everybody is. There should be more here by now. Where are all the ones who said they loved this dear, departed one? Why aren't they here? Don't they know how important this is? The family needs them now more than ever. What could be wrong?

Imagine the preceding scenario. How heart-broken would you be if scarcely a handful of folks showed up to pay their respects to someone you loved? Somebody that seemed so popular and well-spoken of. The insult to injury would be astounding.

Now imagine how the Father must feel. Yes, our Father feels love when we worship Him in spirit and in truth (John 4:24), but He can also feel betrayal and neglect when He calls us to memorialize His only begotten Son and worship Him, but we decide we have more important things to do. Our Father created us and He knows our hearts and He knows why we are absent from the assembly of His church. He knows if we are too ill, and He also knows how we attempt to justify not meeting with the brethren and how we salve our consciences by rationalizing not going to church". Consider this; He knows why we need to assemble and

that is why He created within us an innate propensity to worship. We come together in the assembly to learn things (Matt. 28:20; 1 Pet. 2:2; Acts 20:28). Each Lord's Day we are afforded the opportunity to commune with God by taking part in the memorial supper that our Lord Himself instituted the very night He was betrayed and sold into the hands of wicked men (1 Cor. 11:23-26; Acts 20:7). Also, we sing and pray together to the God of Heaven for the great things he has done (Col. 3:16; Acts 2:42). This is also the time we can return thanks for our prosperity by giving a portion back to God through the church treasury for carrying on the works of the local church. Each of things are mandates from God, and not one of these is any less important than another—omit any one of these, and our obligation to God has not been met.

I would be remiss if I failed to remind of the joyful blessings we get from our joining together—having fellowship, one with another (1 John 1:7)—as we serve God Sunday morning, Sunday night, and Wednesday night: it builds us up (Acts 20:32); it helps keep us from being led astray (Eph. 4:14); it helps us to grow and teach others (2 Tim. 2:2); it makes us vital participants in the family of God (Rom. 12:5) and it provides us with opportunities to work and serve (Matt. 25:14-30).

Every life and death is worth remembering, for one reason or another. The life and death of our Lord Jesus Christ is an exceptional example because He lived perfectly, died vicariously and reigns eternally. Should we not assemble to remember, to study and to draw closer to Him at each opportunity? We have an assembly of Christians and friends here three times each week; we worship the same God each time. I urge you with my whole heart...what could be wrong?—*J&K*.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Jerry & Erma Endly, Mary Lou Huprich,
Gary & Debbie Jones, Verna Miller

SHUT-INS:

Audrey Burns, Flavil Miller, Jack Mitchell,
Shirley Patterson and Marge Rothwell

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Alec Blake (grandson of Wilma Roe), Weston Boulet, (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson, (**Larry Chips** (friend of the Starrett's, **Kenneth Crookshank** (son of Dannelle Gilmore), **Vickie Dillion** (Erma Endly's cousin), **Dan Doudna** (Wilma Roe's relative), **Bob & Patty Eddy**, **Tom Foster**, (JC Foster's grandfather), **Carmie Green** (Flavil Miller's sister), **Doris Hall**, **Herb Hamilton** (friend of the Starrett's), **Joshua Hetrick**, **Donna Henthorn** (Laura Jamiel's mother), **Collene Keister**, (Mo Smith's sister), **Scout Kirkland** (Deb McGath's great-nephew), **Erica Rich**, **Rita Roff**, **Mitch Vick**, and remember to pray for **one another**.

We encourage our visitors to please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in the collection plate.

- **Cathy Jackson** had a heart catheterization on the 9th and it was determined that no cardiac event had taken place.
- **John Smith** had a biopsy on January 10th and results are pending and prayers are requested.
- **Kedra Wyatt** had surgery on January 17th; her daughter **Brittney** had surgery on the 9th.
- **Bob Henthorn** (Laura Jamiel's father) suffered a heart attack recently and had a catheterization at *Genesis* on the 10th.
- **John Keith** had sinus surgery this past Thursday.

REMINDERS:

- ✓ ~~WORDWATCHER~~ will NOT meet tomorrow.
- ✓ **LAST DAY** -The *Guernsey County Right-to-Life* is once again taking up a collection for their signature ad in the *Sunday Jeffersonian*. Please fill out the requested information and place your donation in the white envelope on the table in the rear of the auditorium.
- ✓ **John needs submissions for his "Questions You Have Asked" series by Feb. 24th.**
- ✓ If anyone would like to take a turn creating a bulletin board for the entry way, please sign up on the board in the foyer.

TODAY'S LESSONS

Today we welcome **Charles Pugh III** who will be teaching our Bible class and speaking at both services.

<i>Bible Class</i>	<i>Sun A.M.</i>	<i>Sun. P.M.</i>	<i>Wed.</i>	<i>Collection</i>
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