



# West Side Window

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## Greetings from West Side

We hope you find us friendly and sincere in our wish to follow scripture and to profess the gospel of Christ. Though the mask mandate has changed, our Elders suggest that you wear a mask while here. Communion packets, contribution baskets and masks are placed at both double doors. Thank you for protecting yourself and others while we come together .



—Remember the area-wide singing scheduled at Lynn Church of Christ on July 18th, 6p

—Sessions at Camp Indogan continue this week and into July. You may register on-line

—You may find the newest edition of “Seek the Old Path” on the table

—Copies of “Leaders in Worship” for July are on the table

—See flyer from Fishinger and Kenny church of Christ on availability of college-age ministry



## Have You Earned Your Tomorrow?

Is anybody happier because you passed his way?  
Does anyone remember that you spoke to him today?  
This day is almost over, and its toiling time is through;

Is there anyone to utter now a kindly word of you?  
Did you give a cheerful greeting to the friend who came along?

Or a churlish sort of "Howdy" and then vanish in the throng?

Were you selfish pure and simple as you rushed along the way,

Or is someone mighty grateful for a deed you did today?

Can you say tonight, in parting with the day that's slipping fast,

That you helped a single brother of the many that you passed?

Is a single heart rejoicing over what you did or said;  
Does a man whose hopes were fading now with courage look ahead?

Did you waste the day, or lose it, was it well or sorely spent?

Did you leave a trail of kindness or a scar of discontent?

As you close your eyes in slumber do you think that God would say,

You have earned one more tomorrow by the work you did today? ---Edgar Guest

## Services

Sunday Morning Class  
9:30a

Worship: 10:30a  
(Also live-streamed)

**No Sunday Evening  
Service**

Wednesday Bible Study  
7p

### Preacher

Michael Gors

### Elders

Michael Gors

Gary Reynolds

Todd Stults

### Deacons

Don Allison  
Fellowship

Jim Clark  
Visitation

Lowell Huffman  
Media

### Those Whom

### We Support

#### MSOP

Cannon Taylor

#### INDIA

Bible Correspondence  
Course/ Bibles

## Leaders in Worship

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Announcements: Todd Stults

Song Leader: Don Allison

Opening Prayer: Jim Clark

Scripture: Bill Winemiller

Lord's Table: Gary Reynolds

Sermon: Mike Gors,

Closing Prayer: Richard Messer

Sound Room: Lowell Huffman

### Bible Study, June 30th

*Song Leader: Jacob Clark*

*Devo: Mike Gors*

*Prayer: Bill Winemiller*

## Remember Calls and Cards to Our Shut-ins

**Anna Funk**--Morrison  
Woods

**Joyce Popplewell** - Heritage  
in Yorktown

**Carl Gilstrap**--Albany Health  
Care

**Howard Latta**--Elmcroft As-

**“There is nothing  
wrong in having  
nothing to say as  
long as you  
don’t say  
it out  
loud.”**

## Putting the Kingdom First

In the middle of the greatest sermon ever preached, Jesus said to those who would follow him; “But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be added to you” (Matthew 6:33).

The kingdom of God must be first in a Christian’s life. Those who put the kingdom first are recognized by their actions. It is clearly seen by example:

--If the kingdom is first in one’s life, that person will stand up for truth, no matter what.

--If the kingdom is first in one’s life, that person will follow the Lord Jesus, not men.

--If the kingdom is first in one’s life, that person will put the needs of others before their own.

--If the kingdom is first in one’s life, that person will do their best to help build up the local congregation.

--If the kingdom is first in one’s life, that person will put the work of the kingdom first.

Obviously, the apostle Paul was one who put the kingdom first in his life (Philippians 2:19-22)) and he encouraged early Christians to be like him and put the kingdom first in their lives. (Philippians 3 :17-20).

Putting God’s kingdom first is not a choice or an opinion. It is a command, and it requires total commitment. Remember what Jesus said; “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me and who ever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life, for my sake, will find it (Matthew 10: 37-39).

How about you, are you putting the kingdom first?

Lupe Ruiz

## Compassion

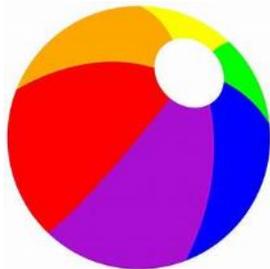
Jesus said to him, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me" (Matt.19:21).

Marquis de Lafayette was a French general and Politian who joined the American Revolution and became a friend of George Washington. An influential man in the US and France, Lafayette was also a man of compassion. The harvest of 1872 was a poor one but the manager of the estate had filled Lafayette's barns with wheat. "The bad harvest has raised the price of wheat," said the manager. "This is the time to sell." Lafayette thought of the hungry people in the villages and replied, "No, this is the time to give."

Real love is often about our willingness to let go of what we possess. Sometimes, the thing we grip most tightly is the very things God asks us to hand over to him.

Selected

## Happy Birthday



**Duane Latta--July 5**

**Richard Messer--July 10**

**Ainsley Fauquher--July 13, 2010**

**Carter Fauquher--July 14, 2005**

**Gary Reynolds--July 22**

**Cindy Traub--July 23**

**Rachel Hoyt Taylor--July 26**

**Joey Harper--July 27**

**Mike Gors--July 30**



## Please Pray for

**Alex Odle**, Cancer

**Angie Reed**, MS

**April Stinson**, Friend of Genny. Aggressive cancer which has spread

**Casey Robinson**, Surgery for thyroid removal this past week.

**Cliff Nicks**, Experienced heart difficulties last week and will see cardiologist in the coming two weeks. The surgery could involve either triple or quadruple heart by-pass. We will keep Cliff and Tammi in our hearts and prayers as they maneuver this difficult time.

**Gordon and Brenda Huffman**, Brenda had hip surgery this past Tuesday and is holding her own. Gordon remains hospitalized, also

**Danny Bayer**, Stage four cancer, undergoing chemo

**Don Ellis**, Brother in law of Bill Winemiller. Lung Cancer

**Joe Brewer**, Critically ill in IUBMH. Friend of Holly

**Kathy Harper**, Respiratory problems

**Mia Allison**, Recuperating from knee surgery

**Nick Hummel**, Cancer

**Paul Jones** called to ask for prayers for his friend, Karen, who is having back surgery in Indy. He is an acquaintance of Mike

**Susan Cloninger**, Will soon begin new round of five radiation treatments

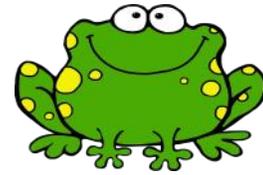
**Steve Stanley**, Cancer. Friend of Lowell and Charlene

**Tom Davis**, Lung cancer and recent stroke. Recuperating in IUBMH after emergency surgery

**Wanda Reed**



## A Man and Two Frogs



A man who had just purchased his first house in the country came into town and asked the owner of a restaurant if he could use a million frog legs. The proprietor asked where he could find so many frogs. "I've got a pond at home just full of them," the homeowner replied. "They drive me crazy night and day."

After they made an agreement for several hundred frogs, the farmer went back home. He returned a week later with two scrawny frogs and a sheepish grin on his face. "I guess I was wrong," he stammered. "There's just two frogs in the pond, but they sure were making a lot of noise!"

Application: We watch the news and think the whole world is as bad as the broadcasters portray it. Our neighbor runs down the government so much that we think that this is the worst possible country in which to live. If the weather outside is one degree above room temperature and the sun is shining, we say, "My, isn't it hot out?" If it is one degree below room temperature and slightly overcast, we say, "It's freezing outside!" We hear a few malcontents murmur about church members and we think the whole church is moments away from falling apart.

The next time you hear a lot of noise about how bad things are, just remember: it may be nothing more than a couple of chronic complainers who have little to do but grouch and croak!

Two things are at work here: 1) The complainers have too much time on their hands. The non-complainers are busy with life, bearing burdens and enjoying burdens. They are not speaking. They are busy! Often the only voice heard is that of the complainer. 2) We have the very human tendency to want to hear and believe the shocking, the ugly, and the tragic. Good news does not spur interest unless it benefits us directly.

Solution: Don't assume the worst when two scrawny frogs start croaking!

"Without wood, a fire will go out. And without gossip, quarreling will stop. Charcoal and wood keep a fire going. In the same way a quarrelsome person keeps an argument going" (Proverbs 26:20-21).

"The north wind brings rain. In the same way gossip brings angry looks. Hearing good news from a faraway place is like having a cool drink when you are tired" (Proverbs 25:23,25).

*Tim Woodward*

*Smithville, TN*

"...you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, having been built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone..."  
Ephesians 4: 19, 20

*"Incline your ear and hear the words of the wise, and apply your mind to my knowledge; for it will be pleasant if you keep them within you so that they are ready on your lips. So that your trust may be in the Lord..."*