



Vacation Bible School This Week

July 20-July 22 at 7:00 PM

Mark your calendars

This is the week all ages will meet to study God's Word, encourage the kids of the congregation and welcome visitors from the community. Plan on being here and being a vital part of this year's VBS.

Refreshments Served

Enjoy the youngsters, enjoy the fellowship, enjoy the opportunity to learn



Camp Indogan News

Lowell Huffman, who was co-director of last week's session at Camp Indogan reports that the campers and staff enjoyed a good week of both rain and sunshine. There were 60 kids and 23 staff members from various congregations and there were three baptisms among the campers.

Next session, which will involve West Side kids, is the fall rally which will be held Sept. 11 -13 with Paul Levasseur, Towne Acres, as the director.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Gary Reynolds—July 22
- Cindy Traub—July 23
- Jerry Hoyt—July 27
- Joey Harper—July 27
- Mike Gors—July 29

How to Get What you Want...

- If you want friends: be friendly
- If you want someone to smile: smile
- If you want courtesy: be courteous
- If you want knowledge: study
- If you want a good name: live right
- If you want to reap well: sow well
- If you want to go to heaven: live a Christian life

Attendance for the Week of July 12th

Sun. AM Bible Study	63
Sun. AM Worship	108
Sun. PM Worship	63
Wed. Bible Study	58

Food pantry items: cereal or oats

# West Side Window

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“Renewing Our Minds”

I haven't met anyone who doesn't want a good quality life. Yet, many fail to understand the quality of life is determined by the quality of our thinking. One can drastically change himself or herself by a change of the mind. The truth of God is the most powerful force for positive change in the world— but one must choose to be influenced by it. Christians are described as those “who were enlightened” (Hebrews 6:4). Even after obeying the gospel, we are constantly challenged or should I say, “Commanded” to renew our minds (Rom. 12:2).

Renewing our minds comes down to “being conformed” versus “being transformed”. Being conformed to the world is what a Christian will be if he does nothing—being transformed requires *conscious action* that produces a real change. We must have an understanding that conformity to the world is the “road” of least resistance. The truth is, many of us are more conformed to the world than we realize or are willing to admit. The wise Christian will be transforming his/her life to the Lord's way of thinking.

The Christian's transformation is the result of a renewed mind. This truly requires a *real radical inward* change in a person in order to live godly in this world. Mind = intellect + emotions + will is the equation we are dealing with. Each of these must be placed under the influence of truth. Spiritual mindedness as opposed to carnal mindedness will be achieved if this is our goal (Rom. 8:5-11, Eph. 4:17-24, 1 John 2:15-17). The Christian, at this point, will no longer view things or appraise them “according to the flesh” (2 Cor. 5:16).

The result: “Proving what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God”. To prove is to scrutinize or test to see if something is genuine upon trial: to judge worthy. A carnal minded person is a poor judge between right and wrong actions (Eph. 5:8-10, 17). As an analogy, would you consider a person who dislikes music to judge the better of two compositions? I wouldn't think so. The one who has been transformed by the renewing of his mind is not only better able to discern what God's will is, he can more properly appraise the excellence of it (Rom. 2:18, Phil 1:10). The one with the renewed mind learns much by actual experience in the living out of God's graciousness and truth (1 Peter 2:3, Job 42:5).

The transformed, renewed Christian life is proof that God's truth works, for our lives are a demonstration of truth, practicality and excellence of God's will, not ours.

The renewal of the Christian's mind is a continual daily process. For many, this transformation is difficult and painful but we must count the cost lest we fail, too. What we are after, essentially, is the mind of Christ (Phil. 12:5). May our treasure be in heaven, that our hearts may be there also (Matt. 6:21). May each of us set our affections on things above and not on things below (Col. 3:2). Jimmy Young

SERVICES

- Sunday Bible Study — 9:30 am
- Worship — 10:30 am & 6:00 pm
- Wed. Bible Study — 7:00 pm

MINISTER

Michael Gors

ELDERS

- Michael Gors
- Gary Reynolds
- Larry Reynolds
- Todd Stults

DEACONS

- Don Allison Fellowship
- Kendall Clark Benevolence

Jim Clark-Visitation

Lowell Huffman-Media

Volker Jaromin—Communication and Advertising

MISSION WORKS

Russia & India  
Mark Reynolds

Memphis School of Preaching

Ronnie Gootam

Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies

Preaching  
Caleb Taylor  
Jonah Stults

New Hampshire Laconia Church of Christ  
Shane Belanger

# WORSHIP FOR JULY 19, 2015

## MORNING WORSHIP

Announcements: Bill Winemiller

Song Leader: Don Allison

1st Prayer: Bill Smith

Scripture: Joe Reed

*Joshua 24:13-15*

Sermon: Mike Gors

*"I Will Serve the Lord"*

Closing Prayer: Jay Kellow

Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

## COMMUNION SERVERS

West Side- Outside: Sean Bobo

Inside: Volker Jaromin

East Side— Inside: Rex Harper

Outside: Steve Gors

## EVENING WORSHIP

Announcements: Bill Winemiller

Song Leader: Don Allison

Prayer: Howard Goodman

Scripture: Richard Messer

*1 Peter 2:4-9*

Sermon: Mike Gors

*"The Church"*

Communion Table: Rex Harper

Closing Prayer: Adam Gors

Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

## Group One Duties for July

—Greeters

—Building Lock-up for Sunday and Wed

—Communion Clean-up

—Communion Prep for July: Janet Messer

Group One Leaders: Chad & Jennifer Bobo

# Remember in Prayer

**Brandon Graves**, Brandon's Grandfather has been taken off life support. Brandon is the son-in-law of Jerry & Maria Hoyt.

**Brett Allison**, Released from BMH on Tuesday evening. Much improved after surgery, with much improved blood count and is eating regular food.

**Christian Lewis**, nephew of Sally. Christian, who has only one kidney, has undiagnosed renal issue

**Chuck Flickinger and daughter, Anna**, Family of Betty Smith

**Dave Porter**, Stage 4 cancer. Friend of Gail Parker

**Debby Newell**, Esophageal cancer. Mother of Brandon Britton.

**Emily Peterson**, Bethany Allison's room mate. Emily's mother was killed in an auto accident

**Herb & Betty Smith**

**Janie Miller**, Mike's aunt & his mother, Marty's, sister. Diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Has begun chemo therapy

**Jeremy Fortner**, Advanced colon cancer which has invaded his lungs. Has begun chemo. Jeremy is the 41 year old nephew of Kendall Clark.

**Jim Zachary**, Tom Davis' nephew. Cancer of Duodenum. Had extensive surgery in Indianapolis last Tuesday. Begins chemo in 10 days.

**Jim Hoover**, steadily losing weight and persistent dizziness

**Linda Bigler**, Brain cancer. Awaiting further surgery

**Mason Wolfe**, died on July 10th as a result of a car accident. He was the friend and school mate of Skylar.

**Mike Bayer**, Continues to struggle since most recent heart attack

**Patricia Zachary**, Tom Davis' sister, cancer of lung and brain

**Sandra Crawford**, Cancer. Wife of Kendal Clark's friend

**Laura Spaulding**, Breast cancer. Scheduled for chemo and radiation. Co-worker of Genny Stults

## Our Shut-ins: Remember them with prayer, cards & visits

Evelyn Vannatter—Elmcroft

Forrest Hurst—Elmcroft

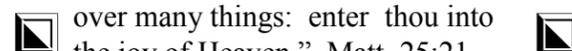
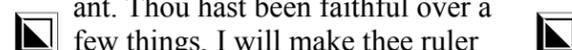
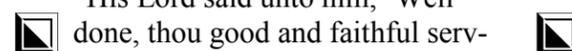
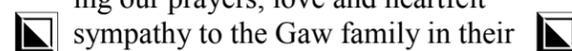
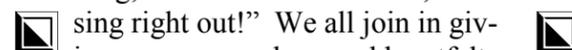
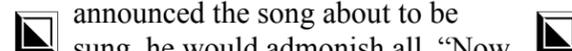
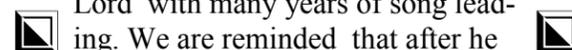
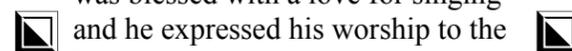
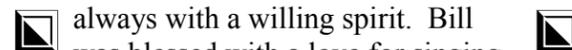
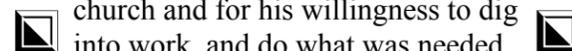
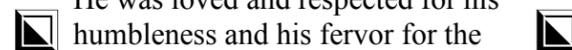
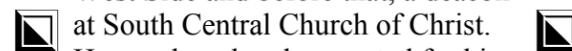
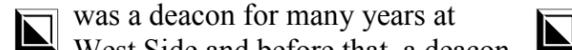
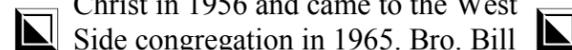
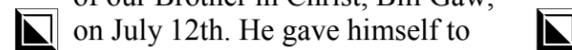
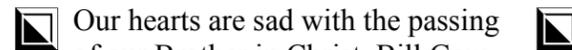
Jim & Marylou Witty—At home

Lana Blanchard—Albany Health Care

Vada Zeek—Willow Bend



### A Voice Stilled...



Our hearts are sad with the passing of our Brother in Christ, Bill Gaw, on July 12th. He gave himself to Christ in 1956 and came to the West Side congregation in 1965. Bro. Bill was a deacon for many years at West Side and before that, a deacon at South Central Church of Christ. He was loved and respected for his humbleness and his fervor for the church and for his willingness to dig into work and do what was needed, always with a willing spirit. Bill was blessed with a love for singing and he expressed his worship to the Lord with many years of song leading. We are reminded that after he announced the song about to be sung, he would admonish all, "Now sing right out!" We all join in giving our prayers, love and heartfelt sympathy to the Gaw family in their time of loss.

"His Lord said unto him, 'Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of Heaven.'" Matt. 25:21



## Today on July 19th

After morning worship, Teacher's Meeting, Please come if you have an interest in teaching, plan on teaching or wish to be a part of this weekly endeavor in any way

3:30, Elder and Deacon meeting at the building

## Looking Ahead

**July 21**, 8a, Men's breakfast, at IHOP

**July 21**, 10a, Women's breakfast, at IHOP

**July 20-22nd**, West Side's Vacation Bible School, 7p

**July 30**, Ladies Deep Bible Study, 7p

**July 30**, College & High School Devo at Towne Acres, 7p

**August 9-13**, Gospel Meeting at Cloverdale, IN. with Mark Reynolds as the speaker. See flyer posted on board.

**August 15**, Group One Carry-in at the Richard & Janet Messer home. Please bring a box of Kleenex and a container of Clorox Disinfectant Wipes (yellow lid & wrapper). These donations will be given to Yorktown Elementary School from West Side.

**Sept. 4-6**, West Side Marriage Retreat at Shipshewana, IN for two nights. Open registration. See further Info on bulletin board or see Todd or Genny.

## In Sympathy

Our sympathy and prayers go out to the Hoyt/Potter Family in the loss of their cousin and nephew's wife, Debby Potter. Debby died on July 15th in Muncie after a short fight against melanoma. Funeral service was held this past Friday.