

SERVICE SCHEDULE for June 8, 2014

Announcements for the Week Andy Dobbs
Morning Service
Prayer- Phillip Dorn
Song Leader- Marshall Irvin Fuller
Communion:
 -- **Comments** – Dan Buselmeier
 -- **Assisting** – Jay Dobbs
 -- **Assisting** – Kevin Criswell
 -- **Assisting** – Justin Carr
 -- **Assisting** – Todd Hudson
 -- **Scripture** – Conner LaChappelle
Closing Prayer- David Fuller
Evening Service
Prayer- Andy Fuller
Song Leader- Dan Buselmeier
Comments – Marshall Irvin
Communion – Mark Jones
Scripture – J. Maxwell Irvin
Closing Prayer- Jay Dobbs
Wednesday Night – June 11, 2014
First Prayer- Marshall Foxworthy
Song Leader – Don Casper
Invitation – Mike Shepherd
Closing Prayer – Cliff Davis
June 22 Evening Service: Curran LaChappelle
June 29 Evening Congregational Prayer Meeting

Upcoming Assignments

June	Communion	Cleaning
15	Dobbs	Mcllvain, Ferrell, Criswell, Tucker, Davis
22	Land	Johnson, Baker, Goddard, Land

Family Bible Week

Family Bible Week begins next Sunday. Everything seems to be falling into place. The only variable that we can't control is who will be showing up. Please don't be one of the "Great Escapers"!

Ladies Bible Study

The ladies will be taking a Summer hiatus and will resume the bible class starting on Monday, September 15. Now is the time to concentrate on Family Bible Week. "Great Escapes"



Schedule of Services

Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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Deacons: John Paul Baker, Doug Davidson, Andy Fuller,

Marshall Irvin, Jason LaChappelle

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Family Bible Week 2014

Covington Church of Christ

9441 Bypass Road

Monday thru Friday

June 16 – June 20

7:00 PM

Great Escapes:

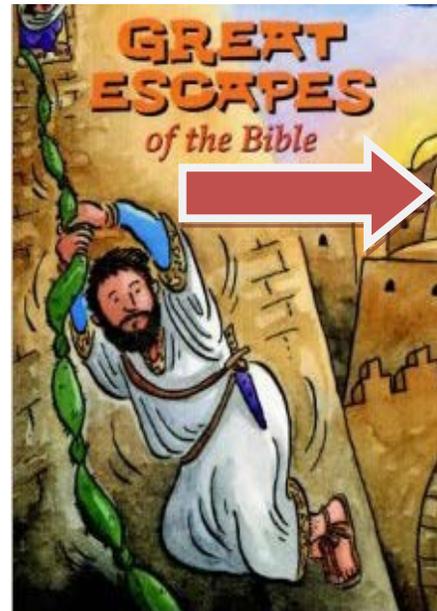
Monday -- Noah and his family escape a mighty flood.

Tuesday -- Israelites escape from terrible slavery in Egypt.

Wednesday -- Daniel escapes from a den of lions.

Thursday -- Jesus makes the ultimate Great Escape.

Friday -- Paul and Silas escape from Prison.



Come Every Night & Bring Your Friends!



[“No Ma’am I Won’t Ever!”](#)

By Mike Riley

The following borrowed story is designed to make us “think” about how we as Christians should accept people different than ourselves into our assemblies. Brethren, let us never be guilty of the sin of partiality as illustrated in this story:

I saw him in the church building for the first time last Wednesday evening. He was in his mid 70s with silver hair and a neat brown suit. Several friends had talked to him about the Lord and had tried to share the Good News of Christ with him. He was a well-respected, honest man with so many characteristics a Christian should have, but he had never put on Christ in baptism. A few years ago, I asked him, after finishing a pleasant day of visiting and talking, “Have you ever been to a church service in your life?” He hesitated, then with a bitter smile he told me of a childhood experience some sixty years ago.

He was one of many children in a large impoverished family. His parents had struggled to provide food, with little left for clothing. When he was about ten, some neighbors invited him to worship with them. The Bible class had been very exciting. He had never heard such songs and stories before. He had never heard anyone read from the Bible before. After class was over, the teacher took him aside and said, “Son, please don’t come again dressed as you are now. We want to look our best when we come worship the Lord.” He stood in his ragged, unpatched overalls, looked at his bare, dirty feet and said, “No ma’am, I won’t ever!” And he never did.

There must have been other factors to have hardened him so, but this one experience formed a significant part of the bitterness in his heart. I’m sure the Bible teacher meant well, but what if she had studied and accepted the teachings found in the second chapter of James? What if she had put her arms around that dirty, ragged little boy and said, “Son, I’m so glad you are here, and I hope you will come every chance you get to hear more about Jesus!” What a difference that statement would have made in this little boy’s life!

I pray that I might ever be open to the tenderness of a child’s heart, and that I might never fail to see beyond the appearance and behavior of a child to the eternal possibilities within. Yes, I saw him in the church house for the first time last Wednesday evening.

As I looked at that immaculately dressed old gentleman lying in his casket, I thought of the little boy of long ago. I could almost hear him saying, “No ma’am, I won’t ever!” and I wept.

“My brethren, do not hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with partiality. For if there should come into your assembly a man with gold rings, in fine apparel, and there should also come in a poor man in filthy clothes, and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say to him, ‘You sit here in a good place,’ and say to the poor man, ‘You stand there,’ or, ‘Sit here at my footstool’, have you not shown partiality among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brethren: Has God not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him?” (James 2:1-5 – NKJV)



[Judging In Ignorance](#)

By David Maxson

“Behold, this we have searched out; it is true. Hear, and know it for your good.” [Job 5:27]

If there's anything we learn from the book of Job, it's what NOT to say when someone is going through suffering.

It's so frustrating listening in to these conversations. Job's friends are merciless in their attack on his character. Their assumption, of course, is that God is in control of all things (which He is) and thus if someone is suffering it must be the result of sin.

But we know better. The beginning of this book removes all doubt about Job's righteousness and God's evaluation of him.

What do I learn from Job's friends? I learn that there is a lot I don't know. I learn that when someone is going through a hard time I should be careful about judging them. I learn that it's probably best to just listen and comfort instead doing a lot of talking and dispensing ignorant advice.

Let's try to comfort those who are suffering with the understanding that we don't know the real cause of their suffering in most circumstances.

