

**Restoration:** John Richardson son of Don and Barbara Richardson was restored Tuesday May the 3<sup>rd</sup> at IU Hospital in Bloomington room 5015, having repented of his sins and praying for forgiveness, He would appreciate the prayers of the church.

**Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:**

Gloria Hale is in the Heartstone rehab center, near Bloomington, Room 617.  
Mike Parnell's sister, Brenda has cancer.  
Charlie Henard's mother suffers from Alzheimer's in Tennessee.  
Charlie Henard's sister recently had both hips replaced.  
Karen Sproles is still suffering with problems in her knee.  
Iris Hash is being treated for stomach, nasal and back problems.  
Ken and Sherrie Roosa's son-in-law, Darrell Grimes is enrolled in a clinical trial treatment program for his cancer in Nashville, TN.  
Ken Roosa's friend and a member at the Shelbyville Rd. Church of Christ, Gary Short, has been diagnosed with terminal cancer.  
Ray & Liz Sturgill's neighbor's granddaughter, Kyleigh Mabie, has terminal brain cancer.  
John Richardson is in IU Hospital in Bloomington recovering from sepsatis and back surgery.

**Pray For Our Shut-ins:**

Gloria Hale, Karen Sproles, Iris Hash,

**Pray For The Mission Works We Are Supporting:**

John Grubb (Mission work in Asia)  
Daniel Goshorn and family (Mission work in Peru) (Scheduled to move to Peru June 3<sup>rd</sup>)

**Ladies' Community Outreach Work:**

The ladies of the congregation will be donating items on a monthly basis for the Morgan County Department of Child Services (DCS) and to the local women's shelter. For the month of May, the item to be donated is coffee. If you would like to support this work, please bring this in throughout the month so they can be delivered at month's end.

**Summer Gospel Meeting:**

Our summer gospel meeting will be held June 10-12. Our speaker will be former Morgan St. gospel preacher Randall Jones who currently preaches at the Richardsville, KY Church of Christ. Services will be held at 7 PM on Friday and Saturday evenings. Following the Sunday morning service there will be a pitch-in dinner followed by a 1 PM service to conclude the meeting. Please pray for our meeting.

**Radio Program:**

Please remember to tune in every Sunday morning at 8:00 AM to WCBK 102.3 to hear our radio program which is entitled: "Preparing For Eternity".

**God's Plan For Our Salvation:**

1. Hearing the word of God (Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32).
2. **Believing** what is taught (Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6).
3. **Repentance** (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30).
4. **Confession** (Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37).
5. **Baptism** (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; I Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4).
6. **Faithful Christian Living**, after the above five steps (I Peter 2:11, 12; Rev. 2:10).

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***MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST***

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**Schedule of Services:**

**Sunday**

Bible Study – 9:30 AM  
Worship – 10:30 AM  
Evening Service - 6:00

**Wednesday**

Bible Study – 6:00 PM

**Thursday**

Ladies Bible Study – 11:00 AM

**Radio Program:**

“Preparing For Eternity”  
Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

**Website:**

[www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org](http://www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org)

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

## BUY THE TRUTH AND SELL IT NOT

Remember, how Pontius Pilate the Roman governor responded to our Lord and Savior's statement concerning truth? Pilate said, "...What is truth?..." and then walked away, as if to say, that this question cannot be answered, because one cannot really know the truth (John 18:37,38). Currently, there is a widely held view, called "progressive revelation," which advocates, that truth can change depending on various circumstances and the different cultures all throughout the world. This is but a new robe on an old false philosophy, which states that truth is subjective and relative. In other words, those who uphold "progressive revelation," are implying, that one cannot really know truth, since it becomes a matter of opinion, which is what Pilate implied in the first century. To be of the same mindset as Pilate, the postmodernists, the progressives, and all those who believe, that there is no absolute truth, is to be without the following: Answers to life's most important questions; A moral compass to guide us in this life; Grace and Knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ; Knowledge of how to live the best life possible; And knowledge of how to prepare for eternity, which is to obey the truth!

Jesus our Lord and Savior, the Only Begotten Son of God, said to those disciples who believed on Him, "...If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:31,32). Not only can we know the truth, but when we obey the gospel of Christ, then we are made free from our sins by the blood of Christ (Rom. 6:17,18; Acts 22:16; Rev. 1:5). By knowing the truth, there are other things from which we are made free: We are no longer deceived by all the false philosophies of man, such as humanism. We know that the hypothesis of evolution can never be proven as fact, because we are created in the image of God. And we are not fooled by those claiming to have physic powers, nor those claiming to have the ability to tell fortunes. We know that astrology is a hoax, as are all superstitions. And, we know that there are no modern day revelations from God since The Holy Bible instructs us in "...all things that pertain unto life and godliness,..." (2 Pet. 1:3) . (See 2 Tim. 3:15-17)

Notice, what the inspired apostle Peter wrote to fellow Christians, who had obeyed the gospel of Christ: "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently: Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you" (1 Pet. 1:22-25). Let us not be deceived, but understand that, **TRUTH IS ABSOLUTE, OBJECTIVE, AND DOES NOT CHANGE!** Therefore, we should, "Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding" (Prov. 23:23).

And notice what the inspired apostle Paul wrote to the church of Christ in Ephesus: "This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus" (Eph. 4:17-21):

What is our attitude toward the truth? If we do not really love the truth, how can we say that we love the Lord (John 14:15)? What happens when we compromise the truth? We no longer have the truth! Do we know the truth? Have we obeyed the truth? Let us never forget, that without Christ, we cannot have the truth – "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6).

Bob Hawkins