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<b>Sunday AM Bible Study</b>	9:30 AM
<b>Sunday AM Worship</b>	10:30 AM
<b>Sunday PM Worship</b>	5:30 PM
<b>Wednesday Bible Class</b>	7:00 PM

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## Welcome

The Pippin church of Christ extends to you a cordial welcome. We hope the services have been uplifting, and you will want to return at every opportunity.

Our purpose in meeting is to worship God in Spirit and in truth. God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and Truth. John 4:24

## How to Become a Christian

Hear the Word - Romans 10:17  
Believe - Mark 16:15  
Repent of Past Sins - Luke 13:3  
Confess - Romans 10:9  
Be Baptized - Acts 2:38  
Remain Faithful - Revelation 2:10

## Radio Programs

The Lord's Way  
AM 920 WLIV - Tuesdays @ 10:10AM

A Challenge to Think  
AM 1400 WHUB - Sundays @ 9:05AM

## For the Record, Week of 11/6/16

<b>Sunday Class</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Sunday AM</b>	<b>105</b>
<b>Sunday PM</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>66</b>

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## "Preach, but Leave Others Alone"

*Hoyt H. Houchen (Excerpts)*

The above caption not only represents the thinking of a great majority of people in the denominations, but unfortunately it reflects the attitude of some of our own brethren. It involves the idea that we should preach only what is agreeable to everyone, avoiding anything of a controversial nature.

First of all, it is impossible to preach the truth and leave other people alone. It does not matter what subject a gospel preacher may select, it will contradict the belief of somebody. For instance, suppose that I should decide to preach on the subject of God. In that sermon I point out that there is but one God and no other. I point out the attributes of God, showing the characteristics of God as taught in the Bible. That sermon would meet the approval of many people who are not even members of the church of Christ. But are we so naive as to believe that it would meet the approval of everyone? It certainly would not leave the atheist alone and it would not be agreeable to the man from China whose ancestors have worshipped idols for hundreds of years.

But suppose that I should decide to preach on the subject of Christ. I go to the word of God and prove His virgin birth, His divinity, His pure and sinless life, His example for us to follow, and the authority of His teaching. This sermon too would meet the approval of many who are not even Christians. But even that kind of preaching would not be agreeable to the orthodox Jew who rejects Christ as the Messiah. Are we to cease preaching Christ because it offends the Jew?

But now I decide to preach on baptism. I simply preach what the New Testament says about it. I quote such passages as Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Galatians 3:27 and 1 Peter 3:21. However, when I do this I am not leaving a good majority of religious people alone. A good part of the denominational world would not be in agreement with my preaching on baptism because a good part of the denominational world denies the essentiality of baptism as a condition of salvation. Should I refrain from preaching on baptism because it does not leave others alone?

We cannot preach and leave other people alone in the first place, and in the second place God does not expect us to do so. Paul wrote in Galatians 1:10, "*For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? or am I striving to please men? If I were still pleasing men, I should not be a servant of Christ.*" Just before this, Paul had said in verses 6 and 7: "*I marvel that ye are so quickly removing from him that called you in the grace of Christ unto a different gospel; which is not another gospel only there are some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.*" No doubt this statement did not take well with those false teachers in Galatia, but Paul did not leave them alone. He preached the truth regardless feeling.

Let a preacher oppose mixed swimming, immodest dress, dancing, or preach on the present-day issues facing the church,... or call denominational names and some of the brethren will accuse him of being a "hobbyist" and they will charge him with being "too hard."

Jesus Christ did not leave others alone and neither must we. He said to His disciples in Matthew 16:6, "*Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees.*" The entire 23rd chapter of the book of Matthew is a denunciation of the teaching of the Pharisees.

Most people, including some of our brethren, do not know what it means to preach the truth in love. If we know the truth and love the truth, we shall want it preached regardless of whom it may offend. To preach the truth in love means to preach the truth in love of the truth and in love for those who hear it. Paul asked in Galatians 4:16, "*So then am I become your enemy, by telling you the truth?*" People must know the difference between truth and error so that they may be saved from their sins. Many are sincere, but wrong; many are honest, but they are misled. It is only when error is pointed out to people that they will know to leave error.

Gospel preachers must not submit to the advice of denominationalists and uninformed brethren who cry, "Preach, but leave others alone." The matter of how we are to preach was decided a long while ago by the word of God. May faithful gospel preachers continue to "*preach the word; be urgent in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.*" (2 Tim. 4:2).

## SERMON TOPICS

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Morning	<b>Overcoming Sin</b>	1 Peter 1:22
Evening	<b>Things Impossible</b>	Hebrews 11:6

## PRAYER LIST

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**BETH BROWN** - sister of Sherry Scott, recently had multiple surgeries at Vanderbilt for blood clots and other complications. She is now at home recovering.

**JAMES FRIZZELL** - continues to deal with health issues.

**WANDA FRIZZELL** - recently fell and hurt her ankle.

**THOSE BATTLING ONGOING HEALTH ISSUES** - Burt Montgomery (co-worker of Josh Lawson), Cathy Phillips (cousin of Geneva Smallwood), Debbie Hensley (daughter of Vestle Hensley), Herbie Fox (nephew of Geneva Smallwood), Karma Carter (wife of Jonathan Carter, nephew of Denise York), Marie Eckel, Pam Heidel (friend of Betty Boswell)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### November 22 - Thanksgiving Mid-Week Bible Study Change

The mid-week Bible study for the week of Thanksgiving week will be moved to Tuesday night, November 22.

### November 18 - Tennessee Bible College Open House

You are invited to open house at Tennessee Bible College (1616 McCulley Road, Cookeville) Friday, November 18 at 4pm. Graduation to follow at 7pm. Celebrating 41 years of Christian education.

### Electronic Bulletins

If you are interested in receiving an electronic copy of the bulletin prior to Sunday via email, you can sign up at [www.pippincoc.com](http://www.pippincoc.com) and enter your email address in the box on the right of the page.

### Bulletin Updates

The bulletin is a great communication tool. If you have updates, additions or removals of sick please let Adam or Amy Swallows know so we can make the appropriate updates and changes.

### Service Schedule Updates & Changes

If you would like to be added or removed from the monthly work schedule, please let Adam or Amy Swallows know.

## All Month - November

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<b>Table</b>	Lester Boles
<b>Table Assist</b>	Adam Swallows Joe Brown Matt Donegan Mike Martin

### Sunday AM Worship

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<b>Announcements</b>	Gary Medley
<b>Lead Singing</b>	Jonathan Medley
<b>Read Scripture</b>	James Scott
<b>First Prayer</b>	Eddie Frizzell
<b>Last Prayer</b>	Mike Martin
<b>Greet at Door</b>	Gary & Amy Medley
<b>Slide Production</b>	Joe Brown

### Sunday PM Worship

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<b>Announcements</b>	Gary Medley
<b>Lead Singing</b>	Jonathan Medley
<b>Read Scripture</b>	Andrew Scott
<b>First Prayer</b>	Bill Martin
<b>Last Prayer</b>	Greg Frizzell
<b>Slide Production</b>	Joe Brown

### Wednesday Bible Class

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<b>Announcements</b>	Gary Medley
<b>Lead Singing</b>	Jonathan Medley
<b>Read Scripture</b>	Dennis Chaffin
<b>First Prayer</b>	Matt Donegan
<b>Last Prayer</b>	Larry Jackson
<b>Slide Production</b>	Joe Brown

### Happy Birthday

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Mason Lawson	11/18
Joey Frizzell	11/25
Joe Brown	11/27
Betty Martin	11/27

### Happy Anniversary

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Lester & Rhonda Boles	11/26
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### Daily Bible Reading

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Daniel 8-10; Philemon	11/13
Daniel 11-12; 1 Timothy 1	11/14
Psalm 137; Ezekiel 1-2; 1 Timothy 2	11/15
Ezekiel 3-4; 1 Timothy 3	11/16
Ezekiel 5-7; 1 Timothy 4	11/17
Ezekiel 8-10; 1 Timothy 5	11/18
Ezekiel 11-13; 1 Timothy 6	11/19

### Question for the Week

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What was the nationality of the warrior Goliath?

### Answer to Previous Question

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What three constellations (groups of stars) are mentioned in scripture in one verse?

Arcturus, Orion, Pleiades; Job 9:9