

# SPREADING THE LIGHT OF JESUS



BY LOVING ONE  
ANOTHER AND  
GLORIFYING GOD

JOHN 13:34-35 & MATTHEW 28:19-20

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**Morning Worship**  
***September 14, 2025 @ 11:00 AM***  
***Sunday Morning Service***

Opening Greeting and Prayer

Fred LeMaster

Call to Worship

Choir

**"My Feet Are On The Rock"**

**Duet: Jason & Erica Pounds**

Welcome

Baptisms

Congregational Worship

**"Cornerstone"**

**"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

Offertory Prayer

**Pre-K to 2nd Grade dismiss for Children's Church**

Offering

Lois Rowe, Organist

Mary Alice Richesin, Pianist

Message

Pastor Jason Pounds

**Enter the Kingdom (Part 2):**  
***Two Gates, Two Trees, Two Builders***

Response

**"Firm Foundation"**

Postlude

Lois Rowe, Organist

Mary Alice Richesin, Pianist

## **Enter the Kingdom (Part 2):**

*Two Gates, Two Trees, Two Builders*

**On the last day, many who claim to follow Christ will discover they never belonged to Him. Therefore, every professing Christian should examine their life to determine if they are on the narrow path.**

### **The Danger of Spiritual Deception**

#### **1. Two Gates (7:13-14)**

*We gravitate toward that which is easy and popular.*

#### **2. Two Trees (7:15-20)**

*We can profess publicly what we do not possess personally.*

#### **3. Two Builders (7:24-27)**

*We assume salvation without biblical foundation.*

## **Deacon Nominees for 2025/2026**



Brian Bean



Tony Carroll



Stephen Powers



Josh Ramsey



Gabe Russell



## September Birthdays



- 14 Ryleigh Whitaker~235 Adkins Rd.  
Philadelphia, 37846
- 15 Sharron Ingram~1463 Highway 68, Sweetwater
- 15 Matt Loomis~718 Old HWY 68, Sweetwater
- 15 Tinslee Whitaker~235 Adkins Rd., Philadelphia, 37846
- 15 Lester Kyle~126 Gaut Ave., Sweetwater
- 16 Corkey Whitlock~110 Plemons Rd., Sweetwater
- 16 Daniel Rogers~2296 Euchee Rd. Ten Mile, 37880
- 17 Jamey Ogles~213 Lance Rd., Sweetwater
- 17 Angie Roy~307 Dogwood Trail, Sweetwater
- 18 Nicole Ridley~508 N Price Street, Sweetwater
- 19 Danny Pardue~417 Ashbury Cir., Sweetwater
- 19 Billy Richesin~432 Old Athens Pike, Sweetwater
- 20 Leah Carroll~708 W Morris St., Sweetwater

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## September Anniversaries

- 14 Joe & Sue Anderson~104 Runyon Rd., Sweetwater
- 17 Ken & Sheila Stuart~111 County Road 111, Athens  
37303
- 27 Mike & Karen Skaggs~2131 Kiser Rd., Philadelphia  
37846
- 30 Tommy & June Latham~215 County Road 293,  
Philadelphia 37846



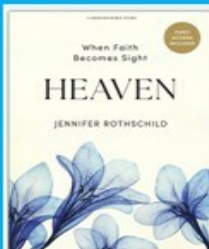
**September 17th**

**Bacon/Sausage, Scrambled Eggs,  
Gravy & Biscuits, Fried Potatoes &  
Fried Apples**

**Kids Option: Waffles**

**\$7.00 Adults & Youth, \$3.00 K-6th Grade**

***Meals for 1st time Guest are free!***



***New Tuesday Morning Women's Study***

**Tuesday, September 9th, 2025  
@ 10:30 am**

**We will be studying Jennifer Rothschild's new study on Heaven. Dispel myths and media-influenced images of heaven to gain a biblical understanding! Please sign-up at the Connect Center.**



**September 17 - Inside Out &  
Backwards Night**

**September 24 - Awana Market Night  
for Sparks/T&T**

**October 1 - Awana Market Night  
for Cubbies/Puggles**

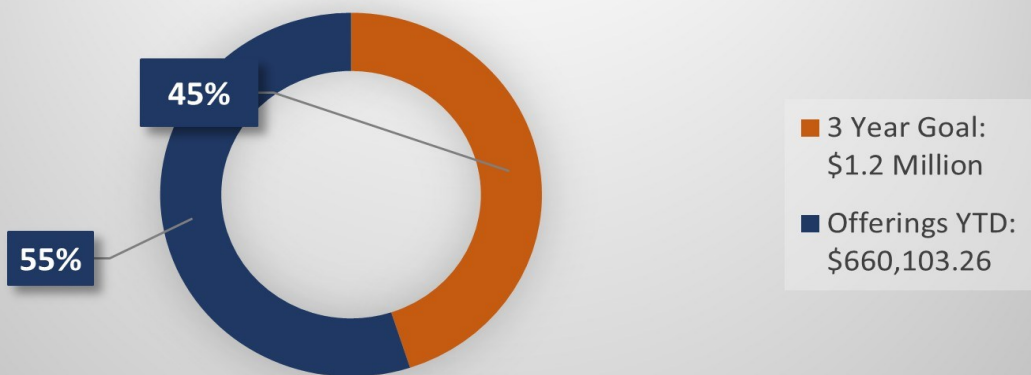
**October 8 - Camo & Can Night  
(Wear camo clothing & bring a  
canned good for Blessing Box)**



# FINISH THE Vision

## Offerings Year to Date

09/07/2025



## Desserts For Renew



Are needed on Monday nights at 6:00 pm, **please have desserts to church by 5:30 pm.** Please sign-up at the connect center. Any questions, contact Loretta Napier @ 423-999-0947.





**Sunday, September 21, 2025**  
**@ Noon following Morning**  
**Worship in the Fellowship Hall**

**Please RSVP by September 15th to**  
**the Church Office (423-337-3533)**  
**if you would like to attend.**



Kitchen dishwashing volunteers needed on Wednesdays.

Volunteers must be 18 years old or older.

Please sign-up at the Connect Center for **SOME** or **EVERY** Wednesday!

**Shifts needed:**

**3:00-5:00 pm**

**&**

**5:00-6:30 pm**

Please call Loretta @ 423-999-0947 or sign up at the Connect Center.

NIGHT OF WORSHIP & PRAYER

# WORTHY



Sunday, September 28th 6:30 PM

A photograph of a dark-colored mug filled with coffee, sitting on a rustic wooden table. Next to the mug is an open book, likely a Bible, with its pages slightly blurred. The background is softly out of focus, showing what appears to be a church interior with pews.

## Men's *Prayer* Breakfast

**Sunday, October 5th**

**@ 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. All  
men are invited!**





## **Men's Ministry - Camping Trip**

**October 10 – 11, 2025**

Men and boys of all ages are welcome to join us for a time of fellowship, games, and fun on our new property. We will begin setting up Friday afternoon and plan on departure Saturday afternoon. Bring your tents or small RV, chairs, and outdoor games. Porta Potty's and Hand Cleaning Station will be onsite. Sign Up Sheet in the Vestibule.

### **Friday (after 3 pm)**

- Setup Camp
- Dinner - Hotdogs & Hamburgers
- Exploring the Property with a short hike
- Campfire and Smores
- Singing around the Campfire
- Fellowship
- Stargazing

### **Saturday**

- Breakfast – Sausage Eggs Bacon
- Scavenger Hunt for the kids
- Fellowship
- Departure around noon

**PLEASE INVITE SOMEONE THAT DOES NOT REGULARLY  
ATTEND CHURCH.**





# Men's Ministry Clay Shoot Event





**Calling All Men & Boys – Ready, Aim, Fellowship!**


Youth Welcome – Must be able to hold gun on own comfortably (Eye and Ear Protection Required), Parent or Guardian required.

 **Date:** October 18, 2025

 **Time:** 10:00 am


 **Location:** Iron Mountain Sporting Clays - 410 Hardin Rd, Kodak, TN 37764

 **Cost:** \$0.50 per Clay, Golf Cart \$25, Shotgun Rental \$20, Box Shells \$13

 **Register by:** October 3, 2025

**Bring:** Your shotgun (Rentals Available), Ammunition, safety gear, and a friend!

**Note:** Limited loaner equipment available – Golf Cart, Gun Rental

 **Sign up today!**

Contact Daryl West at (423) 271-7181 or sign up in the Church Vestibule.



“As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.” – Proverbs 27:17

Let's aim for fellowship, fun, and a whole lot of clay dust!

## Offering for September 7, 2025

Sunday School	164
Morning Worship	263
Weekly Budget Needs	\$14,682.49
Regular Budget Offerings (09/07/2025)	\$18,157.10
FTV Offerings (09/07/2025)	\$5,911.25

### *Weekly Workers– September 14, 2025*

Deacon on call: Fred LeMaster 304-264-1775

Security: Team 3

Sunday School Nursery: Christie Hicks

Service Time Nursery: Andy, Nikki & Emory Edgemon,  
Jessica Hall, Matt & Kayce Loomis

Children's Church: Madisyn & Kailyn Vestal

### *Weekly Workers– September 21, 2025*

Deacon on call: Daryl West 423-271-7181

Security: Team 4

Sunday School Nursery: Tammy Russell

Service Time Nursery: Wendy Duncan, Kay Bettis, Emily  
Roy, Jennifer Hicks, Tracy McCann, Carrie Byers

Children's Church: Emory Edgemon and Tennessee

### *Homebound Encouragement* September 14, 2025

*Betty Parks*  
114 Heuer Street  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

*Linda Phillips*  
Sweetwater Nursing Center  
978 HWY 11 S Rm#12  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

## *The Week Ahead*

### **Sunday, September 14, 2025**

- 8:00 am Deacon Meeting
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Worship Service
- 4:30 pm Garage Guys
- 5:00 pm Adult Choir
- 5:00 pm Children's Missions

### **Monday, September 15, 2025**

- 6:00 pm ReNew Recovery in F.H.

### **Tuesday, September 16, 2025**

- 10:30 am Tuesday Morning Women's Study

### **Wednesday, September 17, 2025**

- 11:00 am Mid-Week Bible Study
- 4:45 pm Wednesday Night Meals
- 5:30 pm Children's Choir (1st-5th grade)
- 5:45 pm Prodigies/PreK & Kind. Choir
- 6:15 pm Awana Clubs
- 6:30 pm Men & Women Bible Studies
- 6:30 pm YOUTH

### **Thursday, September 18, 2025**

- 12:00 pm Fellowship Hall Reserved

### **Saturday, September 20, 2025**

- 12:00 pm Fellowship Hall Reserved

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