

# *Gandy Church of Christ*

May 13, 2018

## *Worship With Us!*

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### *Sunday*

Morning Bible Class.....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

### *Wednesday*

Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.



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#### **WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?**

1. Hear the Gospel – Romans 10:17
2. Believe the Gospel – Mark 16:15-16
3. Repent of Sins – Acts 17:30
4. Confess Christ – Romans 10:9, 10
5. Be Baptized – Acts 2:38

#### **HOW DO I KEEP FROM FALLING?**

1. Read your Bible daily – 2 Tim. 2:15
2. Add to your faith the seven Christian Graces – 2 Peter 1:5-11
3. Attend every service – Acts 20:7, Heb. 10:25
4. Be faithful unto death – Rev. 2:10

*A special Welcome to all of our guests today!  
We are glad you are here.  
If you would like a Bible Study in your home,  
please contact our elders.*

*Don't forget to fill up the SUNSHINE BASKET!*



## **SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER**

- May 13- No Sunday fellowship meal, Happy Mother's Day!
- May 13- No Second Sunday singing.
- May 14-18—Searching the Scriptures with County Line, 12:45 p.m. daily, WDXE -(1370 AM).
- May 27- Combined Evening Services at Crewstown

### ***FRIDAY NIGHT SINGINGS 7:00 p.m.***

*May 4—Bethel, Cullieoka, TN*

*May 11—Loretto, Loretto, TN*

*May 18—Totty's Bend, Duck River, TN*

*May 25—County Line, Lawrenceburg, TN*



### ***Birthdays MAY***

- 3- MJ & Caitlin Leighton
- 4- Ruth Toungette
- 5-Billy Shaffer
- 13- Nick Pandelos
- 16- Pam Lowery
- 18- Gary & Trudie Bailey
- 19- Anita Gobble
- 20- Bill & Cindy Francis
- 25- Terry & Su Bailey
- 25- Christina Francis
- 26- Rick & Luann Sellers
- 26-Ray & Ruth Toungette
- 26- Pete Moore
- 26- Brad Gobble



### ***\*\*\*\*\* Announcements: BILLY SHAFFER \*\*\*\*\****

WEEK / Pantry Items	READING	HEAD TABLE	PASS TRAYS	PRAYER
May 13 Green Peas	Billy Shaffer	Phillip Gattis	Pete Moore Bobby Lowery Ray Toungette	Opening: Sam Slater Closing: Billy Shaffer
May 20 Spage ttio's	MJ Leighton	Billy Shaffer	Charles Smith Terry Bailey Donnie Vandiver	Opening: Gary Bailey Closing: Jim Shaffer
May 27 Canned Apples	Jim Shaffer	Gary Bailey	Roy Shaffer Stacey Story Charles Luker	Opening: Barry Gobble Closing: Phillip Gattis

# The Greatest Love

Today is Mother's Day in America. This day has been set aside, and rightly so, for the special recognition of motherhood and every precious thing it entails. It is a day when children of all ages should reflect on the deep love shown to them by their mother. The love children have for their mother will be returned in various ways, viz., in phone calls, flowers, cards, dinners, and gifts of all sorts. These will be offered up to show in a small way how much a mother's love is appreciated and not taken for granted.

It has been stated numerous times that a mother's love for her child/children is the greatest love known to the human race, that its even unique. As far as human relationships are concerned, such statements are true. But as great as a mother's love is, it is *not the greatest love* of all time. That is unquestionably the love God demonstrated for a lost world in sending His only begotten Son to die for hope of it's salvation, (Jn.3:16).

Note the differences between a mother's love and God's love:

**MOTHERS SOMETIMES DISMISS SINS IN THEIR CHILDREN'S LIVES.** No one is as tolerant and patient as a mother. But sometimes this is to her own detriment if her tolerance and patience tacitly condones her children's sins. But this was *not* the Father's reaction toward sin. If sin could be glossed over and dismissed, He certainly would have done so. This would have spared Him the horrendous grief in sending Jesus to die on a cruel cross. The Giver of the greatest love, knew that the greatest sacrifice was called for to confront and conquer the greatest affront - sin. Only the *greatest love* could meet this crucial need.

**MOTHERS SOMETIMES SIN THEMSELVES.** It seems a bit harsh and unnatural for anyone who has a good mother to admit this. But the very best of us, mothers included, have all committed sin (Rom.3:10; 23; 1Jn.8,10). Sin is anything but an act of love toward God, or anyone else. It is a frontal assault toward Him whether we agree or not, (Ps.51:4). Yes, even good mothers sin. This is why Jesus died - *to save them!* Here is an example of the Giver of the *greatest love* reaching out to save the very one who is often praised for having the greatest love. Even a mother's love is not great enough to save a single soul, (Jn.1:29, 1Tim.2:6).

**MOTHERS SACRIFICE MUCH - BUT IT IS INSUFFICIENT.** Mothers have walked through fire to save their children. Any good mother would gladly die in order for her children to live. But would a mother die for anyone's children? In most cases, no. But God sent His Son to die for *all people*. Not only that, but when they were unlovable, Christ died for them, (Lk.23:34, Rom.5:8). He did so to preserve them from the eternal and unquenchable fires of hell, (Mk.9:44ff, Jude 23). **The Greatest Love Is God's Love!**

# Prayer Requests



Mary Bowden is having health issues.  
Aaron Stooksberry has been in a severe car accident.  
Sandra Gowen has COPD and is under Hospice care.  
Auvin Roberts will begin cancer treatment.  
Ivanell Murdock has been sick at home this past week.  
Steve Lowery has been diagnosed with cancer.  
Joe Overnack is in Vanerbilt Hospital with health issues.  
Elsie Slater is having cancer treatments along with blood transfusions.  
James Smith has not been feeling well.  
Patricia Luellen has a brain tumor, (Trudie Bailey's cousin).  
Roy Shaffer is having back problems.

## Continuing in Prayer:

Delene Taylor (back surgery), Dianna Kelly, Thelma McCloud (rehab), Shirley Kilburn, Pam Smith (rehab), Becky Leonard (rehab), Van Slater, (rehab), Chris Craig (paralyzed), Greg Slater (cancer), Frank Baker (cancer), Donnie Russell, Judy Smith (cancer), Mary Bowden (cancer), Donnie Jones, Gina Wilson (cancer), Valeria Painter (cancer), Luke Gowen, Patricia Chapman (cancer), Mavis Johnston, Viola Green (NHC Brink), Judy Vandiver, Thomas Wesley, Kellie Rodgers, Earline Price, John Dryden (cancer), James Smith, Bill Gobble, Ruth Byrd, Lolamae Sides, Jimmy & Lind Taylor, Ms. Ayers, Raymond & Faye Weeks, Elsie Slater, Larry Jones, Robbie Guthrie, Maggie Sue Johnston, Ruth Bryant (Country Cottage).

**In Sympathy: The family of Tony Peterson and Mary Gordon.**

## Wednesday Night June Summer Series at Gandy

7:00 p.m.



## Speakers

Larry Murdock  
James Barnes  
Jerry Taylor  
Phillip Goad