

# Glory to God

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Michael Rasnake  
Ren Rice  
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Sundays 10 am and 6 pm;  
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## Some Thoughts I'd Like to Share – by Tim Hall

### “In Pursuit Of Clean Hands”

News stories about the H1N1 virus have accomplished one thing: Sales of hand sanitizers are up. It's hard to find a public place without a station for free squirts of alcohol-based hand gel. (We even have a bottle of the stuff on our Welcome Center counter.)

FoxNews.com recently raised a good question: “Do hand sanitizers work?” I began reading the article expecting to learn that there was no basis in fact for the practice. As it turns out, however, hand sanitizers do a pretty good job in eliminating germs. They're not as effective as washing with soap and water, but that's assuming one washes for a full 20 seconds and does a thorough job. If you're not that thorough, then hand sanitizers are a good second choice.

If you want to maintain good health, keeping your hands clean must be a top priority.

David spoke about having clean hands, but his thoughts were not on his physical hands. After being delivered from his enemies, he stated: “The Lord rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands He has recompensed me” (2 Samuel 22:21). Most will quickly realize that David had his spiritual condition in mind.

If David's formula is true, that would mean that having dirty hands – having sins on our accounts – will stand between us and God. David was convinced of that concept; he wrote of it again in Psalm 24:3,4: “Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who has not lifted up his soul to an idol.” If our hands aren't clean we won't be able to come into God's presence.

But who can claim to have clean hands? Are we not all sinners in God's sight? Yes, Romans 3:23 makes that point clearly. Jesus, however, has done something to help us with our unclean condition. John began the Apocalypse by writing about Jesus, “... the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood” (Revelation 1:5).

Those who have been washed in the blood of Jesus must be careful to keep their hands clean. That's what Paul meant in 1 Timothy 2:8: “I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.” Instead of emphasizing a physical act of lifting up one's hands while praying, Paul was urging us all to keep our hands clean. If our hands are dirty, will God hear our prayers?

**LET'S PRAY FOR:** Austin Doyle, concussion in football practice; Jan Bennett, shoulder injury in recent fall; Ruth Melton, pneumonia (she is now living at NCH Healthcare); Louise Clites, knee replacement surgery 11/9; Kevin Noah, recent surgery; Alison Gilliam; Dave Torgerson; Monteen Forrester; Nell Phillips; Allen Jackson; Janet Looney; Margaret Sams; Max Bare; Marty Smith; Arlene Kellum; Joyce Hall; Peggy Phillips; Jack Brewer; John Melton; Betty Hamilton; Carol Briggs; Della Edwards; Carolyn Smith; Gladys Keene; Flora Broskey; Phyllis Haire; James Carden, Sr.; Sherrell Shepard; Karen Stevens; Phil Enkema; Gay Carr; Velma Stables. **PRAISE GOD! John Melton's visit to Duke last week showed no sign of cancer!**  
**FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Haley Grace Parks, toddler niece of former Central member Apryl Hall, possible cancer; Abbi Lapsch, Danica Collins' roommate at Milligan, broken back and other fractures from a fall while hiking; Pat Kidd, Shea Lowe's sister, possible cancer; Barney Hoefer; Grace Oaks; Bill King; Joyce McCartt; Joan Cox; Benny Laws; Nancy Laws; Angela Perry; Verda Smith; Montie Lyons; Sam Bish; Louise Blevins; Allen Bagents.

**SERVING OUR COUNTRY:** Chad Pickens, Eli & Mitzi Mitchell, Joseph & Holly Gilliam, Air Force; Joshua Vaughn, Zachary Taylor, Navy; Steve Warren, Jeremy Cutshall, Army; Mike Witten, Devin Stephens, Afghanistan; Steve Haywood, Army Reserves; Dustin Humphreys, Marine Reserves; Jared Wheeler, Thomas Young, Brandon King, James Baker, Iraq.

BRITTANY LOBOS, who recently placed membership with us along with her husband Marcos, will leave Tuesday for Fort Jackson, SC for basic training in the Army.

"IN SEARCH of the Lord's Way", 7:30 a.m. Sundays, Fox; 8:00 a.m. "Biblical Viewpoints", 8:30 "TV Sunday School" WJHL.

PUT A CROSS over your name in the Friendship Register if you read the Bible at least 5 days. Last week:

PLEASE SIGN the yellow sheet if you plan to attend Monday Night for the Master tomorrow night.

"KIDS AND CANS" – Kids, remember to bring a can of food for the pantry each Sunday and Wednesday and drop off in the old pantry! Thank you!

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY to submit a Prayer Warriors form for your child.

SEEDS FOR HAITI: Please bring seed packets that we will send to an orphanage in Haiti for their food garden. Any vegetable seeds would be appreciated. Please leave in the box in the old foyer.

THERE ARE 25 new books on the shelves in the Children's Library! Check it out!

COATS FOR KIDS! Please bring in gently used or new winter coats which will be distributed to children who need them. Scarves, hats and gloves can be used, too. Please leave them in the wooden container in the old foyer.

ORNAMENT EXCHANGE PARTY, 12/7. Volunteers are needed to decorate a table. See the bulletin board beside the adult library in the old foyer to sign up to set a table for 6 in any way you like! Call Margaret Sams or Kathy Higginbotham.

RECOGNIZING OUR VETERANS: Wednesday, November 11 is Veteran's Day, and we want to recognize those among us who have served in the armed forces. Please get information to the church office by Wednesday of which branch of service you served in, your dates of service and the rank you achieved. We will pass along this recognition in next Sunday's bulletin.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help with our audio/video equipment. We especially need those with some experience in operating sound boards, recording equipment and / or computer projection, but training will be given to those without experience. If you're interested, see John Doyle or Mike Higginbotham as soon as possible.

CENTRAL CELEBRITY: Melanie Salyers, who has worshiped with us in recent months with her family, will appear on "Daytime Tri-Cities" this Thursday at 10:00 a.m. on WJHL-TV. As owner of Miss Melanie's Tea Room, she will discuss Thanksgiving cooking tips with Chef Scott Phillips.

ON NOVEMBER 15, there will be a college meal and a program presented by a representative of LifeBread, Inc., the mission group with which Katie Gilliam went to Africa last year. Also, following services that night, there will be a report in the fellowship hall by Katie on her trip.

SYDNEY WITHERPOON is selling fruit for the band. Please place orders TODAY!

LADIES INSPIRATION DAY: 11/7, Sevierville Church of Christ, Nancy Daniels, Jane Washington, speakers. Please RSVP to 865.453.8009.

FUN OPPORTUNITY! Regina Collins is looking for volunteers who could go approximately once a month to Cherry Haven for a few hours to bake, watch movies, do crafts, or just take a walk with Joanna and Laura, the young ladies living there. See Regina if you would like to do this. Thanks!

PANTRY ITEMS: **Canned fruit, toothpaste.** Please leave outside the office door or by the pantry. Thank you!

A NEW REPORT from World Christian Broadcasting is on the board by the library.

BIBLICAL VIEWPOINTS LECTURESHIP starts today at the Elizabethton Church of Christ, and you should plan to attend one or more of the sessions. Information is on the bulletin board beside the library. We will be taking the church van to the Tuesday night session to hear David Pharr. Speak to Tim Hall if you'd like to come along.

ALSO, THERE IS a gospel meeting at the Limestone church with guest speaker Holger Neubauer running 11/8-12.

AREA SINGING – today, 2:30, Mountain View, Bluff City

OUR DEEP SYMPATHY goes out to Thurman and Marie Dye on the death of Thurman's aunt, Billie Dye. Also, we were sad to learn of the recent death of Mary Lou Cooper's brother, Rollin Chase. And our sympathy also goes to the family and friends of Candy Phillips, who passed away recently following a massive stroke.

"THANK ALL OF YOU for remembering Mother with the beautiful flowers. The church meant so much to her. My children and I deeply appreciate all you did to make Mom's celebration of life services so meaningful. It is so comforting to know that there are such kind and compassionate people here for us. Gratefully, Mike James"

STILL LOOKING FOR PHOTOS: You may have noticed some nice photos taken by various Central members on our projection screen. We want to show yours, too. Get with Tim Hall right away to discuss sharing your nice shots.

THE VANCES' new address is 470 Bill West Rd., Limestone 37681.

OOPS! We just learned that we missed an important birthday! Alyssa Arnold celebrated on October 19! Happy late birthday, Alyssa!

BIRTHDAYS: Doug Booton, Lily Hutchinson (today); Dennis Vonderfecht, David Torgerson (Mon.); Dave Torgerson (Tues.); Luanne Hoilman (Wed.); Laura Bowman, Juanita Mathes, Andrea Payne (Thurs.); Kathy Higginbotham (Fri.); Jennifer Hanson (Sat.). ANNIVERSARIES: Bob & Margaret Sams (today); Dave & Gay Clark (Fri.).

# YOUTH & COLLEGE NEWS 11.01.09

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

*“YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD...”- MATT 5:14*



## YOUTH GROUP

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*Be planning for these activities!*

- Next Week! Youth Devo @ in the fellowship hall after evening services.
- Wednesday Night Dinner Date- 5:30 @Pizza Hut!
- Area Wide Youth Gathering November 15<sup>th</sup>! Here!

## COLLEGE GROUP

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- It's hard to believe there are only a few devotionals left for 2009! Make sure you are at 7:08 Tuesday night to hear Ted Ford explain how being clothed with Christ is "All in the Walk".
- Backpacking trip this weekend. We'll leave the College House at 3:30 on Friday!
- Mark your calendars for our Winter Retreat December 18-20!

## S.O.S (SATURDAY OF SERVICE)

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- We'll be having a Saturday of Service on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. We'll be offering clothes, cleaning supplies and food to people who are in need. We'll need lots of help the day of S.O.S. and in the week before. We also need you to start bringing in the following items:
  - Any clean usable clothes can be placed downstairs by the elevator.
  - Cleaning supplies packets will include: 1 bar of soap, 1 roll of paper towels, 4-roll pack of toilet paper, 1 bottle of shampoo, 1 stick of deodorant, 1 bottle of laundry detergent, 1 bottle of dish detergent, 1 multi-purpose cleaner.
  - Food packets will include: 2 cans green beans, 2 cans corn, 2 cans peas, 2 boxes mac & cheese, 1 can beans, 1 can fruit, 1 box cereal, 1 bad of cookies, 2 cans of tuna, 2 cans of soup.

**November 1, 2009**

**Sunday Morning:**

Contact Doug Booton if unable to serve

**Song Leader:** *Matthew Mahaley*

**Next Week:** *Joe Pugh*

**Prayer:** *David Crockett*

**Next Week:** *David Erickson*

**Scripture:** *Tom Reeves*

**Next Week:** *Bruce Barnett*

**Sermon:** *Tim Hall*

**Topic:** *"Many Roads – Or One?"*

**Dismissal:** *John McKinnis*

**Next Week:** *Mike Sheridan*

**Lord's Supper,**

**Presiding:** *Calvin Crim*

**Next Week:** *Mark Stayer*

**Serving:** *Alan Hutchinson, Roger*

*Witherspoon, Phil Pierce, Brandon*

*Moreland, Brandon Quesinberry, Jacob*

*Davis, Jim Bob Moore, Luke Whitted, Rick*

*Farmer, Ty Slatton, Dave Arnold, Jason*

*Faddis, Jerry Pierce, Dylan Vantine, Zak*

*Bisner, Ron Whitson*

**Children's Training Class:** *the Gilliams*

**Nursery:** *Linda Moore*

**Toddler:** *Leslie Lyons*

**Assistant:** *Renzey Rice*

**Wednesday Evening:**

**Song Leader:** *Services conducted by the young men of the congregation*

**Sunday Evening:**

**Song Leader:** *Clay Bailey*

**Prayer:** *Ron Elliott*

**Scripture:**

**Sermon:** *Song Service*

**Topic:**

**Dismissal:** *John Doyle*

**Lord's Supper:** *Andrew McCormick, Terry Billingsby*

**Nursery & Toddler:** *Carol Trent*

**For November:**

**Communion Prep:** *Roger & Louise Clites (contact the Shepards, 477-2278, if unable)*

**Cup Pick-up:** *2<sup>nd</sup> graders*

**Emergency Food:** *Charlotte Chapman*

**Baptistery:** *Bonnie Franklin, Violet Yates*

**Report from Last Week**

**Classes 168; A.M. 402; P.M. 180; Wed. 246**

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