



GLENDALE ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST NEWS & NOTES

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Jesus and Nicodemus

The result of the signs Jesus did (John 2:23) was drawing the attention of an influential Jewish leader. Nicodemus is a Pharisee and ruler of the Jews (John 3:1). Corroborating evidence demonstrates that the name was common in Palestine at this time. Despite Pharisees often appearing as opponents of Jesus, Nicodemus and a few others were more amenable to him. Coming to Jesus at night has caused a lot of speculation. Maybe he wanted a private audience or was afraid to be seen with him. We don't know, and we're not told. Nicodemus addresses Jesus respectfully and cannot deny the signs he has performed. Still, it would appear he is approaching Jesus on behalf of some group ("we" in v. 2). When Jesus replies, he uses the plural "you" in verses 7 and 11–12.

Jesus' answer isn't altogether best translated into English Bibles. It should say "born from above" or "born anew" rather than "born again." Jesus is pointing to a heavenly birth, but Nicodemus envisions only the natural birth a mother gives to a child. Being born of water and Spirit entails baptism (1 Cor. 6:11; 12:13; Titus 3:5). This is the most quoted baptismal passage from second-century Christian literature. Plus, baptism has occupied portions of chapter 1 (vv. 24–34), and John mentions the Spirit in conjunction with baptism at Christ's immersion. The contrast between natural and spiritual birth has already been highlighted in 1:12–13.

The conversion language is taken from Ezekiel 36:25–27, where water and spirit work to cleanse the heart and achieve inner transformation. Gentile converts to Judaism were regarded as newborn children. "And the legal status of a convert who just converted is like that of a child just born" (*b. Yebam.* 22a). "A convert who just converted is like a child just born" (*b. Yebam.* 48b). Here we have the connection between conversion and infancy in Jewish law. The spirit associated with water in Ezekiel 36 was symbolized as the wind in Ezekiel 37.

Nicodemus, an established and recognizable teacher, fails to understand. The earthly things are water and wind, and the heavenly things are rebirth from above by the Spirit. Therefore, heaven can only give divine wisdom—the Spirit (1:32–33), angels (1:51), and the Son of Man (3:13). Yet it's the Son of Man who will be lifted, as the serpent in the wilderness, so that all who believe may have eternal life (cf. 1:4). Each time you see "believe" or one of its cognates, think "faith," or "trust" as I much prefer. It's the same term translated as faith used here as belief.

–Steven

Elder Selection Schedule

Through April 13th – There will be Elder nomination forms available when you leave the auditorium.

March 30th – Steven will preach on the requirements of being an Elder.

April 13th – PM Service – Deadline for turning in Elder nomination forms.

April 14th-15th – Elders will meet and gather form information and compile a list of prospective Elders. The Elders will use the next 20 days to talk to the men chosen as prospective Elders.

May 4th – Specific names will be presented to the congregation as possible additional Elders. These men will have had contact with the current Elders as to their qualifications and willingness to serve. Members have one week to submit written and signed reasons as to why someone should not serve as an Elder.

May 11th – The final day for Glendale Road members to express in writing and sign any objections they may have as to why any of the men whose names have been submitted to the congregation should not serve as Elders.

May 18th – Tentative date to appoint additional Elders.

WORSHIP—Sunday AM: 9:00 Sunday PM: 6:00

CLASSES—Sunday AM: 10:15 Wednesday PM: 6:30

RADIO—Sunday AM: 9:00-10:00 Sunday PM: 6:00-7:00—WVHM FM 89.7

DAILY RADIO—Monday-Friday 6:25 & 7:25 am—FM 89.7

ANNOUNCEMENT LINE – (270) 759-4444

THE GLENDALE FAMILY

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COLLEGE & YOUNG-N-HEARTS



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MARCH 27th, 2025 - Young N Hearts Class @ 10:30am. Please invite a friend to join us! 😊

SPECIAL REQUEST: We are **looking for anyone willing to serve on our COOKING TEAMS.** We have Cooking Team leaders, but we need additional help on these teams. If you would like to know more about serving, **please see Melody Higgins** or **Faye Ward.** ****Special Note... You do NOT have to be present to serve on a team.**



MARCH 26th, 2025 - C20 Class @ 6:30pm - Topic: What Is Most Important? 😊

MARCH 30th, 2025 - C20 Class @ 10am - Topic: **The Beatitudes** Mt. 5:5

Monday Meals - Please check your date and remember your day to come eat with us!

Next C20 Service: 4/13/25 or 4/27/25

Library

E. Bailey

Helping The Singers # 3

Most of the long-established hymns and gospel songs that Churches of Christ have sung for generations were not written with *a cappella* singing in mind. This largely explains why some of these beloved songs have duet parts, usually alto & soprano, that often seem weak,

Some examples from our hymnbook include ***Ivory Palaces* (#896), *Lead Me Gently Home, Father* (#823), *O Heart Bowed Down With Sorrow* (# 932) as well as ***Whispering Hope* (#497).****

Some more recent books published for *a cappella* churches have made an effort to add full four-part voices to these previously duet sections.

One hymn that has undergone several adaptations over the years and which appears in a variety of musical arrangements is ***Whispering Hope*** which, in our book has Alton Howard's full four-part harmony all the way thru. As a former song leader, this is a great help to our churches. More about *Soft as the Voice of an Angel*" next time.

YOUTH

Jacob Vaughan

We will be taking our highschoolers on a mission trip this summer to **Honduras** from June 25th – July 2nd. You will need to be obtaining a passport asap for those that are participating with this mission. Sign ups have been taken down and we officially have 22 making the trip. More information will be shared with those going at a later time. Thank you all.

Bible Bowl is here. We are studying the first 12 chapters of John. Please join our youth in our studies as we try to get to know our Lord a little better each day. This week we will be covering chapter 11 with the middle and high schoolers.

Let's Go to Camp! Western Kentucky Youth Camp (WKYC). Registration for this summer's sessions has begun. Many weeks reach capacity quickly, so make plans now. Members of Glendale Road, see Jacob Vaughan for a special discount code. Got questions? See Jacob or speak with Landon Clark, WKYC Board President. Visit <https://www.wkyc.org/> to enroll your camper.

Sessions include the following:

- All-Ages Week (ages 8-18): June 7-12
 - Pee-Wee Weekend (ages 3-7, accompanied by a parent or guardian): June 13-15
- Teen Week: June 15-21
- Ages 11-13 Week: June 22-27
- Ages 8-10 Week: July 6-11
- All-Ages Week (ages 8-18): July 13-18

"Rejoice, Give Thanks, Pray"

THANK YOU

Thank you for the food, calls and prayers during this difficult time.

Bobby & Rose Spiceland
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Thank you so much for the sweet wedding shower and generous money gift! We greatly appreciate your support and thoughtfulness as we start this new chapter in our life. We would also like to thank the wedding shower team for all of their hard work in creating a special wedding shower for us!

Emily Wilson & Victor Rojas  
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Thank you so much for the kind and generous gift! It is so appreciated! We feel so blessed by those around us in the church and are thankful for so many amazing examples of marriage and love. Thank you again for the support, we are so excited for this next stage in life.

Aaron Dawson & Kathryn Foster
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Thank you for all the cards, calls and gifts. The cookies were great. God bless you all for making this the best birthday ever.

Janis Miller  
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Thank you for the love, support and prayers these past few weeks. Michael is feeling better and we always appreciate continued prayers.

Keith & Marilyn York

LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

Ladies' Bible Class will meet Tuesday morning, April 1st at 10:30, weather permitting. They will be studying pages 114-119.

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 19th at 10:00 am. We will meet in the Commons area. We invite all children ages 0-5th grade who would like to participate to sign up on the youth board. There is a tote beneath the youth board to fill with eggs or candy. If you prefer to make a money donation, please see Kali or Brock Simmons.

WEDDING SHOWER

There will be a wedding shower for Ellie VanDyke and Stetson Graves on Sunday, March 30th from 1-2:30 in the multipurpose room. They are registered at Amazon and Walmart or you may go to theknot.com/stetsonandellie. See Inez Butterworth if you would like to give a money gift before that Sunday.

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Williams Chapel Church of Christ  
Annual Singing

Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM  
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Sing & Rejoice

Friday, April 25th, 7:00 PM

Derek Jones

John Lovell

Zach Martin

Daniel Walker

~ELDERS~

Jeremy Bell
Raymond Grady

Johnny Bohannon
Allen McKeel

Brent Canter

~DEACONS~

Darrell Beane
Landon Clark
Mike Cooper
Garry Evans
Joel Fisher
Seth Grogan
Ryan Houston
John Mahan
Mike Orr
Tim Stark
Stacey Underhill

Terry Bourland
Gerald Coles
Dan Davis
Andrew Falwell
James Gibson
Chris Jones
Derek Jones
Terry McCallon
Shawn Simmons
Kelly Starks
Nicholas Webber

Josh Bybee
Tim Coles
Jody DeWitt
Jacob Falwell
Matt Gingles
Justin Hendrick
Chad Lawson
Josh McKeel
Jay Stark
Rob Thompson
Daron Wilson

~CARE TEAM LEADERS~

Jody Dewitt – Care Team 1
Dan Davis – Care Team 2
Jerry Stark – Care Team 3
Mike Orr – Care Team 4
Chuck Adams – Care Team 5
Garry Evans – Care Team 6
Terry Bourland – Care Team 7

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~SUNDAY SERVANTS~

3/30/2025

9:00 Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements Garry Evans
Song Service Derek Jones
Opening Prayer Terry Bourland
Preside Jackson Bell
Scripture Reading Doug Clark
Scripture 1 Timothy 3:1-7
Speaker Steven Hunter
Sermon What It Takes to Be An Overseer
Closing Prayer Mike Forgey
Nursery Robyn Darnell, Harlee Davis
Greeters Curtis Smith, Pam Smith, Bobby Spiceland, Rose Spiceland, Jay Stark, Donna Starks

Serve the Lord's Supper

South	North
Ray Murdock.....	Dwaine Rogers
Trent Murdock.....	David Ryan
Nathan Musser.....	Marty Sheridan
Mike Orr	Rick Spann
Eric Penniston	Tim Stark
Grant Riley	Zak Stark

Alternates: Brock Ray, Jay Stark, Jerry Stark, Kelly Starks, Karsen Starks, Kameron Starks

6:00 Evening Worship

Welcome/Announcements Garry Evans
Song Service Derek Jones
Opening Prayer Raymond Grady
Scripture Reading Eric Gibson
Scripture Psalm 2:1-3
Speaker Steven Hunter
Sermon The Lord's Anointed
Preside Lance Harper
Closing Prayer Billy Joe Hendon
Nursery Melody Higgins, Brittney Houston
Greeters Steve Dublin, Nancy Dublin, Cathy Ernstberger, Grundy Falwell, Beth Falwell, Janet Futrell

March Van Drivers:

Sunday AM – Terry McCallon (270-293-2720)
Sunday PM – Zach Underhill (270-705-2160)
Wednesday – Terry McCallon (270-293-2720)