



# GLENDALE ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

## NEWS & NOTES

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### The Beginning of Changes

Building off the previous two articles, I want to follow the strand of thinking about church history. Given the diverse practices, customs, and even church names, I wondered when things started to change. When you and I read our New Testaments, we see a unified state of things while the apostles lived. In all the churches, they appointed elders (Acts 14:23; Titus 1:5). The terms “elders,” “pastors,” and “bishops” were used interchangeably in the New Testament (Acts 20:17, 28; 1 Peter 5:1–4) and early Christian literature (*Didache* 15.1; *1 Clement* 42.4; Polycarp, *Philippians* 5–6; *Shepherd of Hermas* Vis. 8.3).

Changes began among a cluster of churches by Ignatius of Antioch in AD 108–117. Ignatius was a disciple of the Apostle John, as was Polycarp, whom I cited above. Polycarp adhered to the two-fold structure of elders and deacons in the local congregations. Ignatius elevated one of the elders and called him “bishop.” In his writings, he vested the bishop with such authority that the eldership (presbytery) was to be subject to him (*Magnesians* 2) and that nothing could be done apart from the bishop unless he appointed one of the elders to see to it (*Trallians* 2). The bishop was to oversee the Lord’s Supper and baptisms (*Smyrneans* 8). The structure became the bishop of this network of churches over the elders and deacons. The person usually chosen to be bishop was either a disciple of an apostle or one closely tied to someone who had been a disciple of an apostle, such as Ignatius. The belief was that they knew better than others might. This form of leadership spread and became the prevailing model, contrary to what the apostles instituted.

In the fourth century, the theologian and priest Jerome wrote in his commentary on Titus the following:

The presbyter [elder] is the same as the bishop, and before parties had been raised up in religion by the provocations of Satan, the churches were governed by the Senate of the presbyters. But as each one sought to appropriate to himself those whom he had baptized, instead of leading them to Christ, it was appointed that one of the presbyters, elected by his colleagues, should be set over all the others, and have chief supervision over the general well-being of the community. . . Without doubt it is the duty of the presbyters to bear in mind that by the discipline of the Church they are subordinated to him who has been given them as their head, but it is fitting that the bishops, on their side, do not forget that if they are set over the presbyters, it is the result of tradition, and not by the fact of a particular institution by the Lord. (*Commentary on Titus* 1.7)

-Steven

**Seeing God’s Good When It Looks Bad**  
*But I want you to know, brethren, that the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. (Philippians 1:12-14)*

Paul had a special relationship with the Christians in Philippi; they were not only part of a church he founded, but they were also his friends. Sometimes our friends are confused at what God is doing in our life – and sometimes we are even more confused! In Philippians 1:12-14, Paul wanted to reassure the Philippians that God was doing good even when it looked bad.

Considering how God set Paul free in Philippi, we shouldn’t be surprised they wondered where the power of God was in Paul’s present imprisonment. If Paul wasn’t being advanced, that was all right – because his passion was to see the gospel advanced. Even though Paul was in prison, the circumstances around his imprisonment, and his manner during it, made it clear to everyone he was not just another prisoner, but he was an emissary of Jesus; this witness led to the conversion of many including his guards.

God never wastes our time, though we may waste it by not sensing God’s purpose for our lives in our present situation. Are you in a bad place – even a “prison” of some sort? God can use you right where you are, and He wants to. **Stop thinking your situation must change before God’s power can be evident in your life. It can be evident right now!**

Garry

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

**TYLER BOHANNON**  
**COLLEGE & YOUNG-N-HEARTS**



## **YOUNG - N -**

(4) "Rejoice in the Lord always."

**Celebrate God's Goodness**

(6) "...let your requests be made...to God"

**Ask God for Help (through Prayers)**

(7) "...peace of God...through Christ Jesus)

**Leave your request with God!**

(8) "Meditate on these things." (heavenly)

**Meditate on the things above - good, etc.**

**(Philippians 4:4-8)**

**For C.A.L.M.** - follow these daily!

**FEBRUARY 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024** - 1<sup>st</sup> Young N Hearts  
Class of the New Year!



**JANUARY 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024** - **C20 Class @ 6:30pm** -  
Topic: **ROSE & THORN** - **Out to eat after class**  
- **please invite a friend.**

**JANUARY 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024** - **C20 Class @ 10am** -  
Topic Continued: **A Glorious Body & A Heavenly Home** - **Rich Man and Lazurus** (1 Cor 15:12-58; Lk 16:19-31)

## **Library**

*E. Bailey*

### **SCOTTISH HERITAGE # 1**

In several ways, our modern American hymnody had its roots in Scotland in the 1700s. Four names stand out in the rich history of the Restoration Movement in Britain and each of them made significant contributions to the hymnody of our movement.

**John Glas** (1695-1773) was a theologian who gave his name to the Glassite movement. Significant to us is the fact that he saw the importance of publishing an early collection of hymns for their use.

**Robert Sandeman** (1718-1771) was Glas's son-in-law and a tireless worker in spreading the Sandemanian message which was basically the same emphasis on restorationism as preached by the Glassites.

**James Alexander Haldane** (1768-1851) and his brother, **Robert Haldane** (1764-1842), were wealthy Scottish industrialists who spent much money advocating New Testament Christianity in Scotland & England.

## **YOUTH**

**Jacob Vaughan**

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CYC is coming up in February. We will leave on Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> and return on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

The bus to depart for CYC will leave from the Church parking lot at 4:00 I would recommend eating dinner before we depart. The cost to attend CYC this year will be \$175. This price includes all meals plus a dinner show as well as your ticket for the event itself and lodging.

It is technically passed the deadline to sign up for CYC but if you would still like to go and haven't signed up, speak to me and we can make it happen. We have a large group going and it would only make it that much better if more youth decided to join us.

Most of our youth are actively involved in many extracurriculars. It would mean the world to them if you were able to find some time and support them at one of their functions. Show them the love you have for them and the support we should have for one another as we live our lives as pilgrims/ sojourners in a world we don't belong to.

The youth calendar has been made for 2024.

You can find a copy of this calendar on our website at

<https://www.glendaleroadchurch.org/youth-ministry>.

Take a look and see what all the youth has planned for this upcoming year. Hard copies will also be made available on the youth bulletin board in the commons area for those that would like one. Some of the dates are liable to change due to need or rescheduling issues. I will inform everyone with updates as they take place.

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# ***"Rejoice, Give Thanks, Pray"***

## **THANK YOU**

Kaylee and I want to thank you for all the beautiful Christmas cards. I also want to thank all that called and sent cards for my birthday.

Judy Turner

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Thank you very much for your thoughtful gift for my Moms funeral.

Chuck Wilson and the Family of  
Linda Wilson

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## **LADIES' BIBLE CLASS**

Ladies' Tuesday Bible Class will meet at 10:30 AM on January 23<sup>rd</sup> (weather permitting). The lesson will be from pages 75-84 in It's a Red Letter Day. All ladies are invited.

## **CARING & SHARING**

We are in need of men's hoodies, sweatshirts or heavier shirts and girls winter clothing sizes 7-16. We are always appreciative of any clothing you may have to donate!

## **WOMEN'S RETREAT**

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fan the Flame Women's Retreat  
March 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> @ WKYC

Sign up on the board by the TV on the back wall  
in the Commons. See  
Ashley Benson if you have any questions.

## **SYMPATHY**

We express the sympathy of the congregation to John and Dedra Henderson and family on the death of their sister-in-law, Peggy Henderson.

## **REQUESTING PRAYERS**

Stacey Underhill (1/7)  
1720 Killdeer Tr.  
Murray, KY 42071

## **FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY**

*Make Heaven Crowded*

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

9 AM - John Dale

Class - Steven Hunter

Potluck

Devotional - Jacob Vaughan

### **~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

- Care Team 5

Garry Evans - Care Team 6

Terry Bourland - Care Team 7



## ~SUNDAY SERVANTS~

1/21/2024

### 9:00 Morning Worship

Welcome/Announcements ..... Garry Evans  
Song Service ..... Derek Jones  
Opening Prayer ..... Doug Clark  
Preside ..... Steve Dublin  
Scripture Reading ..... Jeremy Bell  
Scripture ..... Jeremiah 6:15  
Speaker ..... Steven Hunter  
Sermon ..... What Does It Say?  
Closing Prayer ..... Jake Hance  
Nursery ..... Conda Wilson, Emily Wilson  
Greeters... Cindy Lassiter, Jessica Lassiter,  
Sawyer Lawson, Mandy Lawson, Delores  
Lawson, Martha Lovett

### Serve the Lord's Supper

| South                | North        |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Dwaine Rogers .....  | Rick Spann   |
| David Ryan.....      | Jay Stark    |
| Marty Sheridan.....  | Jerry Stark  |
| Karsen Starks .....  | Tim Stark    |
| Kameron Starks ..... | Zak Stark    |
| Kelly Starks .....   | Rob Thompson |

**Alternates:** Stacey Underhill, Corey Underhill,  
Zach Underhill, Tyler Underhill, Jacob Vaughan,  
Daniel Walker

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### 6:00 Evening Worship

Welcome/Announcements ..... Garry Evans  
Song Service ..... Derek Jones  
Opening Prayer ..... Bob Hargrove  
Scripture Reading ..... Andrew Falwell  
Scripture..... Philippians 3:20  
Speaker ..... Steven Hunter  
Sermon..... Our Citizenship  
Preside ..... Allen McKeel  
Closing Prayer ..... Josh McKeel  
Nursery ..... Jessica Morris, Suzanna Pigg  
Greeters..... Josie Erdmann, Lucas Medley,  
Ray Murdock, Debbie Murdock, Halee Musser,  
Janice Nix

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### Van Drivers:

Sunday AM – Eric Gibson (270-293-1714)  
Sunday PM – Mike Cooper (270-227-5694)  
Wednesday – Terry McCallon (270-293-2720)