## **Prayer List**



#### Of Our Number

- ◆ Florene Howze—health problems
- ◆ Hannah Lawson—upcoming dr. appts.
- Jim Ward—cancer in remission: dr. soon

#### Others in Need

- ◆ Al Aplin—surgery soon
- ◆ **Deb Aplin**—biopsies soon
- ◆ Thomas Bush—11, cancer
- ◆ Tim Dixon—lymphoma; chemo
- ◆ Keith Grimes—leukemia
- ◆ David Lee—broken hip
- ◆ Michael Parish—home; physical therapy
- ◆ Jason Rickmon—home health after throat cancer surgery
- ◆ Luis Sanchez—brain surgery recovery

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◆ Lynn Simon—improving

◆ Rick Laux—sick lately

lost loved ones, first responders, police officers, government leaders, military, those traveling, alien sinners, those fallen away. the church at Baker and worldwide.

◆ Sidney White—short of breath

◆ Pray also for those who have

#### **Events**



We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).



◆ April 29th-May 2nd Gospel meeting at **Innerarity Point** 

Mav 5 Door knocking at 9:30am

◆ May 6-11 Our Homecoming Meeting with Jason Holladay speaking

## **Privileged to Serve**

**To Our Visitors** 



Announcements—Glenn Howze **Song Leading—**Caleb Howze (Wed.) David Howze (Sun.)

#### Serving the Lord's Supper

Head: Leo Derrick; Helpers: Mark Howze, Ethan Howze. Caleb Howze

#### Lord's Supper PM

Head: Ethan Howze Helper: Caleb Howze

Scripture Reading—Braden Hilburn

**Faithful Worship** - 1) Praying to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); 2) Singing without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); 3) Preaching God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); 4) Giving as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); 5) The Lord's Supper on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).

STEPS OF SALVATION: MAN'S PART FROM SINNER TO SAVED Baptism Co 1.21f; Re 2.10 Confess Mk 16.16 1P3.21 Repent 10.9, 10; of Sins Ac 8.37 "...ye were the Believe Ac 2.38; servants Gospel Jn 8.24; He 11.6 Hear of sin..." Gospel Ro 10.13f; Jn 6.44, 45 (Romans 6:17). What must Jesus Shed His Blood In 16.13 I do to be God Sent Ep 1.7; His Son 1Pe 1.19 His Son Jn 3.16; saved?! 1In 4.10

"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).



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### **Meeting Times**

#### **Sundays:**

10AM Bible Class 11AM Worship 5:30PM Pew Packers 6PM Worship

#### Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

#### Other Information

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## **Should Christian Teens Attend The Prom?**

**Todd Clippard** 

Among the many misplaced priorities of America's young people and the media targeting them is the hoopla surrounding the Prom. Teen-oriented magazines begin at the first of the year to promote this "once in a lifetime" event. Untold time and money are spent on what is considered the crowning night of one's high school experience.

Tragically, many Christian teens and their parents lose all rationality and common sense when it comes to the Prom. Should Christian teens have anything to do with the Prom? An ungodly world puts tremendous pressure on God's teenagers to join with them in worldly recreation. While not wanting to sin, God's teenagers do want to enjoy these years. It is for this reason that sin needs to be defined and lines drawn so that they can know what is right and what is wrong. So, with that in mind, what does the Bible say about the Prom?

The primary focus of the Prom is the dance. God's word is clear in its condemnation of dancing. In listing the works of the flesh in Galatians 5:19-21, dancing is condemned three times: as lasciviousness, reveling, and "such like." Lasciviousness is "indecent bodily movements, unchaste handling of males and

females" (Thayer's lexicon, p 79-80).

Some honest teens would ask, "What would be wrong in attending the Prom if I did not dance?" Paul warned Timothy, "be not a partaker of other men's sin, keep thyself pure." Ephesians 5:11 forbids the Christian from having any "fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." Furthermore, dancing is an inherently sexual art form and as such incites lust. Paul admonished the young Timothy to "flee youthful lusts" (2 Tim 2:22).

While the word Prom is a shortened version of the word "Promenade," it might as well be a shortened version of Promiscuity. A Google search of the words "Prom" and "sex" resulted in over 1.4 million hits. Admittedly, not all of these were concerned with sexual activity as it relates to the Prom, but most were, including the very first one. This link sent me to teenadvice.com and its "Prom Central." Here I found a long list of links to articles about the Prom. Among these articles was a "how to have sex on your prom night." Among the other links were numerous articles which promoted Prom as the night to lose one's virginity. This thing is "not done in a corner" (Acts 26:26). Any Christian parent who does not know these things only does so by turning a blind eye to the whole situation.

While working with teens in Tennessee, I asked them to consider the following questions as they considered their participation in the prom.

- How much time will you spend shopping and primping for the prom? How does that time compare with the time you spent helping the church outside of the worship services?
- How much money will you spend preparing for the prom? How do these figures compare with your church contribution in the previous month?
- Would you invite Jesus as your guest for the prom? If not, why not?
- Would you ask Jesus to dance with you? If you would, do you think he would accept?
- What effect will going to the prom have on your influence as a Christian?

I believe any honest person can clearly see that Prom is no place for the Christian teen.

# The Church of Christ in Baker

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# 61<sup>ST</sup> HOMECOMING GOSPEL MEETING

MAY 6-11, 2018

with Jason Holladay



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# **Service Times**

Sunday: 10am 11am & 2pm Monday - Friday: 7pm

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