

# White Oak Weekly Word

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## ASSEMBLY TIMES:

### SUNDAY:

Bible Study: 9:30 A. M.  
Worship: 10:30 A. M.

### WEDNESDAY:

Bible Study: 6:00 P. M.

**MINISTER:** George Cupp

## SONG LEADER:

Carl Puryear

Come study the word of God with us.

Call for an appointment for a  
personal Bible study.



## LIFE IS TOO SHORT

**David Pharr**

As people get older, they often remark about “how time flies.” Time is the same for young and old, but as we get older, we tend to become conscious of the swift passage of our life. Life is too short for us to pass by the opportunities for joy and enrichment that come our way. It is not so much that others deprive us of happiness, but that we deprive ourselves.



*Life is too short to neglect friendships.* No one has too many friends. Probably every day, there are opportunities for making and strengthening relationships with others. A stranger today could be a brother tomorrow.

*Life is too short to neglect fellowship with Christian friends.* The public and private occasions when we can be together to share interests, to share laughter, and to show affection are blessings from God. We realize opportunities will soon be gone. Faces we remember from past times are not seen anymore. Their cherished voices and laughter are absent now. We can deprive ourselves of so much by refusing to be a part.

*Life is too short to entertain bad attitudes.* Sometimes it happens that someone will get upset about something and let the anger last for months and even years. Time is too short and life too precious to be ruined by unchristian attitudes.

*Life is too short to refuse the opportunities to do good for others.* The building blocks of a meaningful life are kind words and helpful deeds. Most people think of this after it is too late. Jesus said, **“It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35).** Our own selfishness can rob us of great blessings.

*Life is too short to neglect opportunities for spiritual enrichment.* One who feels he can live a consecrated life without much help simply does are not intended as activities just for people with nothing to do. It is

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sad that so often those who most need help are the ones who deny themselves such opportunities.

*Life is too short to fail to speak to others about the Savior.* This life offers no greater privilege than that of helping another to be saved from their sins by helping them read and understand the Bible. But worldly pride, selfishness, indifference, and lack of preparation are keeping us from even trying. Too soon we will watch our neighbors perish; gone to where depends totally upon their relationship with Christ. Too soon we will “go, and empty-handed.”

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### WHAT MAKES A GREAT CHURCH?

Not big budgets, but large hearts.  
Not tall steeples, but lofty visions.  
Not money received, but services rendered.  
Not record-breaking attendance, but God’s presence.  
Not frantic motion, but courageous leadership.  
Not loud talking, but quiet doings.  
Not beautiful clothes, but beautiful lives.  
Not eloquent preachers, but active members.  
Not nice buildings, but good deeds.  
Not great numbers, but great love for one another.



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### HEART GIFTS

It’s not the things that can be bought  
That are life’s richest treasure,  
It’s just the little “heart gifts”  
That money cannot measure.

A cheerful smile, a friendly word,  
A sympathetic nod  
Are priceless little treasures  
From the storehouse of our God.

They are the things that can’t be bought  
With silver or with gold,  
For thoughtfulness and kindness  
And love are never sold.

They are the priceless things in life  
For which no one can pay,  
And the giver finds rich recompence  
In giving them away.



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### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED APRIL 10TH-17TH

The church office will be closed from April 10th-17th due to vacation. There will also be no information sheet nor Ladies’ Bible class that week, and no bulletin for the week of April 19th. The office should reopen April 20th.

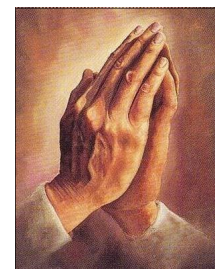
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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER!

- ◆ Mary Cay Blue, who has ongoing serious health issues and has been unable to be at services for quite some time
- ◆ Gary Brewer, who has ongoing serious health issues and has been unable to be at services for quite some time
- ◆ Mary Ruth Payne, who is recovering from knee replacement and improving
- ◆ Burma Pierce, who has ongoing serious health issues and has been unable to be at services for quite some time
- ◆ Holly Shull, who is currently suffering from a case of shingles
- ◆ Leisa Sisemore, who is recovering from double knee replacement and improving
- ◆ White Oak members Ronnie Brewer, Sam Coffelt, Betty Cooper, Holly Shull, Betty Weaver, Joe Weir, and Julie Wood who each have ongoing health issues
- ◆ White Oak's shut-ins and long-distance members: Shirley Crownover, Nellie Haithcock, June Sims, and Nell Stewart
- ◆ Bailey Collins, young lady paralyzed in an accident
- ◆ Brooks Dalton, child of friends of Julie Wood, who has cystic fibrosis
- ◆ Emma Davenport, great-granddaughter of Joe Weir, who has scleroderma
- ◆ Micheal Douglas, Sr., husband of Ruby Douglas, who has ongoing serious health issues
- ◆ Randy English, a missionary White Oak supports, who is recovering from recent knee replacement surgery
- ◆ Brad Jones, member at Mtn. Creek, who is receiving treatments for cancer
- ◆ Ruth Knight, wife of Charles Knight, who is having serious ongoing health issues
- ◆ Clinton Miller, father of former White Oak member Cindy Haynes, who is being monitored for an aortic aneurysm and low kidney function
- ◆ Timmy Osborne, grandson of Gary & Linda Brewer, who is having serious health issues
- ◆ Don and Arlette Puryear, parents of Lisa Cupp, who both have serious ongoing health issues
- ◆ Dottie Randles, good friend of Sandra Henderson, who is receiving treatments for cancer
- ◆ Jerry Shepard, son-in-law of the late White Oak members Leon and Barbara Northcut, who is receiving treatments for cancer
- ◆ Carolyn Shull, mother of Greg Shull, who is at Life Care of Hixson awaiting consultation on possible surgery for a tumor near her brain stem
- ◆ Mark Sims, nephew of June Sims, who is receiving treatments for cancer
- ◆ Dennis Smith, minister at Sequatchie Valley, who has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Corrie Beth Snyder, child of friends of Julie Wood, who is slowly improving from her stroke
- ◆ Ashlyn Tucker, child of friends of Julie Wood, who has Eosinophilic Esophagitis
- ◆ Sharee Watkins, occasional White Oak visitor, who has serious ongoing health issues
- ◆ Stephen Wiggins, former White Oak member LaVaughn Turner's nephew and gospel preacher in Texas, who is recovering at home from recent heart bypass surgery and a subsequent stroke
- ◆ Remember those in storm and wildfire ravaged areas, those in war-torn areas especially Christians, those serving in the military, and faithful missionaries the world over



## Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Apr. 1: I Sam. 11-13  
 Apr. 2: I Sam. 14-15  
 Apr. 3: I Sam. 16-17  
 Apr. 4: I Sam. 18-20  
 Apr. 5: I Sam. 21-24  
 Apr. 6: I Sam. 25-27  
 Apr. 7: I Sam. 28-31  
 Apr. 8: II Sam. 1-3  
 Apr. 9: II Sam. 4-7  
 Apr. 10: II Sam. 8-11  
 Apr. 11: II Sam. 12-13  
 Apr. 12: II Sam. 14-15  
 Apr. 13: II Sam. 16-17  
 Apr. 14: II Sam. 18-19  
 Apr. 15: II Sam. 20-22  
 Apr. 16: II Sam. 23-24  
 Apr. 17: I Kings 1  
 Apr. 18: I Kings 2-3  
 Apr. 19: I Kings 4-6  
 Apr. 20: I Kings 7  
 Apr. 21: I Kings 8  
 Apr. 22: I Kings 9-10  
 Apr. 23: I Kings 11-12  
 Apr. 24: I Kings 13-14  
 Apr. 25: I Kings 15-17  
 Apr. 26: I Kings 18-19  
 Apr. 27: I Kings 20-22  
 Apr. 28: II Kings 1-2  
 Apr. 29: II Kings 3-4  
 Apr. 30: II Kings 5-7



The digital bulletin is available via email or online at the White Oak website:

[www.whiteoakchurchofchrist.org](http://www.whiteoakchurchofchrist.org)

### HEAR SERMONS ONLINE

White Oak sermons are available online at:

<https://wococ.sermon.net>

also, at I-tunes:

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/white-oak-church-of-christ/id413729334>

and on a link from our website.

Sermon CDs are available upon request.

# GOSPEL MEDIA

—INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL HOUR—  
 Sunday, 4:30 P. M. & 8:30 P. M.  
 M-F, 5:30 A. M., 3:00 P. M. & 7:15 P. M.  
 Saturday 2:00 P. M. & 11:00 P. M.  
 103.3 WLMR FM, Chattanooga, TN  
[www.internationalgospelhour.com](http://www.internationalgospelhour.com)

### —PROGRAMS TO WATCH— INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL HOUR

Sunday, 7:00 A. M., The CW, Ch. 53.1  
 (Comcast & EPB 6)

Friday, 5:00 A. M.

Charge! Network—Channel 53.4

Tuesday and Saturday, 6:30 P. M.

Sunday, 1:00 P. M.

Thursday, 4:30 P. M.

GBN—EPB Ch. 152/452



### THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

Saturday, 5:30 A. M., WTVC, Ch. 9.3, WTVC  
 (Comcast 10 & EPB 9)

### GOOD NEWS TODAY

Sunday, 7:30 A. M., The CW, Ch. 53.1  
 (Comcast & EPB 6)

Sunday, 10:30 A. M., WELF, Ch. 23.5

GBN—EPB Ch. 152/452:

various times

Also, on the web at [www.gnttv.org](http://www.gnttv.org)

### IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY

Sunday, 8:00 A. M., WDEF Ch. 12  
 (Comcast 13 & EPB 12)

### LIGHT FOR THE WAY

Sunday, 10:30 A. M., The CW, Ch. 53.1  
 (Comcast & EPB 6)

### ANCHOR OF THE SOUL

Sunday, 8:00 A. M., WELF, Ch. 23.5  
 Sunday, 11:00 A. M., My Network TV, Ch. 53.2  
 (Comcast 226 & EPB 8)

### THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL

Sunday, 2:30 P. M., The CW, Ch. 53.1  
 (Comcast 6 & EPB 6)

### PREACHING THE GOSPEL

GBN—EPB Ch. 152/452:  
 various times

### COUNTERPOINT

Tuesday, 7:00 P. M.  
 CTN, Cleveland, TN  
 (Comcast 217)



### GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Sunday, 7:30 A. M.  
 WOOT-LD Ch. 6.1 and WDGA 43.1  
 Heartland T. V.

### ARISE TO TRUTH

[www.arisetotruth.com](http://www.arisetotruth.com) and airs live  
 Tuesdays & Thursdays at 2:00 P. M.



Sunday, April 5, 2026:

A. M. Bible Class ..... 23  
 A. M. Worship ..... 42

# Assignments

## APRIL ASSIGNMENTS

If you are unable to serve, please contact Greg Shull as soon as you can.

### Leading Prayer for Sunday, Apr. 12th:

A. M. First Prayer: Ron Payne  
 A. M. Closing Prayer: Rocky Sisemore

### Leading Prayer for Wed., Apr. 15th:

First Prayer: Sam Coffelt  
 Closing Prayer: Ron Payne

### Announcements: Clay Brown

### Lord's Table Devotional:

Ron Payne and Greg Shull



## On The Calendar!

Apr. 17th: Area-wide Singing at Bethel, Dunlap, TN, 7:00 P. M. with refreshments to follow.

Apr. 18th: Ladies' Day at Rossville, GA, Kingdom of Grace with Samantha Burns, 9:00 A. M. with breakfast and lunch provided.

Apr. 19-23: Gospel Meeting at Greens Lake Rd. in East Ridge, TN, *What A Savior* with Reid Perry; see flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer for schedule.

Apr. 24th: Area-wide Singing at East Ridge, TN, 7:00 P. M. with refreshments to follow.

Apr. 25th: Ladies' Day at Soddy, TN, *Still Called* with Jada Cooper, 9:00 A. M. with light breakfast and tea room luncheon provided.

Apr. 25th: Ladies' Day at Pleasant Grove in Trion, GA, *Be Ye Transformed* with Celia Grider, 9:15 A. M. with brunch provided.