

# The Shady Acres Servant

*Matthew. 20:27, "Whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant." ~Jesus*

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Gene Hosey  
Don Moore  
Steve Turnbow

## Deacons

Paul Adell  
Terry Kellett  
John McMillen  
Chris Mills  
Heath Poindexter  
Daniel White  
Jason Whitten

## Sunday

Morning Bible Study  
9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship  
10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship  
5:00 p.m.

## Wednesday

Bible Study  
7:00 p.m.

- WATCH -  
*In Search of  
the Lord's Way*

Each Sunday  
KBSI-TV  
Cable Channel 9  
7:00 a.m.

## I Got My Eye on You

One day last week I was asked an interesting question. You see, this person has a cat who will come meow in their ear while they are sleeping. The question: how does the cat know where to go to make noise that we can hear? Hmmm. Good question. But of course that got me to thinking. Animals, for the most part, will make eye contact with us humans. The dog that wants to play isn't watching your feet or your hands, but is watching your face. We might not understand how animals know, but even they comprehend the importance of the connection.

Eye contact is so important. We do so many things with it. We see if the other person is paying attention to us, and likewise we see if they are distracted. If we, looking at their eyes, see that they are looking at something else, we can sometimes figure out what they are looking at. We also detect a number of emotions through eye contact, such as compassion, laughter, anger, fear, bitterness, and disgust. Sometimes, when we know the other person really well, we can even communicate with them just using our eyes.

David wrote concerning God, "Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings" (Psalm 17:8, KJV). The apple of the eye refers to the reflection one can see in the eye of another, but you have to be close to see it. Really close. That is what David was after, having God keep him so close that God could see His own reflection in David's eye. And he declared in Psalm 34:15, "The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry." God has His eyes on you.

But what is God looking at when His eyes are on us? Is He checking to see if we are paying attention (or are our eyes only on our phones)? Is He seeing the emotions that too often overwhelm us? Is He seeing if our eyes are focused on ourselves or if they are focused on others? And what should we see in the anthropomorphic eyes of God, if not love, mercy, compassion, forgiveness, and tender care?

God says, I have my eyes on you. Do we have our eyes upon Him?

Keith Olbricht

## SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

### **THOSE TO SERVE:**

**Lord's Supper:** Presiding - Larry Kellett

**SUNDAY PM COMMUNION:** Chris Mills

### **SCRIPTURE READERS:**

**A.M.** David Braden                      Revelation 2:10

**P.M.** Bruce Gilmer                      John 9:11

### **TO LEAD PRAYER:**

**A.M. Opening:** Billy Littleton

**Closing:** Dan Robinson

**P.M. Opening:** Benny Eason

**Closing:** Daniel White

### **WELCOME TABLE:**

**Sept 18 -** Bonnie Lawrence & Anita Nelson

**Sept 25 -** David & Teresa Braden

### **NURSERY ATTENDANTS:**

**A.M.** N/A

### **SENIOR MEMBERS BUS DRIVER:**

**Sept:** N/A

**USHERS:** Bruce Lawrence, John McMillen

### **SOUNDRoom:**

Brandon Britton, David DeHart, Blaze Tibbs

### **SONG LEADER:**

**Sunday A.M.** — Steve Turnbow

**Sunday P.M.** — Singing Night

### **WORSHIP GREETINGS & WELCOME:**

### **DOOR GREETERS:**

### **SUNDAY SERMONS:**

**A.M. Persecution Is Coming! (Or Is It?)**

Keith Olbricht

**P.M. Congregational Singing**

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Chuck Bagby** - Charles & Doris Bagby's son, having a tumor removed from his brain Sept 19

**Mary Bull** - fell & broke pelvis, staying at Cheryl's

**Charline Chambers** - test

**Tim Chambers** - recovering from knee surgery

**Sonny Eddy** - had a pacemaker put in Monday

**Tara Eddy** - Michael & Nancy Wheeler's daughter, prayers for treatments

**John Floyd** - Glen Mousers brother-in-law

**Linda Hartzog** - healing from a broken clavicle

**Della Hubbard** - home on hospice

**Ronnie Lambert** - Ray & Eileen Lambert's son

**Austin & Liz Littleton** - expecting a baby with health issues in Sept., Austin is a grandson of Billy & Shirley Littleton

**Alyssa McClellan Myer** - Kathy McClellan's daughter, 26 wks pregnant & having problems w/pregnancy

**Brenda Nimmo** - undergoing treatments at Siteman

**Alene Porter** - doing better, Barnes Hospital, Jacob Owens mother in law

**Barbara Ross** - Delta South

**Todd Sterling** - cancer

**Karen Tillman** - Edsel's daughter, hospital in AR

**Marvin & Charlotte Walton**

Charles Bagby, Mary Bain, Rob Barker, Darlene Bartolo, Roger Bartolo, Roger Bartolo Jr., Charlene Blackwelder, Barbara Brown, Tom & Carol Britton & Blake Coleson, Kasey & Kennedy Cogdill, Beckham Collins, Mamie Cowger, Ruth Ann Crest, Jo Ruth Dale, Mattie Ford, Danny Freeman, Buddy Gardner, Linda Gillian, Bob & Eualia Hamby, Patsy Harris, Ray Hart, Barbara Harwood, Maggie Hatley, David & Lois Hays, Scott Henderson, Dawson Hicks, Pat Hosey, Ariel Houston, Phil Hubbert, Georgia Jacobsen, Adam Johnson, Geraldine Karnes, Jocelyn Keen, Darin Kellett, James Kennedy, Gary Melvin, Glenna Merrell, Christine Miller, Glen Mouser, Barbara Murray, Bobby & Martha Parker, Ray Parker, Emma Patterson, Mierlan Payne, Maverick Potts, Violet Price, Vance Raines, Vance Raines Jr, Wanda Raper, Pat Reynolds, Matt Roberts, Wayne Rush, Paul Scott, Pam Shankle, Roy Sharp, Allieen Smith, Debbie Swafford, Davis Taylor, Thomas Wells, Cheryl White, Leveda Williams, Stanley Williams, Marla Woodard



## PRESCHOOL BIBLE HOUR SCHEDULE

Sept. 18 & 25 - Jill Hankins

### BIG BIBLE HOUR

September - Belinda Owens

## BIBLE STUDY QUESTION

**Answer to last week's question:** Who said we should live peaceably with all men if possible? Paul - Romans 12:18

**This week's question:** What church was rich & thought they were in need of nothing, but was actually wretched, miserable, poor, blind & naked, and why were they this way?

**BARNABAS GROUP:** Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

**WOMEN of VALOR PRAYER GROUP:** Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. All ladies are welcome.

**November 4-6: Crossroads Youth Conference** at Shady Acres. The theme this year is "*Be Real*", with an emphasis on thriving as a Christian in a secular environment.

**SYMPATHY:** We extend our love and sympathy to **Steve Turnbow** and family in the loss of his brother, **Michael Turnbow**.

## PARAGOULD CHILDREN'S HOME

The truck will be here Monday, **December 19th** to pick up donated items. Please leave these items in the room across from the library. **Requested items:**

Bottled Apple Juice -- Almond Bark  
Assorted Spices -- Batteries  
Dishwashing Detergent -- Sugar

## **FOR THE RECORD — Sept. 11, 2022**

Sunday Bible Class - 109      Sunday a.m. Worship - 200  
Sunday p.m. Worship - 115      Contribution \$8,361  
Weekly Budget \$7,898

**YOUTH RALLY SPEAKERS:** There will be a meeting in the fellowship room immediately following morning worship on **October 2nd** for all those who will be speaking at the youth rally.

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**GOSPEL MEETING: Sept 23-25** at Arnold Church of Christ. Guest Speaker: Doug Burleson.

**LADIES DAY: Saturday, October 1st** at Central Church of Christ in Paducah, KY. Details are on the bulletin board by the nursery.

**THANKS:** Each of you are a true angel to me and I'm more grateful than words can express! You are compassionate, unselfish and have such loving hearts! There is nothing more beautiful than someone who goes out of their way to make life better for others ~ and that is exactly what you do! Knowing you are being prayed for is medicine for the soul! May God bless you in return!

Linda Hartzog

*Please help keep the prayer list updated!*



## **A "GIFT CARD" BABY SHOWER** honoring parents-to-be

Jack and Bethany (Nicholson) Thomas is set up in the front foyer. Gift cards from Amazon, Target and Wal-Mart would be greatly appreciated. The basket will be there for collecting until Sunday, September 18th.

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## Solving All the World's Problems

Just take a look at the news headlines and you will see problem after problem that humanity has created: wars, violence, murders, theft, scandals, abuse of power, the misuse of resources, immorality – the list goes on and on. What a mess we have made of this world! And with all of these problems comes heartbreak, more troubling situations, and brokenness of homes and society.

Not to brag, but I believe that I have found the solution to all of the problems of the world. In John 16, Jesus had just informed the apostles of His upcoming crucifixion and what all would happen surrounding it. Then in v .33, He reminded them (and us): "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

The solution to every trouble of the world is Jesus Christ. He can and will overcome any and all problems we humans create. If everyone would just get and stay in a relationship with Jesus, then they would be connected to the One who can overcome any problem. If everyone would faithfully follow Christ and His teachings, then none of the problems of the world would persist. Knowing that, then why wouldn't we want to take the saving message of Christ to all the world (Mark 16:15)?

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