Sermon Notes: “Hope for the Broken”
Scripture Reading: 1Peter 5:6-7

Introduction (Psalm 34:18; 2Corinthians 12:9; Luke 4:18-19)

Point One: Hear the Cry of a Broken Soul (Romans 7:14, 15, 18, 21-25)

Point Two: The Question That Changes Everything: “Who Will Rescue Me?” (Matthew 11:28)

Point Three: The Answer of Hope is Jesus (Rom 7:25)

Point Four: Broken, Yet Beloved (2Corinthians 5:17)

The Messenger

Weekly Newsletter of Whiteland Church of Christ
Loving God / Loving People

The Lord’s Day, October 12, 2025

Order of Worship

Greeting: Mickey McDaniel

Scripture Reading: Clinton Nalley (1Peter 5:6-7)

Worship Leader: Lonnie Hewitt

Communion: Rex DeFord

Sermon: Ronnie Hewitt
(Hope for the Broken)

Announcements / Prayer: Ed Tichenor

During Sermon
Nursery: Kayla Stanton (Sub: Debbie Smith)
Pre-K & K: Gina Sowder & Edie Short
1st-3rd Grade Bible Hour: Tammy Burris

Schedule of Services

Bible Studies: Sunday 9:30am & 5:00pm / Wednesday 7pm
Worship: Sunday 10:30am

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Welcome

Thank you for being with us today. May you find your time here to be a source of renewal, hope, and belonging.

Prayer Requests

Cindy Davis received antibiotic treatment for both strep and the flu and is doing better. Her surgery has been scheduled for Dec. 9th. **Sarah Day** requests prayers for encouragement. **Angie Hewitt** is still looking for employment. **Edie Short** had a procedure to burn nerves in her back to alleviate pain. **Ronnie Sutton** is undergoing therapy for knee issues. **Della Turnbill** is scheduled to have a heart monitor placed this next Wednesday and is also awaiting the installation of the Watchman device. **Mary Walton**, Regina Anderson's mother, is recovering from an upper respiratory infection. **April Ashley,** Rachel Hewitt's sister-in-law, is having a blood patch placed due to a spinal leak. **Gayle Stephens** (former member) is undergoing intensive cancer treatment that necessitates isolation. **Betty Tucker**, the mother of Crystal Miller's coworker, fell and broke her shoulder and kneecap and is now in rehab at Otterbein. **Nick**, Wanda Weaver's son, is still sick. **Tina White**, Hanna Redden's mother-in-law, is recovering from broken ribs and a fractured sternum from an auto accident. **Mike Young**, Pam Sherrill's nephew-in-law, had major neck surgery on Sept. 22 and developed an infection. He has been moved to rehab and will be getting 3 hours of OT & PT daily.

Long Term Concerns

Gavin Brooks, son of Keith Huesman's friend (heart issues). **Juanita Brunnemer** (Shut-in). **Brandon Chance**, Edie Short's nephew (deployment). **Susie Crecelous**, GayLee's friend (bone cancer & lupus). **Edie Culin**, Wiwczaroski's friend (stage 2 rectal and lymphoma cancer). **Frank Denzio**, John's brother (kidney & liver issues). **Pam Dowty,** Ronnie Sutton's sister (Parkinson's). **Robert Ewing**, GayLee's nephew (bone & liver cancer). **Gloria**, friend of Hagan's (kidney and heart issues). **Moe Handy** (shut-in, severe shoulder & back pain). **Rex Hembree**, Della's brother (lung issues). **Angie Hewitt** (severe migraines, looking for employment). **Jamie Jones**, Hagan's nephew (coronary artery bypass and is on kidney transplant list). **Martin Julian** (shut-in). **Neil Kent**, David's brother (lung cancer). **Pam Lasiter** (ongoing health issues); **Sharon Lasiter** (cancer treatments). **Lynn,** aunt of Lonnie & Sonya's daughter-in-law (breast and spine cancer). **Clayton Marrott** (intestinal issues). **Leah Raker**, Kent's great-granddaughter (Rett syndrome). **Anthony Ross,** Gay Logsdon's nephew (dialysis). **Tim Scott**, Cindy Strope's brother (palsy, being treated with steroids). **Megan Setser,** Wanda's neighbor (recovering from brain tumor surgery). **Lonnie Shoopman** (non-Hodgkin lymphoma). **Vonnie Stonebraker,** Sowder's neighbor (palliative care). **Blanche Taylor** (shut-in). **Delbert Vibbert**, Lougene's nephew (COPD). **Mary Walton** (shut-in). **Tiffany Waskom**, Crystal Miller's co-worker (immunotherapy for cancer). **Wanda Weaver** (kidney disease and lupus). **Heather Wiwczaroski**, Eric's sister-in-law (recovering from spine surgery). **Jimmy Wooten** (Parkinson's); **Kevin & Mary Wooten** (Kevin - Cardiac Amyloidosis, chemo; Mary - Alzheimer's).

Administration Record

2025 Budget: $178,787.94 Weekly Budget: $3,438.23

Last Week's Offering: $2,031.00

Attendance Last Week 51

Upcoming Events

Love Feast Fellowship (Potluck)

We invite everyone to stay and join us following this morning's worship service. Our afternoon Bible class will immediately follow. Dan Strope will be leading our discussion.

Morning Glories Ministry Brunch

The next brunch will be Saturday, October 18th at 10am in the fellowship hall. All our women are invited to join in with this ministry and fellowship.

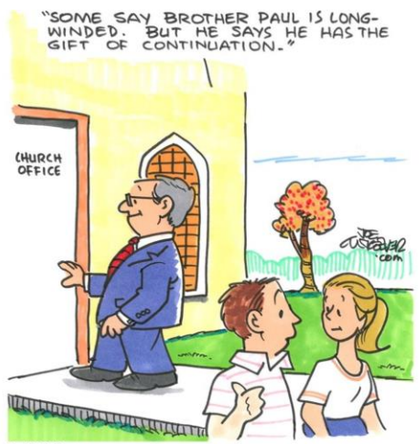
Gospel Meetings

The Bargersville Church of Christ will host its Fall Gospel Meeting from October 17-19, featuring Sid Latham. He will be presenting on the theme: You Are the Temple! Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for schedule and topics.

The Eagle Valley Church of Christ will hold its Fall Gospel Meeting from October 19-23, featuring Don Loftis on "Discovering the Heart of Jesus." See the foyer bulletin board for schedule and topics.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

All our men (young and old alike) are invited to join us for breakfast, prayer, devotional and fellowship on Saturday, October 25th at 9am. For more information, please see Lonnie Hewitt or Clinton Nalley.



Daily Bible Reading Plan

Sunday, October 12	Matthew 25-26
Monday, October 13	Matthew 27-28
Tuesday, October 14	Mark 1-3
Wednesday, October 15	Mark 4-5
Thursday, October 16	Mark 6-7
Friday, October 17	Mark 8-9
Saturday, October 18	Mark 10-11

Meditation of God's Word

You Feed Them

(A Story of Compassion, Provision, & Participation)

Have you ever faced a situation where your first instinct was to walk away? Maybe it felt too big, too messy, or too inconvenient. The disciples faced such a moment. A crowd of thousands, hungry and tired, stood before them. Their solution was simple: "*Master, send them away*." We read in Matthew 14:15, "*As evening approached, the disciples came to Him and said, 'This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.'*" Their logic sounds reasonable. But their solution was based on human limitations, not divine possibility.

The truth is that logic without faith often leads to limitation. The disciples saw the need and assumed the solution was outside of them, and it was. How often do we do the same? We see someone hurting, and we think, "I don't have the words." We see a ministry opportunity and say, "I'm not qualified." We see a financial need and whisper, "I don't have enough." In those moments, we often send away what God wants us to engage.

However, Jesus had a different response. He said, "*You give them something to eat.*" Realize, this was not a rebuke of the disciples, but an invitation to participate in the miraculous. How often God calls us to step into situations that seem beyond us, because He wants to work through us. Understand, He wasn't asking them to be the source. He was inviting them to be the vessel. Jesus saw the crowd not as a problem, but as a people in need of compassion. And He wanted His disciples to see them the same way.

The disciples looked around and found a young boy with five loaves and two fish (Matt 14:17). They tell Jesus what they have; and again, what they had wasn't much. But Jesus took it, blessed it, broke it, and multiplied it. The miracle didn't start with abundance. It started with surrender.

What do you have today? A few words of encouragement? A prayer? A testimony? A creative idea? Place it in His hands. Let Him bless it. Let Him multiply it.

We read in Matthew 14:20, "*They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.*" So, not only was the crowd fed, but there were also leftovers. That is the nature of God's provision. He doesn't just meet the need, He exceeds it.

Ministry begins with compassion, not convenience. Are we willing to be interrupted by other's needs? If we focus on what we lack, we will miss what God can multiply. However, responding with faith and offering what we have allows God to work and do the miraculous, and He will always exceed our expectations. Remember, even if we feel inadequate, He is sufficient.

...Ronnie Hewitt