



Carbondale
Church of Christ

January 18, 2007
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The Carbondale Church of Christ exists for the purpose of bringing honor to God the Father by imitating his Son, Jesus Christ, and spreading the gospel message. We are HIS.

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Minister: Steve Shaffer Elders: Edd Knight, Gerard Smith, Terry Taylor

In Our Prayers

Health:

- *Joe Clary- health problems
- *Mae and Ken Simpkins-health about the same
- *Elise's father-in-law – cancer appears stable
- *Kay's coworker – cancer
- *Marcus' coworker's sister- cancer
- *Mike Matheny-cancer
- *Jan's friend – cancer
- *Mike Kinsall – cancer
- *Debbie's friend – health
- *Mike Hope – cancer
- *Mike Hope's mother – serious health concerns
- *Martha's sister-in-law – cancer
- *Martha's niece – treatments
- *Bonnie Bond's aunts – hopeful news
- *C. J. Garris considering treatment options
- *Chris & VJ's friend's father- has cancer and has had a heart attack
- *Billy Springer's mother- cancer
- *Beverly Bradford-Karen's friend cancer recurred
- *Michele Moore, friend of the Buffords, is confined To bed rest due to her pregnancy
- *The Ross children have been sick
- *Scott Wiedeback, nephew of Toni and George Thomas- cancer treatments
- *Darryl Dunham- kidney stones

Other:

- *For our search for a youth minister
- *Katrina Victims

Serving Overseas

In Iraq Tina Harryman, Rebecca's Dad,
Dee Brown's niece, Dorothy's nephew,
Brandon Russell

Healing is a Choice – Class Social

Virginia is organizing a fellowship social for all class participants....See Virginia for details.

Sunday January 21

Song Leader-	Terry Taylor
Opening Prayer	Gerard Smith
Closing Prayer	Jacob Shaffer
Lord's Supper	Brent Kington
Greeters	George and Toni Thomas
Nursery	Karen Fozard

Sunday AM Adult Classes

Adults #1 Acts 3: 1-4 :22

Adults #2 "Marcus Odom in family room

Sunday Evening

5PM – Life Group

Teen Life Group, 6PM, Family Room (Taylors)

Children's Church, 6PM, Fellowship Room

Worship, 6PM, auditorium "I Gotta Be Me"

Wednesday Night Bible Study

6:30 PM Devotional

6:45 Bible Classes (Adults study on forgiveness)

6:45 FriendSpeak

Ladies Bible Study

Tues @ 3PM study the book of John

UP Coming Events

- Congregational meeting Jan 21 PM budget discussion
- Mission Trip to Mississippi June 3-9

Leadership Training for Christ (LTC)

Sunday Practice Schedule

3:00 PM Chorus

3:45 PM Drama (7-12th) / Puppets (3-6th)

4:30 PM Puppets 7-12th / Ind Evts /Bible Bowl 3-6th

5:15 PM Video Drama / Ind Evts

Area Events

Collinsville-January 19,20,21 Seminar "God's Blueprint for the Home" Brochure on bulletin board

Dongola-4th Sunday singing January 28 @ 2:30

A Good Return

In Luke 15 there is the familiar parable of the prodigal son, the story where the son takes his inheritance early runs off, wastes the money on wild living, hits bottom and returns home. When the son returns home, the boy finds that his father is still waiting for his return, while his older brother is more concerned with himself. Luke is the only gospel writer that includes this particular parable and he places it next to the parable of the lost coin and the lost sheep. In all three parables the message is about how much God cares about sinners and is waiting for their return. In the parable of the lost or prodigal son, which character do you most identify with? Are you the son who wants to strike out on your own and grab as much pleasure as possible leaving your father behind? Perhaps you identify with the father, who wonders if he did the right thing when he allowed the son to leave and spends everyday wondering if he will return. Or, perhaps you identify with the older brother who has spent all his life doing what his father wanted on the outside and thinking about how things would benefit him on the inside. Let's strive to celebrate every time a person turns back toward the Father.

-Steve

Sunday AM Worship 59 Wed Night Contribution \$2640.00