

When Peace Like a River... By Bill Brandstatter

I was raised in northern Illinois. The town I grew up in was on the Illinois River. The river was sometimes calm and quiet. We often sing the song that contains the words, "When peace like a river." If you have ever been to a river when all was quiet the words to that song mean even more. Rivers play a prominent part in the Bible.

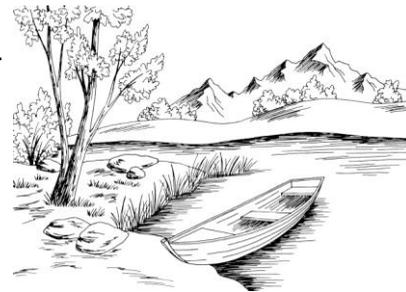
The Nile River played a prominent part in the O.T. Moses was in a basket in the Nile when Pharaoh's daughter found him. (Ex. 2:3) The land promised to Abraham for his posterity was from the river of Egypt to the Euphrates. (Gen. 15:18)

The Jordan River was the river that separated the children of Israel from the Promised Land. Joshua was told by the Lord, "Arise, go over this Jordan, thou and all these people unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel." (Joshua 1:2)

The Euphrates River was one of the great rivers of Asia. In ancient times, the greatest city along its banks was Babylon. It was the eastern boundary of the land of Israel. (Gen. 15:18; 1 Kings. 4:21, 24)

The River of Life appears in the last chapter of the Bible. Revelation 22 begins with the picture of a pure river of life proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. On either side of this river was the tree of life. (Rev. 22:1, 2) I want to be there someday, don't you? That river will give me peace and calm. I will see the face of our Lord. (Rev. 22:4) Thousands will make the journey to this river.

The man who is truly blessed is like a tree "planted by the rivers of water that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither. (Ps. 1:3) This is a picture of the man "who does not walk in the counsel of the ungodly or sit in the seat of the scornful. His delight is in the law of the Lord." (Ps, 1:1, 2) Living like this will help me get to the river mentioned in Revelation 22. Let us obey God and live a life acceptable to Him. In doing so we shall find peace and calm for our souls. (Mt. 11:29; Rev. 14:13)



Brushy church of Christ
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The Brushy Beacon

"Let Christ Live in You in 2022"
September 11, 2022

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study	9:00
Sunday Morning Service	10:00
Sunday Evening Service	6:00
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00

The church of Christ at Brushy

Elders	Deacons
Ricky Atkinson	Paul Johnston Terry Banks
James Atkinson	Kevin Johnston Justin Atkinson
Tony Duncan	Caleb Truett

Preacher: Kevin Johnston

Father, Son, Holy Spirit by Garreth L. Clair

FATHER – 1 Peter 1:2-3 – 2 "according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied. 3 Blessed (be) the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his great mercy begat us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,"

SON – 1 Peter 1:3 "Blessed (be) the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his great mercy begat us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,"

Holy Spirit – John 14:23-26 – 23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my word: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. 24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my words: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's who sent me. 25 These things have I spoken unto you, while (yet) abiding with you. 26 but the Comforter, (even) the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said unto you.

Luke 12:12 – for the Holy Spirit shall teach you in that very hour what ye ought to say.

FATHER, SON, HOLY SPIRIT IN THE CREATION

Genesis 1:1-2 – In the beginning God created the Heaven and the earth. 2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

REFERENCE TO JESUS – "THE WORD" John 1:1-4 – In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him; and without him was not anything made that hath been made. 4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

GOD IS THREE - Matt 3:16-17 – 16 And Jesus when he was baptized, went up straightway from the water: and lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove, and coming upon him; 17 and lo, a voice out of the heavens, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

BAPTIZED INTO THE "TRINITY" - Matthew 28:18-20 -18 And Jesus came to them and spoke unto them, saying, all authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: 20 teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.



Family News and Notes

Visitors If you are visiting with us today, we want to hear from you. We are thankful for your presence. Please fill out a Visitor card and leave it in your seat.

Monthly Fellowship Meal We will have our monthly fellowship meal on Wednesday, September 14, at 6 P.M. There is a menu on the bulletin board. We hope you'll make plans to attend!



You're Invited to the Golden Age Banquet You're in for a special treat this year as we go back to the 1950's! We hope you'll make plans to join us at Mike's Diner, aka Brushy Annex Buidling, for a mystery dinner on Saturday, September 17, at 5 P.M. Feel free to dress in 50's attire. Anyone planning to attend, please sign the sheet on the table in the back.

Golden Age Banquet Meeting...following morning worhsip today in the Ladies Classroom. All those helping this year need to attend as we organize last minute details and decide on skit practice times.

New Playground Equipment Construction is underway for a new swingset to the left of the building. Upon it's completion, there will be 6 swings and a slide. We ask that children not play near the construction area until it's completed. A big thanks to all who are working on this project.

Fall Skeet Shoot We will have our Skeet Shoot on Saturday, October 1, at the Home of Rodney and Tessa Tucker. We will begin the day with breakfast at the Annex Building at 8 a.m. There is a menu on the bulletin board for the breakfast. We will travel to the Tucker's after breakfast. You will need to bring your own gun and ammo. The skeets will be provided. Jim Brooks will doing our Devotion. There will be crafts for the kids as well. All ages are invited to attend!

Skeet Shoot Shirts We will be ordering shirts for our skeet shoot on October 1. There is a signup sheet for shirts on the table. Please write down your name & shirt size by September 18.

A Happy Birthday to... Todd Freeman...September 13 Louise Adams...September 15
Laynie Brown...September 15 David Grimes...September 16

A Happy Anniversary to... Tony & Cathy Duncan...September 17

Our Deepest Sympathies... to the family and friends of Eddie Pigue. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Lynn, and their children & granchildren. Visitation with family and friends will be Tuesday September 13, 2022, from 9:00-1:00 pm at First Baptist Church in Hohenwald. A celebration of life service will begin at 1:00 following visitation.

Patriot Day... is a holiday observed in the United States on September 11 to commemorate the lives of those who died in the 2001 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Virginia and those who perished when the hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 crashed in Pennsylvania. May we never forget the victims, survivors, families, and the sacrifices that were made by first responders on that day.



John 15:13

"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."

Pray for Those Sick Among Us...

Carl Bryant continues to improve every day.

Kim Freeman is doing well after another treatment.

David Love is recovering at home.

Jo Atkinson will have hip replacement surgery on Wednesday, September 14.

Glenda Tanner will have knee replacement surgery on Wednesday, September 14.

Deborah Roberts daughter of Glenda Tanner, continues to recover after surgery.

Christie Tanner daughter of Glenda Tanner, will go back to the doctor on September 29.

Jeremy Gilbert is improving in Vanderbilt Hospital.

Evelyn Barr daughter of Corbin & Lauren, is in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in South Carolina.

Byron Tucker is recovering after having shoulder surgery last week.

Continuing Prayer Requests

Dealing with Cancer

Aaron Bell Walter Gilbert
Brandon Payeur Juanita King
Glen Herrington

Special Requests

Scottie Simmons Kevin Lawson Fred Bowman
Deborah Brazil Ryan Horton William Kirby
Arthur Donaldson Claud & Glenda Teet Jeff Lynn

Pray for Those in Nursing Homes

Dickson Nursing Home... Larry Donaldson Life Care Centerville... Frances Qualls
Lewis County Nursing Home... Lee Freese, Charlene Farr

Ongoing Prayer Reminders

- All in the military and civil workers overseas and their families right.
- All those Preaching and teaching the Good News all over the world. (
- Our Government Leaders – Local, State, and National (1 Timothy 2:1-2).
- Our Elders and Deacons who oversee, care for, serve, and feed us spiritually. (Hebrews 13:7)

Upcoming Events

*Wednesday, September 14 ~ Monthly Wednesday Meal at 6 P.M.

*Saturday, September 17 ~ Golden Age Banquet at 5 P.M.

*Saturday, October 1 ~ Skeet Shoot at the Home of Rodney & Tessa More Details to Follow

For the Record ...

Sunday Morning Bible Class	45	Sunday Morning Worship	63
Sunday Evening Worship	55	Wednesday Bible Study	40

Ephesians 5:1,2

"Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."