

FAMILY CONCERNS

IN THE HOSPITAL:

BAPTIST MEMPHIS: **Sherri Goode**

BRIGHT GLADE REHAB CENTER: **Herrold Hanson** (Former Member)

LAUDERDALE COMMUNITY LIVING CENTER: **Barb Elkins** (Joint Heirs)

ST. FRANCIS - EAST: **Mike Newell** (Joint Heirs)

CHURCH FAMILY:

Bob Bland (Bereans); **Gerald Bond** (Bereans); **Clinton Brown** (Seekers);

Nicklaus Carter; **Vayna Clements** (Charis); **Jim Curtis** (Bereans); **Cecelia Dennis** (Faith Walk); **Daniel and Lea Ann Flatt** (Joint Heirs); **Vivian Maher** (Joint Heirs);

Emogene Moore (Singles Blended); **Michael and Melanie Semore** (Joint Heirs);

Doris Watson (Singles Blended); **Ruth Ann Weatherington** (Former Member);

Janet Whitworth (Singles Blended); **Rhee Williams** (Joint Heirs)

FAMILY & FRIENDS:

Jo Barber; Bobbie Bradley; Ambreill Brown; Shelia Cason; Shirley Cook; Alicia Clark; Gregory Cooper; Polly Cox; Tyler Densford; Sue Doyle; Michelle Edwards; William (Buddy) Elmore; Margaret Floyd; Tammie Gardner; Kathy Geisel; Danny Ginn; Sherri Goode; Jean Harris; Deborah Hobson; Frank and Karen Johnson; Erick Jones; Mary Ann Lazar, Chelsea McDaniel; Larry McKenzie; Kristen Pack; Donna Rike; Bill Scott; Murray Seratt; Wilma Shinley; Terra Singletarry; David Whiteside; Sean Whitworth; Willie Williams; Angela Yates

IN THE MILITARY:

John Berger (Army National Guard); Quadrell Brumfield (Airforce); Jeffrey Cigrang (Navy); Major Jennifer Conk (Airforce); Major Ryan Conk (Airforce); James Cooper (Army); Major Lauren Cotney (Air Nat. Guard); Col. Whitney Gardner (Army); Brooks Gatlin (National Guard); Sgt. Tommy Glasscock (National Guard); John Grady (Army National Guard); Major Aaron Hines (Air Force-abroad); Major Stefan Lockton (Army); Jesse James Lucas (Airforce); Jackson Nelms (Army National Guard); Gerri Ripple (Navy-abroad); Jacob Robinson (Army); Paul T. Robinson (Army); Shawn Royer (Army); Jacob Tomlinson (Army National Guard); Col. Clarence David Turner (Army)

ON THE MISSION FIELD:

- **Bruce, Janet, and Annie Bates** (Cumberland, RI)
- **Caleb, Fran, Abigail, Elizabeth, Ruth, and Mariam Borchers** (Providence, RI)
- **Colette Daugherty** (Meudon, France)
- **Arlin and Pamela Hendrix** (Meyzieu, France)
- **William and Helena Horace** (Providence, RI)
- **Frank and Gladys Hotorwoshie** (Accra, Ghana)
- **Ananias Moses** (Gaborone, Botswana)
- **Ralph and Twyla Williams** (Moduli, Tanzania)

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday, 6.16

AM Worship Services..... 444

AM Classes 310

PM Worship Service 41

Wednesday 6.12 151

CONTRIBUTION:

Sunday, 6.16

Weekly Actual.....\$19,904

Weekly Budget.....\$27,500

Rise Up!

We hope you join us for our summer events:

Sewing Ministry Work Day

Saturday, June 29th in Room G209/210 in the CLC

We will be assembling walker/wheelchair bags.

Church-Wide Picnic

Wednesday, July 3rd at 6:00 p.m. on the Front Lawn

There will be no Wednesday night Bible classes.

Room in the Inn

We will be hosting a group of women on Saturday, July 6th.

To volunteer, please visit <http://bit.ly/volunteerRITI>.

Pray for the Ghana Mission Team

The Ghana mission team will be in Ghana, West Africa until July 2. During their trip, they are working with students and house parents at the Village of Hope and the Pearl House. They are also evangelizing and serving in the villages in which Frank Hotorwoshie, a White Station supported missionary, preaches. The team's big work project this year is planting 250 trees at the Village of Hope during their visit there! This week please be in prayer for each one of our mission team members by name while they are away serving others in countless ways in the name of Jesus.

Brandon Daugherty

Abby Hensley

Grace Jackson

Julia Law

Gabby Massey

Carol Michael

Becca Smith

Josh Tacker

Memorial Park Pre-Planning Seminar

Did you know that the average cost of a funeral and burial is \$25,000? You can avoid over-spending while helping your loved ones by planning ahead. There will be a Pre-Planning Seminar hosted by Allan Bowden, the Family Services Advisor at Memorial Park Funeral Home, on **Thursday, June 27th** at 11:15 a.m. in The Station. Lunch will be provided, so please RSVP to the church office (761-2007) by Monday, June 24th.



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JUNE 23, 2019



“WHAT’S THE POWER OF GODLINESS?”

Honoring Leon and Marilyn Sanderson

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF MINISTRY AT WHITE STATION

This Week at White Station

Fellowship Every Weekday from 8 a.m. to Noon in the Coffee House

MONDAY (6.24)

- ♦ Walking Track open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- ♦ Devotional @ 9:30 a.m. in the Coffee House
- ♦ Community Exercise @ 10 a.m. in the CLC Gym
- ♦ Community Yoga @ 6:15 & 7:30 p.m. in the CLC Gym

TUESDAY (6.25)

- ♦ Walking Track open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- ♦ Volleyball Free Play (Adv.) from 7 to 9 p.m. for ages 18+

WEDNESDAY (6.26)

- ♦ Walking Track open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- ♦ Pickleball from 9 a.m. to Noon in the CLC Gym
- ♦ Open Half-Court Basketball from 2 to 4 p.m.
- ♦ Devotional @ 3 p.m. in the Chapel
- ♦ Pickleball from 8 to 10 p.m. in the CLC Gym

THURSDAY (6.27)

- ♦ Walking Track open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- ♦ Devotional @ 9:30 a.m. in the Coffee House
- ♦ Community Exercise @ 10 a.m. in the CLC Gym
- ♦ Volleyball Free Play from 7 to 9 p.m. for ages 18+

FRIDAY (6.28)

- ♦ Men's Prayer Group at 6:30 a.m. in the Education Building Conference Room
- ♦ Walking Track open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- ♦ Pickleball from 9 a.m. to Noon in the CLC Gym
- ♦ Open Half-Court Basketball from 2 to 4 p.m.

SATURDAY (6.29)

- ♦ Walking Track open from 9 a.m. to Noon
- ♦ Open Half-Court Basketball from 9 a.m. to Noon

To our guests...

Welcome to White Station. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray you will be uplifted by the worship assembly, challenged by today's lesson, and find connection in one of our Bible classes.

If you want to learn more about White Station and how you can join us as we serve God & our city, join us at our next Discovery Worship.

For more information: donmkinder@gmail.com.

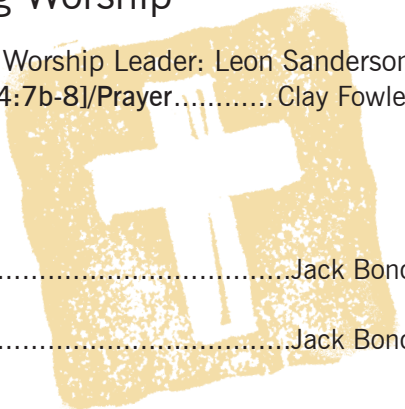
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A staffed nursery is provided for children 0 - 36 months. The nursery is located on the green hallway, Room E112 in the Education Building. Children's Worship will not meet during the summer months but will resume in August.

Sunday Morning Worship

AUDITORIUM Worship Leader: Leon Sanderson
Welcome/Announcements/Scripture [1 Tim. 4:7b-8]/Prayer..... Clay Fowler
Songs: 429 - O, to Be Like Thee
 671 - Purer in Heart, O God
 OS - Holiness
 364 - Come, Share the Lord
Lord's Supper and Offering Jack Bond
Song: 670 - O For a Closer Walk With God
Good Samaritans Offering Jack Bond
Response Time
Response Song: 619 - A New Creature
Song: OS - Find Us Faithful
"What's The Power of Godliness?" Rodney Plunket
Song: 681 - More Holiness Give Me
Closing Remarks/Prayer Jerry Collins



Sunday Evening Worship

CHAPELWorship Leader: Greg Muse
Welcome/Scripture Reading [John 14:1-3]/Prayer Todd Meredith
Songs: 716 - Sing to Me of Heaven
 957 - This World is Not My Home
 860 - There Is a Habitation
"Leading Lives of Holiness and Godliness" Rodney Plunket
Response Song: 528 - I Know That My Redeemer Lives
Lord's Supper and Offering Reggie Jamerson
Song: 867 - To Canaan's Land
Prayer

Thank You

Thank you to the countless volunteers who have helped us prepare to celebrate Leon Sanderson today. When an event centers around someone as amazing as Leon, the yeses come quickly and easily! It has been a joy to see our church family jump in with their gifts and resources to put the day together.

A special thank you goes to **Jarred and Beth Anne Clayton** of Clayton Productions and Rentals in Henderson, TN, for their help in making today's reception so special. They went above and beyond, providing many extra items to us at no cost, in order to help us create a beautiful event honoring Leon.

WHAT ABOUT WEDNESDAY?

- @ 3:00 p.m. — **Rusty Adair** in the Chapel
- @ 6:30 p.m. — **Women's Summer Series** in G209/210
Iglesia de Cristo in the Chapel
One Another (Men's Class) in G206
Peak of the Week in G201
Sanctuary (Youth Group) in the Station
Children (age 3 - 6th grade) in the Educational Building

FROM DON MEREDITH, ON BEHALF OF THE ELDERS

Leon Sanderson

Leon B (an initial he added to his name after he became an adult) Sanderson was born in Springfield, MO (9/25/34). His father, Lloyd O. Sanderson (May 18, 1901-January 17, 1992), preached for eleven different congregations from 1924 into the 1990s and preached in many gospel meetings, but is most well-known for his work in hymnology. He wrote 400 to 500 songs or hymns, edited several hymn books for congregational use, and trained over 1,700 song leaders in the churches of Christ in thirty-five years of teaching in singing schools. Leon's mother, Rena Raye, died on August 18, 1984, at the age of 83 (b. March 15, 1901) from injuries received from being struck by a car as she and L.O. crossed the street in front of their house. Leon's sister Lloydene (Mrs. Glenn R. Wall) died of cancer on August 2, 1984. Leon endowed a scholarship in memory of his parents and his sister in 1992 at Harding School of Theology. He has one daughter, Melody Ann, and two sons, Michael Leon and Murray Lloyd. He married Marilyn Cobb on July 8, 1983.

Leon was obviously influenced by his Father's interest in hymns. He dedicated his 1986 booklet of hymns *Sing and Praise* to his father, "who has encouraged in every musical endeavor and inspired with his own songs and life." In his early teens, he led songs on Wednesday evenings with other young men in Little Rock where his Father preached. At a young age, he traveled with his father to his singing schools and began teaching in those two-week schools as a teenager. He was also part of a quartet that sang new songs at the singing schools as a method of teaching these new hymns to the students. Leon began to preach in 1951. He led singing for gospel meetings, college lectureships, area-wide singings, retreats, and other special events. He also conducted seminars and classes for those interested in learning more about hymns, how to sing, how to be a better song leader, and how to improve congregational singing. He edited three editions of *Sing and Praise* (1986, 1991, 1995) published by the Church of Christ at White Station. Among other hymns, they contained 17 hymns he wrote on passages of Scripture and 5 for which he composed the music. Two of the latter were included in L.O. Sanderson's Christian Hymns, no. 3 published in 1966. Leon taught a course in hymnology at two Canadian schools associated with the churches of Christ: one time each at Western Christian College and Great Lakes Bible College.

Leon considers himself a life-long learner. He says very little about his education, but he received a B.A. in speech from Harding University (1954), a B.S. in church music from the University of Memphis (1959), and the following degrees from Harding School of Theology: M.A. (1956), Master of Religious Education (1963), Master of Divinity (1998), and Doctor of Ministry (2007). He received the academic award among the Doctor of Ministry recipients at his graduation in 2007. He uses this education very effectively in all the ministries he's involved in.

Leon has served Memphis churches of Christ in several capacities. Upon his graduation from Harding University, he began his first full-time ministry in Memphis as the first associate minister at Highland Street Church of Christ where he served for eight years (1955-1963). His responsibilities included leading singing, visiting those in hospitals, teaching classes, and serving as the contact with the Koinonia Club, the precursor of the campus ministry at the University of Memphis. Thus, he became the first campus minister of what is now called SOMA. While at Highland, he directed a choral group that recorded hymns for a weekly radio program. He also served as choral director at Memphis Harding Academy, 1958-1961. Leon was full-time minister at Holmes Road Church in Memphis, 1963-1972. At the invitation of Charles Coil, he left there to teach Bible at International Bible College (now Heritage Christian University) in Florence, Alabama, and also to serve as registrar, and directed the chorus. While he was in Florence, he served as worship leader 1½ years at the Darby Drive congregation and 2½ years at the Northwood Hills congregation. In 1976, he returned to preach part-time at Park Avenue Church of Christ in Memphis. Leon taught Bible at Harding Academy, 1976-1987.

Leon Sanderson, continued...

Leon came to the Church of Christ at White Station as associate minister on July 15, 1979. He worked part-time until becoming full-time in 1987. He has served White Station for 40 years as associate minister under five different ministers. His consistent service has been an important positive factor through all of our changes. As one former member remarked, "He was the glue that held White Station together in all its transitions." He has used his talents in many different ways. As the most well-known living hymnologist in our fellowship, White Station has been fortunate to have him lead singing and be involved in worship planning. He began ThankSinging on the Sunday before Thanksgiving during the first year he was at White Station, has preached and led singing at funerals, and has arranged for groups to sing at funerals and at nursing and retirement homes.

His multi-faceted ministry has included teaching Bible classes, organizing LIFE groups, launching the Involvement Ministry, beginning the weekly business luncheon in 1993, and creating the Senior Adult Ministry. He has coordinated and been on the teaching rotation for the Wednesday morning Bible class at Town Village since White Station assumed responsibility for this program about five years ago. He has coordinated White Station Bible classes to conduct the first Sunday morning worship service at Kirby Pines, presented devotional thoughts for the Community Life Center, hosted the monthly birthday lunch in the CLC, and maintained a rotation of people to serve in the sound booth for the Sunday night chapel service. More importantly, Leon has been a smiling face who visits hospitals and nursing homes, shows up to pray for members before surgery, calls them on their birthday, and develops friendships with visitors to the CLC.

Throughout the years, Leon has maintained a special relationship with Harding School of Theology. At one time, he held all of the degrees (4) offered at HST. He was named its alumnus of the year in 2008. On October 8, 2011, the HST Leadership Council honored him for his 60+ years in ministry. He composed the music for the school's Alma Mater, served as chair of the HST Alumni Association, served on the Lewis Scholarship committee that determined the recipient of the full scholarship honoring Dr. Jack Lewis, frequently attended chapel and led singing, and has written at least three hymns based on the school's theme of the year.

Leon has been an important promoter of unity among congregations in the Memphis area and a leader in cooperative events. In September 1991, White Station began a twice-a-year pulpit exchange and fellowship meal with the Norris Road Church of Christ. Leon was instrumental in the continuance of this event for over 20 years. On April 6, 2019, at the annual M.A. Hull scholarship banquet Leon received the M.A. Hull Award for distinguished service in ministry. This annual banquet raises money for ministry training for African Americans in partnership with HST. Leon was involved in the "Mid-South Training for Service Series" held in Memphis, 1959-1988. He directed the series in 1967 and led singing at some of the series. Leon was on the steering committee and instrumental in beginning the "Growing by Sharing Series" that succeeded the "Mid-South Training for Service Series" in 1989. This continued through April 1994. He was one of the planners of the Area-Wide Worship Service, which began in October 1993 and continued for about 15 years.

The speakers at the 2011 Harding School of Theology dinner honoring Leon were consistent in their admiration for him. Almost all of them mentioned his gift of encouragement and servant heart. Leon is a people person with an ever-present smile. Dr. Harold Bowie, long-time President and CEO of Memphis Harding Academy, mentioned that in the 50 years he had known Leon Sanderson, he had never heard a negative comment about him. He suggested that in making decisions, it would be wise to modify the 1990s motto from WWJD to WWLD, "What would Leon do?" Thank you, Leon for your 40 years of service at White Station, your influence for unity in Memphis, and the significant contributions you have made to congregational singing in the Churches of Christ.