


# The Wingate Winner



Wingate Church of Christ

*“Dedicated - To Making a Difference”*

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## A SIN BY ANY OTHER NAME

Joseph found himself in a difficult position one day when his master’s wife attempted to seduce him. How tantalizing this woman must have been to a healthy young man! And it must have occurred to Joseph how fearsome her wrath would be when he spurned her advances.

Yet Joseph flatly resisted her. His moral convictions stemmed from his clear view of sin and his reverence for God. He said to her, “How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?” (Gen. 39:9).

Today, it is popular to call sin by more acceptable names. But using euphemisms for offenses against God will only weaken our resistance and trivialize sin’s harmfulness to

us. To Joseph, sin was not just “an error of judgment.” Nor was it a mere “slip of the tongue” or an “indiscretion” in a “moment of weakness.” Joseph saw sin for what it was—a serious offense against the Lord—and he did not play down the gravity of the offense.

God’s moral standards are absolute. It is only when we see sin as something abhorrent to the Lord that we will be motivated to make right moral judgments.

Calling sin by a softer name will change neither its offensiveness to God nor its cost to us.

*- Drew Crosby*

## FROM THE DESK OF DREW

Have you ever wondered how you will get to church on Sundays? Have you ever thought I sure would like to go to church today, but I can’t because I don’t have a ride? Most of have never had to entertain any of those thoughts or if we have it was only for a moment. However, there are many who are left with those questions every week of their life. That is where we come in. The church and it’s beautiful new bus leave out on Sunday’s to pick up those who wish to be here to worship but have no other form of transporta-

tion. Here’s where you come in. We are in need of more volunteers to help drive the church bus on Sundays. This is an excellent way for someone to become more involved in the work here at Wingate. This is just the opportunity for someone who wanted to do more for the Lord in 2009! If you are interested in helping in this ministry see Bill McCord!

This Sunday we will like at a very timely lesson, “Don’t Get Bitter, Get Better.” Make your plans to be here this Sunday as we worship our Heavenly Father together!

Sunday Sermons:

AM: **Don’t Get Bitter, Get Better** (*Hebrews 12:14-15*)

PM: **I Don’t Like My Options** (*2 Kings 5:1-17*)

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

### Hospital:

Gayla Collins, daughter of **Bonnie Walton**, is in Bordeaux, room 214; she is not doing well.

**Joe Daugherty** is in Centennial, room 7132

Mary Ramey, mother of **Barbara Grimes**, in Indiana

### Home:

**Grace Akin, Kim Armstrong, George Borden, Marvin Bridges** has shingles, **Martha Brooks** had an EMG and myelogram on her hand & spine Fri., Jan. 16, **Virginia Burk**, Jean Bures (daughter of **Petey & Mary Watts**) had an arteriogram Mon., Jan. 19, Betty Jo Burke (wife of **Paul Burke**), Gayla Collins (daughter of **Bonnie Walton**), Clara Cunningham (former member) is still not able to put her weight on her foot, Judy Flatt (mother of **Lisa Cummins**), Gloria Gill (mother of **Steve Gill**), Carolyn Gipson (mother of **Randy Gipson**) is staying with her daughter, Carol Goodwin (cousin of **Alicia Williams**), Hal Jones (brother of **Dale Jones**), Paula Ladd (daughter-in-law of **Dot Ladd**), **Wilbert Major, Bob Markum, Kathleen Martin** had breast mastectomy surgery at St. Thomas on Mon., Jan. 12, to remove a cancerous tumor; she is now home recovering, **Buddie Savage** had a mild stroke Thurs., Jan. 15, **Raymond Sexton, Dot Smith, Mary Lou Tignor** (sister of **Barbara Thweatt & sister-in-law of Myla Mullican**), **Evelyn Tynes**

### Taking Treatments or Therapy:

Becki Crosby (mother of **Drew Crosby**), Tammy Curtis (daughter-in-law of **Elizabeth Curtis**), **Katherine W. Davis**, Juanita Fuqua (mother of **Gale Anderson**), Rebecca Gray (stepmother of **Jason Gray**) Vanderbilt Stallworth, room 3223-B, Jimmie Hamm (daughter-in-law of **Joe & Jewell Hamm**) is not doing well, **Janice Holland, Joyce Hollis, Ruth Hudson** is in Bethany for rehab after having a stroke, Robert McMurtry (father of **Daryl McMurtry**), **Gladys Miller**, Susie Motheral (niece of **Paul Bennett**), Joe Nichols (former deacon & youth leader) 1363 Kendrick Rd, Eldridge, AL 35554, **Albert Ragland** is in Richland, room 303-B 500 Elmington Ave., 37205 (CARDS ONLY - no visits or phone calls at this time), **Edmund Ragland, Landis Sexton** (brother of **Raymond Sexton**), Bob Tignor (brother of **Myla Mullican & brother-in-law of Barbara Thweatt**)

### Thank you notes posted on the bulletin board from:

Joe Nichols

**“When one door closes another door opens. We often look so longingly, so regretfully upon the closed door that we fail to see the one which swings open to us!”**

## Upcoming Events:

**Sun., Jan. 25:** 4:00 pm **Secret Sisters**

**Sun., Feb. 8:** 1:00 pm **Elders, Deacons & Ministers meeting** in Fellowship Room

**Sat., Feb. 14:** 12:00 noon **Senior Married Couples Sweetheart Luncheon**

## Youth:

**Sun., Jan. 25:** Meeting of all Youth & parents in the Activity Center after the evening service

**Sat., Feb. 14:** Youth need to be in the Activity Center around 11:00 am to help with the **Senior Married Couples Sweetheart Luncheon**

## Lads to Leaders

There will be a meeting Sunday, January 25, from 3 - 5 pm for the puppet teams. Songs of Praise will meet from 5 till 6 pm. If you need more information see Eddie or Kelley Clemons.

### It's Just How You Look At It

When I look at a cluster of dandelions, I see a bunch of weeds that are going to take over my yard. My kids see flowers for the elderly neighbor lady or little white balloons that float in the wind as you blow on them.

When I feel wind on my face, I brace myself against it. I think of the cold weather to come. Our kids close their eyes, spread their arms and fly with it, until they fall to the ground laughing.

When I pray, I'm serious, I use formal words. I ask for healing, assistance, or forgiveness. My kids say, "Hi God! Thanks for my toys and my friends. Please keep the bad dreams away tonight."

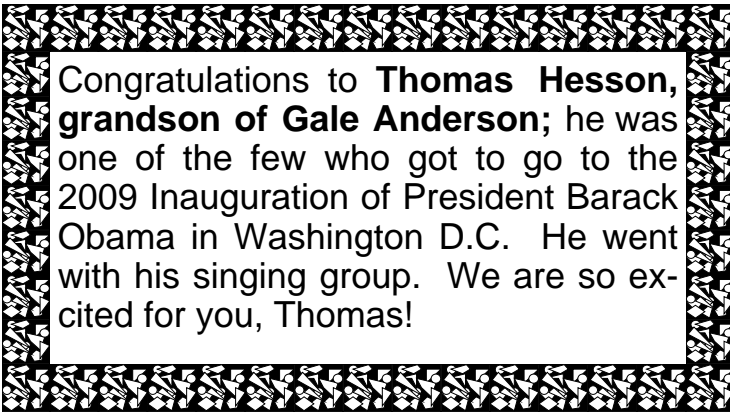
When I see a mud puddle I step around it. I see muddy shoes and floors that need to be mopped. My kids sit in it. They see dams to build, rivers to cross and worms to play with.

When I look at a hobo and he smiles at me, I see a smelly, dirty person who probably wants money and I look away. My kids see someone smiling at them and they smile back.

I wonder if we are given kids to teach...or to learn from?

No wonder God loves the little children and Jesus says "unless you're like this little child..." (Luke 18:17)

It is my prayer that we can see Dandelions, wind, prayer, mud puddles and people like our kids do.



Congratulations to **Thomas Hesson**, grandson of **Gale Anderson**; he was one of the few who got to go to the 2009 Inauguration of President Barack Obama in Washington D.C. He went with his singing group. We are so excited for you, Thomas!

## Secret Sisters



New Secret Sister swap this Sunday, January 25 at 4 pm, please fill out a new form for Secret Sister; they are on the white table in the foyer; after filling them out please put them in the basket. You can also bring your last gift to her when you are revealed this Sunday.

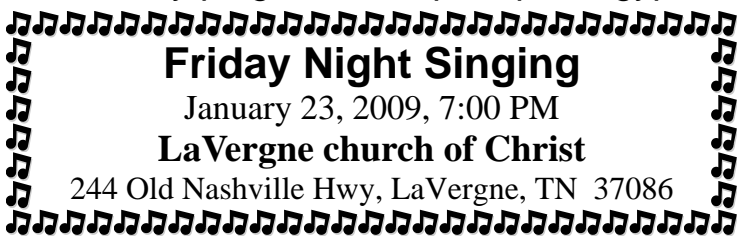
**“Anyone who loves his opinions more than he does his brethren will defend his opinions and destroy his brethren.”**

*HAVE YOU READ YOUR BIBLE TODAY?*

## KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Last weeks answer: On a platter (Matthew 14:8)

How many plagues were put upon Egypt?



## Friday Night Singing

January 23, 2009, 7:00 PM

LaVergne church of Christ

244 Old Nashville Hwy, LaVergne, TN 37086

## Remember Our Shut-Ins

Orbert Anderson, Marie Appleton, Ed Binkley, Bonnell Brake, Virginia Burk, Joe Daugherty, Grace Foreman, Lavelle Lancaster, Claiborne Pulley, Annie Laura Waggoner, Virginia Watts, Ruby Young

## Remember Our Assisted Living

Geneva Bolton, Katherine W. Davis, Rebecca Dodd, Gloria Gill (mother of Steve Gill), Farris Snoddy, Bonnie Walton

## Youth & Parents:

The Elders will have a meeting with all of our **YOUTH & THEIR PARENTS** this Sunday, January 25, after the evening service in the Activity Center. Our youth are very important to the Elders and to the Wingate members; they are our future. Please make plans to attend.

## PATIENCE

**True patience means waiting without worrying.**

**Patience is accepting a difficult situation without giving God a deadline to remove it.**

**Patience is the best remedy for most trouble.**

**Don't force issues. Learn to wait and be patient.**

**Bear the hen's crackle for the sake of the egg. Little annoyances must be put up with because of great advantages.**

## Run For Your Life

There is an old fable about a dog that boasted of his ability as a runner. One day he chased a rabbit but failed to catch it. The other dogs ridiculed him. He retorted, "Remember, the rabbit was running for his life, but I was only running for the fun of it."

People play games for fun. In fact, the basic reason for playing them is just that; fun and amusement. Too many times we find that Christians are just playing the game and are not really serious about their soul's salvation. Christianity is a game of life - eternal life. If we play it like a game, however, we will find ourselves losing - just like the dog that was running for the fun of it.

# Privilege To Serve

**January 25, 2009**

## **9:00 A.M.**

IN CHARGE: Petey Watts  
READ SCRIP: Austin Grimes  
SONG DIR: Petey Watts  
VAN DRIVER: Bill West

## **10:00 A.M.**

SONG DIR: Dan Collins  
IN CHARGE: Bill Tice  
CHG. TABLE: Eddie Clemons  
PRESIDE: Willis Wells

## **LORD'S SUPPER/EAST:**

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| 1. Kenneth Hawkins | 2. Shane Jackson |
| 5. Nick Clemons    | 6. B J Dye       |

## **LORD'S SUPPER/WEST:**

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| 1. Adam Medley | 2. Mack Quick |
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**ANNOUNCER:** Scott Grimes

**AUDIO VISUAL:** Jason Gray

**USHERS:** Dee Bonds - Jeremy Medley  
Larry Tucker - Henry Watts

## **DOOR GREETERS:**

Dorris & Barbara Thweatt

## **COUNT CONTRIBUTION:**

Walter Clemons & Wayne Clemons

**BETHANY:** Barry Chance

## **5:00 P.M.**

IN CHARGE: L D. Mullican  
SONG DIR: Dan Collins  
PARKING SECURITY: Joe M. Hamm

## **Prepare Trays for January:**

Eddie & Kelley Clemons

**STATISTICS:** January 18, 2009

BIBLE STUDY - 127

A.M. - 178 P.M. - 106

CONTRIBUTION: \$4,514

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$5,200

WEDNESDAY, January 14 - 102

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## Schedule of Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....9:00 AM  
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM  
Sunday Evening Worship.....5:00 PM  
Wednesday Ladies Bible Class (Sept - April).....10:30 AM  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....7:00 PM

## Elders:

Dan Collins

Bill McCord

Mike Sullivan

Bill Tice

## Minister:

Drew Crosby

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