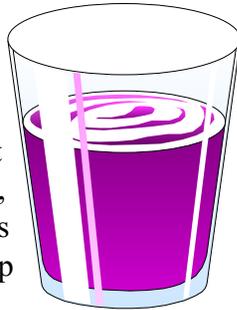


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You certainly are familiar with the age-old discussion as to whether a glass is half empty or half full. Some say one is a pessimist if stating the glass is half empty and an optimist if seeing the glass as half full. It really does not matter what your perspective is, but one thing is certain, when the building is either half empty or half full during a worship service, it indicates half-hearted attitudes.



No doubt we all have busy schedules with jobs, families, and all the other responsibilities of life, but the Lord must come first. We need to be at the worship services. The Lord said in Matthew 6:33, *“But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness. . .”* Hebrews 10:25 says, *“Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”*

Granted, there will be times when one may not be able to attend due to an illness, a death in the family, or some other occurrence, but that is certainly the exception and not the rule. How many Christians do you know of who have not missed a service in years— maybe

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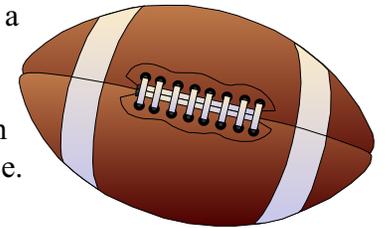
even decades? Are they any different from anyone else? Don't they ever get sick? The difference is in their attitude and determination. They get sick, but they press on when the illness is minor or they simply don't feel good. Other things happen, but the worship services come first.

Do we really enjoy and anticipate the worship service or is it drudgery to attend? Can we say with all sincerity the words of Psalm 122:1, *“I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.”*

—Marty Edwards



Iattended my first University of Tennessee football game. It was great! Being a student of human nature and psychology, I learned several things at the game— basically, how we can boost our worship service attendance. Here is what I have come up with:



1. We're going to replace our cushioned pews with steel benches and remove the backs.
2. We're going to make people sit very close to each other— especially close to those we don't know.
3. We're going to let those who smoke sit in front of those that don't and blow smoke back in their faces.
4. We're going to take the top off the building. There must be something about having a top on the building that keeps people from coming.

News

—Continue to remember **Jean Coffey, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry, Audrey Terry, Vicki McDaniel and Alroy & Lois McDaniel. Mark Crabtree** has been having a lot of problems with gout but is doing better.

—This Sunday marks 19 years that Ruby and I have been with the Munfordville congregation. I started preaching here the first Sunday in September, 1992.

—Tonight will be our first-Sunday singing.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Kerry & Vicki McDaniel — September 5
Mylaka Quigley — September 11
Mark Quigley — September 24
Vicki McDaniel — September 27

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5. We're going to have someone holler real loud into the loud speaker. I guess that will be me, since I'm the preacher.
6. Oh yeah, one last thing— we're going to make everyone pay \$20 to get in— even before they know the outcome.

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| Sunday, August 28, 2011 | | |
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| Classes | 10 | Luke 9:18-36 |
| Preaching | 24 | The Blood of Christ (Hebrews 10) |
| Contribution | \$315.00 | |
| Evening | 13 | Amos 3:1-4:13 |
| Wednesday, August 31, 2011 | | |
| Classes | 18 | Numbers 31:1-54 |

Visitors— Aug 28 (AM) April Thompson (Hardyville, KY) Brent Goad (Glasgow, KY)

Bible Quiz

The LORD said he would smite the winter house with what?

Last Week's Answer— Dust (Amos 2:7)

UT is second only to the University of Michigan in attendance at football games. Michigan averages 105,000 and UT averages 95,000. One more thing— we're going to change our services to last three hours. With these changes, you'd better come early next Sunday to get a good parking place!

—Larry Acuff (via Berryville, AR bulletin) ❖

—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)