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## Future Programs

**Sundays 6:30 am**

**Mondays 10:30 pm**

### May

22/23 How Can I Overcome  
Worry?

29/30 How Can I Change My  
Life?

### June

5/6 Living in God's Presence.

12/13 How Can I Live More  
Positively?

19/20 What's Happening in  
Our World?

26/27 How Can I Improve My  
Prayer Life?

### July

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Believe?

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to Us Today?

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24/25 Who Is a Christian?

**WNPX-28**

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Serving Middle Tennessee  
and south-central Kentucky

Reaching

1.8 million homes

More than 3 million people

# God's Answers to Life's Questions



## Your Neighbor Next Door!

You just never know about your neighbor next door. They may be a member of the Lord's church, and you don't know it.

Even if your neighbor doesn't go to church, he may have an interest in the Lord and his church. He may have once attended the church of Christ. He might be interested in attending again.

The Gallup organization and the 2000 U.S. Census say 2.5 million Americans claim the churches of Christ as their religious affiliation. Yet the total number of adherents (members and their families) in the 2003 directory of churches of Christ is 1,656, 575. That means there are more than 800,000 members not attending church.

There are 1,479 churches of Christ in Tennessee with 169,992 members. If the percentage of non-attending members is correct, that means there are more than 80,000 Tennesseans, mem-

bers of the church, who aren't attending worship services.

There are 623 churches in Kentucky with 46,446 members. If the percentage holds, there would be more than 23,000 Kentuckians, members of the church of Christ, not attending worship services.

Your neighbor may not now be ready to attend again, but there is something you can do. You can encourage him/her to watch this program. It may just be what they need to stimulate a change in his life in coming days.

Of all people, Christians who have wandered away need to have the hearts encouraged to come back to God. Will you help your neighbor?

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## I Have Left the Church

I got the card Wednesday morning from a sister who had stopped attending church but had been faithfully watching "God's Answers to Life's Questions."

She wrote, "Send me the tape, 'God help me...I am a member of the church. I have left the church... I watch the program all the time. I heard about the program thru one of my friends. Sincerely, (name withheld)."

We are sending audio tapes and printed lessons to our sister, who wants to start attending once again.

We also sent some material encouraging her to recharge her spiritual battery. Life is hard for so many. This program can help others just as it did this sister in middle Tennessee. Please encourage your friends to watch "God's Answers to Life's Questions."

## Great News for Gospel Broadcasting Network

On March 29, 2005, Gospel Broadcasting Network met their goal of raising one million dollars!

These funds enable the network to begin negotiations on some large contracts necessary to launch the network by fall. We announced in the last newsletter that GBN has given us (God's Answers to Life's Questions) tentative approval to be part of their 48 hours of original pro-

gramming each week. Other programs on the network include: In Search of the Lord's Way, Preaching the Gospel, Truth for the World, and the Spiritual Sword Television Ministry.

GBN will take the distinctive preaching and teaching of the Bible into the homes and hearts of millions of people.

GBN will host programs on

the family, programs for children, question and answer formats, and even some Christian humor with Tom Holland.

GBN plans to broadcast on large dish, DirecTV, Dish Network, and possibly cable as time goes by.

Please keep this effort in your prayers! You can find out more about GBN at [www.gbntv.org](http://www.gbntv.org).



## Why Do People Stop Attending Church and What Can We Do About It?

People stop attending church for a variety of reasons.

Some get their feelings hurt by a church leader or member. This offended brother is hard to win back (Prov. 18:19).

Some disagree with the doctrine taught at church and decide to leave (1 John 2:19).

Some allow sin to grow in their lives and lose their love for the Lord. Like Demas, they love this present world more than Jesus (2 Tim. 4:10).

Some feel neglected and forgotten and simply slip away.

Some people go to church as long as it is fun and exciting, but when church demands something hard of them, they slip away (Luke 8:13).

Many people quit because they fill their lives with other activities, which crowds the Lord out of their lives (Luke 8:14).

Most people want to go to heaven and regret losing their relationships with the Lord and with His church.

Some, after quitting, feel so embarrassed by their failure that they avoid former friends who have remained faithful.

While it is true there are some whom we cannot lead to repentance (Heb. 6:6), we can be like a good shepherd and bring back some others.

Here are some suggestions:

*Plant seeds.* Rather than preach a sermon, just plant a thought with

one statement.

*Give a tract or DVD.* When you can't talk, give your friend some material that he/she can explore in private. We'll send one free to your friend. Just tell us what you want and to whom to send it.

*Speak a good word about Jesus, about the church, and about the Bible.*

*Encourage your friend to watch "God's Answers."* Your encouragement might be just the thing to get them thinking about spiritual matters.

*Don't give up!* It may take a while and several attempts to reach a friend. Stay positive and keep trying.

You never know when your effort will bring a lost soul home.

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***It only takes a spark to get a fire going.***

***Tell a friend about this program.***

***You may open a door that lights a fire that will burn for all eternity.***

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