

# “IN GOD WE TRUST”

The 46th Annual  
Memphis School Of Preaching  
Lectureship  
MARCH 25-29, 2012  
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# “WINNING THE GAME OF LIFE”

Annual Youth Day  
FOREST HILL CHURCH OF CHRIST  
Saturday, March 24, 2012  
Registration Begins at 9:00 A.M.

NEWSLETTER FROM MEMPHIS SCHOOL OF PREACHING  
Under the Oversight of the ELDERS  
FOREST HILL CHURCH OF CHRIST  
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## Prayer Offered By Curtis A. Cates At The Opening Of The January 12, 2012 Session Of The Tennessee House Of Representatives

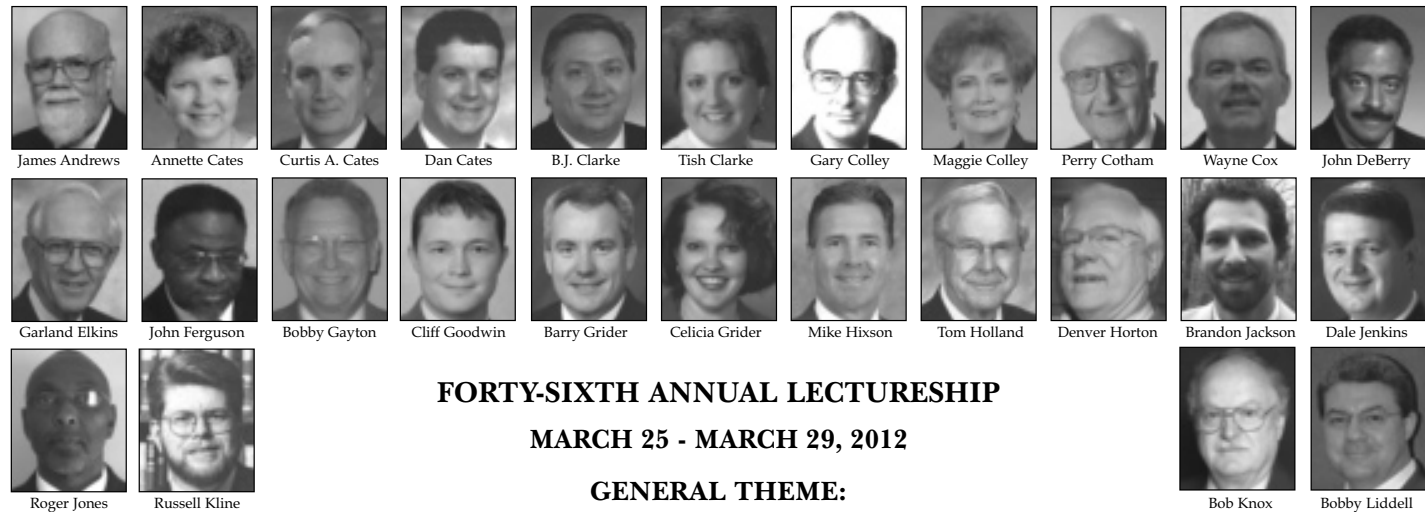
*“Our God and Father in heaven, we thank Thee for this occasion and for the privilege of prayer. In Thee do we trust. We thank Thee for the divine principles upon which our nation was founded and for the tremendous way Thou hast blessed our nation. We are grateful for the great State of Tennessee. We ask thy richest blessings upon this legislative body. Thank Thee for their willingness to give of their time and talents to serve in this very responsible position. Please give them health, wisdom, and understanding to meet the challenges before them. Bless their deliberations. Help us to love our country. We thank Thee for our liberty to do right, to worship thee, and to love our fellow man. O God of our fathers, help the heritage they passed down to us ever to continue. Help us to be good and do thy will. In the name of Jesus our Lord we pray, Amen.”*



Tennessee State Representative, John J. DeBerry, Jr. presenting, to Curtis A. Cates and Bobby Liddell, a copy of the Resolution, honoring the Memphis School of Preaching, by the 107th General Assembly of the House of Representatives of the State of Tennessee.

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**FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL LECTURESHIP**

**MARCH 25 - MARCH 29, 2012**

**GENERAL THEME:**

**“IN GOD WE TRUST”**

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2012**  
 9:30-10:20 A.M. "The Christian's Dual Citizenship" .....David Sain  
 10:30-11:30 A.M. "In God We Trust" .....Barry Grider  
 5:30-6:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 6:00-7:00 P.M. "Therefore: We Believe In Christian Education" .....Joe Wiley

**MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2012**  
 8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "For Salvation" .....Dave Wood  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Whatever Happened to Commitment" .....Perry Cotham; Stephen Sutton  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Proverbs 25:2: A Good Leader Searches for Right Answers" .....John DeBerry  
 LADIES\*\* "As Bible Teachers" (Women Only) .....Celicia Grider  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Court Decisions: Are They Affecting Christian Values?" .....Ken Ratcliff  
 CLASS\* "Therefore We Endure" .....Bob Knox  
 LUNCH  
 11:50-1:30 P.M. "For the Right Church" .....Roger Jones  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. LADIES\*\* "To Endure in Crises" (Women Only) .....Jane McWhorter  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. CLASS\* "Therefore: We Give Him Our Children" .....Mark Mosher  
 CLASS\* "Therefore: Submit Yourself to Every Ordinance of Man" .....Brandon Jackson  
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "God's Justice Satisfied: The Basis for Our Confidence" .....James Andrews  
 4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "Reproach: The Humiliation of a Nation" .....Dan Winkler

**TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012**  
 8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "For Truth" .....Byran Hatcher  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Whatever Happened to Honesty?" .....David Williams  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "For He Has Ordained the Powers that Be" .....Michael Light  
 LADIES\*\* "For Confidence to Be Faithful (1Pet. 3: 1-7)" (Women Only) .....Janet Sanders  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Liberation Theology: How Does it Affect America?" .....Melvin Sapp  
 CLASS\* "Therefore We Are Ready to Every Good Work (Titus 3:1)" .....Wayne Cox  
 LUNCH  
 11:50-1:30 P.M. "Spiritism and the New Age Movement" .....Curtis A. Cates  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. LADIES\*\* "For Educational Values" (Women Only) .....Annette Cates  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. CLASS\* "What Does America Owe God?" .....Dan Cates  
 CLASS\* "For Freedom in Christ" .....Josh McCrary  
 SEMINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AND SUPPORTERS (MSOP CHAPEL)  
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Deuteronomy 4: 5-8" .....Eric Owens

4:15-6:30 P.M. ALUMNI AND FRIENDS DINNER (FELLOWSHIP HALL)  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "Righteousness: The Exaltation of a Nation" .....Tom Holland

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2012**  
 8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "For Mercy" .....Tony DeBerry  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Whatever Happened to Loyalty and Common Courtesy?" .....Russell Kline  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Lessons Learned in Other Nations" .....Larry Reynolds  
 LADIES\*\* "So We Share Our Lives" (Women Only) .....Denise Martin  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "It Takes a Church in the Middle of a Village" .....Dale Jenkins  
 CLASS\* "Therefore: We Oppose Abortion and Homosexuality" .....Riley Nelson  
 LUNCH  
 11:50-1:30 P.M. "Therefore We Love Our Neighbors!" .....John Ferguson  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. LADIES\*\* "So We Evangelize" (Women Only) .....Tish Clarke  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. CLASS\* "Therefore: We Derive Lessons from Ancient Israel" .....B. J. Clarke  
 CLASS\* "Therefore: We Recover From War!" .....Bobby Gayton  
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Therefore: We Train Preachers" .....Bobby Liddell  
 4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "Repentance: The Salvation of a Nation" .....Keith A. Mosher, Sr.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2012**  
 8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "For Grace" .....Norman Spann  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Will God Always Bless America?" .....Paul Sain  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Not Humanism: The Battle for the Mind" .....Garland Elkins  
 LADIES\*\* "For His Blessings" (Women Only) .....Irene Taylor  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Therefore: We Build Up the Local Church" .....Cliff Goodwin  
 CLASS\* "Therefore: We Love Our Brethren" .....Denver Horton  
 LUNCH  
 11:50-1:30 P.M. "For Eternal Life" .....Tom Meade  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "For His Promise of Heaven" (Women Only) .....Maggie Colley  
 LADIES\*\* "His Providence: The Basis of Trust" .....Gary Colley  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. CLASS\* "His Love: The Constant in Our Trust" .....Mike Hixson  
 CLASS\* "Therefore We Ought to Obey God Rather than Men (Acts 5:29)" .....Ed Rodgers  
 INTERMISSION  
 4:15-6:30 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. "Revival: The Restoration of a Nation" .....Robert R. Taylor, Jr.  
 7:00-8:00 P.M.

\* Men's Classes meet in the School Building Room 405  
 \*\* Ladies Classes meet in the FELLOWSHIP HALL.



**REMINISCENCES,  
GRATITUDE, AND  
A SPECIAL REQUEST**

**Curtis A. Cates**

As the year of 2012 has begun and as by the grace of God I near the completion of thirty years with the Memphis School of Preaching, I guess it is natural to reminisce. Perhaps it is to be expected that my mind think about how I feel Knight Arnold/Forest Hill and the School, by the providence of God, have blessed the precious bride of Christ, the church. As the apostle Paul increased in age, he often thought back and expressed endearment and gratitude for those whom he dearly loved in Christ; they were his joy (1 The. 2:20; Phi. 4:1; et al.).

**REMINISCENCES.** What a blessing the Memphis School of Preaching has been since its beginning in 1966! During its more than forty-five years of service, the School has been distinguished by its unswerving loyalty to the old Jerusalem Gospel; it has been an encouragement to brethren who are determined to walk in "the old paths," deviating neither to the left nor to the right. The MSOP has served in educating and preparing dedicated preachers to fill the pulpits of thousands of congregations, not only in the United States but also in countless foreign countries. Through the years, these students have been taught by "men of the Book," enviably qualified both spiritually and academically; and, each instructor has preached locally for numerous years and been student-centered. The School's graduates have been fully prepared to enter the pulpit, virtually all hired before they completed the two-year collegiate course. Also very significant in the School's illustrious history has been the Annual Memphis School of Preaching Lectureship. Begun in 1967, its superb scriptural messages have encouraged and strengthened not only the well over one thousand brethren who attend each year but also myriads more brethren who read and study the splendid lectureship volumes.

**GRATITUDE.** From its beginning, the Memphis School of Preaching has been greatly blessed by the generous support of sound brethren and congregations who have had confidence in the Knight Arnold/Forest Hill elders, confidence in each of the School's directors [Roy J. Hearn (1966-1983); Curtis A. Cates (1983-2007), Bobby Liddell (2007- )], and confidence in the Biblically-sound faculty of the School. We thank the Lord that brethren realize the need to send well-prepared preachers into the fields white unto harvest and, therefore, enable them to be with some sixty other dedicated men and their families where they can together undergo intensive preparation in the School. The School has been very blessed to have wonderful facilities: the building which houses the offices, lecture halls, chapel, etc., the beautiful N. B. Hardeman Library building, the thirty-two commodious units for student housing, et al.; through the generosity of you and other dear friends, they are paid for. Thank you also for the wonderful monthly student support, without which the School could not function. Being in full-time, teacher-contact classes all day Monday through

Friday for the two years, they are not permitted to hold even part-time secular employment. Thus, they must have their living living expenses provided. I wish you could see the wonderful closeness, fellowship, and encouragement you make possible among the students and their wives and children.

**A SPECIAL REQUEST**

*Having been in Christian education for nearly forty-five years, I have long admired and appreciated the fact that brethren will respond to special needs and drives which touch our hearts and challenge us; that is good! Each of us knows, though, that there are some expenses that continue on and on. One of those needs in the Memphis School of Preaching [as in any other such higher education institution] is the "General Fund."*

*It is from the General Fund that additional ongoing expenses must be covered, including office and instructional supplies, copying and printing of teaching materials and school catalogs, publicity and advertising, upkeep of the physical plant, telephone and computers, the annual lectureship, the printing and mailing of the Yokefellow, the Hardeman Library, student housing costs, and other expenses related to the continuous operation of the School.*

*Dear brethren and friends of the MSOP, may I request that you remember this integral part of the School's operations? Before the cold and wet apostle Paul would warm by the fire that the native islanders built for the survivors of the shipwreck, he "gathered a bundle of sticks and laid them on the fire" (Acts 27:43-28:3). Like the area of student support, the "General Fund" fire needs wood regularly placed upon it.*

*Brother, sister, congregation, are you in position to help? We are deeply grateful. Especially, please remember us in your prayers.*

**Please pray about this need, make a generous contribution, and mark your checks: "General Fund." Thanks!**  
 Editor