

Those to Serve

Wednesday Evening, October 6, 2021

AnnouncementsEddie Carter
Lead SingingMike Yopp
First PrayerDanny Lucas
Read Scripture.....Teddy Bodiford
Dismissal Prayer.....Anthony Lucas

Sunday Morning, October 10, 2021

Announcements Eddie Carter
Lead Singing Mike Yopp
First Prayer.....Teddy Bodiford
Read Scripture Ben Hall
Preside at Table.....Sam Ford
Serve Congregation.....
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Dismissal Prayer Bud Stewart
Greeters.....
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Nursery Attendant..... Lasha Hobbs

Sunday Morning, October 17, 2021

AnnouncementsJon Kennedy
Lead Singing Jim Maxwell
First Prayer.....Ben Hall
Read ScriptureNathan Kennedy
Preside at Table Bud Stewart
Dismissal Prayer..... Phil Webster

“Key Men” for October

Sunday AM (Open) Robert Bizzell
Sunday AM (Close)..... Eddie Carter
Sunday PM (Open)
Sunday PM (Close).....
Wednesday PM (Open) Don McAlpin
Wednesday PM (Close).....Ronny Cornelius
Prepare Lord’s Supper

Coming Events

Our **Door Knocking** is rescheduled for this Sunday, October 10 at 2pm. We hope to see you here!
The Memphis School Of Preaching will host the **Sixth Annual World Evangelism Seminar** on October 15-16. Check the lobby board for more information.

Family Matters

Patsy Bodiford had knee surgery and is home improving. Please keep her and Teddy in your prayers.
Savannah Hubbard will have surgery on Tuesday, October 26. Please keep her and Jonathan in your prayers.
Craig Harris was able to be back with us Sunday!
Patricia Carter had her eye infusion earlier this week. Keep her in your prayers.
Mac Vaughn is still in the hospital dealing with several issues as he recovers from heart problems. Please keep **Gail** in your prayers also as she is worn out through all of this.
Sarge Cornelius had to go back to Nashville due to lingering health issues. Please keep her and **Ronny** in your prayers.

Community Matters

Please keep Charles Wiggins, Tommy Billions, Susan Boyd, Stephen Thompson, Bryan Vaughn, Stephanie McDonald, Carmen Stringfellow, Lisa Dukes in your prayers.

Prayer List

Gerald Mills, Bill Craft, Benny Thornton, April McKelvey, Jerry Trainum, Timmy Moore and Royce Jones.
Remember our service men & women in your prayers.
Remember all our missionaries in your prayers.

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Sunday, Oct. 10.....Numbers 3-4
Monday, Oct.11.....2 Chron. 1-4
Tuesday, Oct.12.....2 Kings 22-23
Wednesday Oct. 13Isaiah 14-18
Thursday, Oct. 14 Amos 5-9
Friday, Oct. 15John 3-4
Saturday, Oct. 16James 1-5

Shut-ins

Mary Davis, Rm. C-16, Pine Meadows Healthcare, 700 Nuckolls Rd., Bolivar, TN. 38008.
Lillian Eason, Providence Assisted Living, 700 Moore’s Crossing, Apt. 204, Senatobia, MS. 38668.
Dessrie Sigler, Pine Meadows Healthcare, 700 Nuckolls Rd. Room B-13, Bolivar, TN 38008.

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. Hear the Word of God- Romans 10:17.
2. Believe the Word of God- Mark 16:16.
3. Repent of sins- Acts 17:30-31.
4. Confess Christ- Romans 10:9-10.
5. Be Baptized to wash away sins - Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:20-21; Mark 16:16.
6. Be Faithful unto death- Rev. 2:10.

JEFF’S JOTTINGS

We are happy to announce that **Mike and Angie Yopp and their daughter, Kendall** have placed membership with us here at Middleton! Welcome Home!

The ladies meet at 10am on Tuesday’s in the annex for a short devotional and send out cards. All ladies are invited!

It’s Up To Me!

**I cannot change others
But I can change me,
I must learn to focus on
Being the best I can be.**

**When I change my outlook
And improve through and through
Amazingly I find
That others get better too. -Edd Sterchi**

If It Smells Like a Skunk

Last week when entering the church building we were met with an all-too-familiar odor. Unfortunately, some of us know firsthand just how bad a skunk can really smell.

Whether you’ve encountered a skunk one-on-one or not, when you smell the distinctive odor produced by these little varmints, you can immediately identify it. If it smells like a skunk, then it probably is a skunk.

Sin is like that. If some action or emotion feels like it could possibly be sinful, then there’s a good chance that it probably is:

— If it feels like pride, then it probably is
—If it sounds like gossip, then it probably is
—If it seems to be petty, then it probably is
—If it feels lukewarm, then it probably is
— If it looks like it might be a sin...

You get the idea. The Christian life is a constant growing experience and God want us to continue to learn about Him and His will through study and meditation of His Word.

Outlined in the Scriptures are corrections and guidance to help us avoid the stench of sin. “And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ,” (Philippians 1:9-10).

-Jay Launius

Five Wise Points!

I love sitting and listening to older, wiser folks than myself. I love history and learning it from people who lived it. The proverbial writer acts as a father to us and treats you and I as “sons and daughters” who are learning.

As disciples of Jesus, that’s exactly what we are doing and we constantly sit in the learner seat. Thank God for wise fathers who taught us what to do right. Even so, for those of us who had no good fatherly example in life, we learned what “not” to do.

I wanted to share some of the wise words and sayings I’ve heard in the first 35 years of life.

1. When you hear a kind word spoken about a friend, pass it along (Proverbs 3:27; Galatians 6:10). If it’s a negative word, keep it to yourself.

2. As a man, spoil your spouse, not your children (2 Samuel 12:3, 8; Proverbs 5:18–19; Ephesians 5:25; 1 Peter 3:7).

3. It is not our job to get people to like us. It is our job to like people (John 13:35; Hebrews 13:1; 1 Peter 1:22; 2:17).

4. To help your children turn out well, spend twice as much time with them and half as much money on them (Genesis 44:30; Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians 5:16; 6:4; Colossians 4:5).

5. Focus on others, not on self (Galatians

2:20; Philippians 2:3–5).

Someone wrote, “How to Be Miserable.” It reads as below:

“Think about yourself. Talk about yourself. Use ‘I’ as often as possible. Mirror yourself continually in the opinion of others. Listen greedily to what people say about you. Expect to be appreciated. Be suspicious. Be jealous and envious. Be sensitive to slights. Never forgive a criticism. Trust nobody but yourself. Insist on consideration and respect. Demand agreement with your own views on everything. Sulk if people are not grateful to you for favors shown them. Never forget a service you have rendered. Shirk your duties if you can. Do as little as possible for others.” -*Jake Sutton*

“Three things are stately in their stride, even four are stately in their walk: a lion, which is mightiest among beasts and doesn't retreat before anything, a strutting rooster, a goat, and a king at his army. If you have been foolish by exalting yourself or if you have been scheming, put your hand over your mouth,” Proverbs 30: 29-32.

“I have loved to hear my Lord spoken of, and, whenever I have seen the print of His shoe in the earth, therein, I have delighted to place my foot, also.” -
Paul Bunyan