

Those to Serve

Wednesday Evening, January 14, 2026

AnnouncementsGary Byers
 Lead SingingGary Gill
 First PrayerJack Gill
 Read Scripture.....Jack Daniel
 Dismissal Prayer Sawyer Tigner

Sunday Morning, January 18, 2026

AnnouncementsGary Byers
 Lead SingingGary Gill
 First Prayer.....Ronny Cornelius
 Read Scripture William Durham
 Preside at TableColin Middleton
 Serve Congregation
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 Dismissal Prayer Phil Webster
 Nursery Attendant Pat Maxwell

Sunday Evening, January 18, 2026

AnnouncementsGary Byers
 Lead SingingGary Gill
 First PrayerJon Kennedy
 Read Scripture Teddy Bodiford
 Preside at TableColin Middleton
 Dismissal PrayerBryan Porterfield

“Key Men” for January

Sunday AM (Open).....Brandon Tigner
 Sunday AM (Close) Eddie Carter
 Sunday PM (Open)..... Teddy Bodiford
 Sunday PM (Close) Jim Maxwell
 Wednesday PM (Open) Abe Jeter
 Wednesday PM (Close) Patrick Shook

Coming Events

Remember to visit our website: middletoncoc.org where you can also view our weekly bulletin.

Family Matters

We extend our deepest sympathy to all the family of Sandy Rodgers, who died this past Monday.

Joyce Shelby is in West Tennessee Rehab, room 107. She can have no visitors as she deals with the flu and pneumonia. **Royce Jones** is in Magnolia Hospital. Keep him and Karen in your prayers.

Paige Gillon is still in Jackson General Hospital dealing several health issues.

Community Matters

Keep Chris Smalley, Stephen Thompson, Rhonda Carver, Jo-Ann James, Beverly Martindale, Larry and Charlotte Lamberth, Chuck Carter, Ralph Donaldson, Linda Jane Kirk, Jim Lofton, Joe Ricketts, Mildred Bates in your prayers.

Prayer List

April McKelvey, Gail Mills, Elaine Capshaw, Melinda Russell, Linda McAlpin, Joyce Shelby, Betsy Lucas, Donna Shepherd, Teddy Bodiford, Gail Vaughn, Dottie Hogan, Robert Bizzell, Jim Maxwell, Peggy Gibson, Jan Webster.

*Remember our service men & women in your prayers.
 Remember all our missionaries in your prayers.*

For The Record

Mid-Week Bible Study 104
 Sunday School 101
 Sunday Morning Worship 157
 Sunday Evening Worship 93

Prayerfully consider your part in the above record

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Sunday, Jan. 18.....Exodus 1-3
 Monday, Jan. 19.....Exodus 4-6
 Tuesday, Jan. 20.....Exodus 7-9
 Wednesday, Jan. 21.....Exodus 10-12
 Thursday, Jan. 22Exodus 13-15
 Friday, Jan. 23.....Exodus 16-18
 Saturday, Jan. 24.....Exodus 19-21

Shut-ins

Paige Gillon, 45 Southwest Lane, Middleton, TN 38052.
 Donna Shepherd, Room 202, Wellington Manor Jackson,
 911 Old Humboldt Rd, Jackson, TN 38305.

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

The **Pew Packers class** meets each Sunday evening at 5:45 pm. This is for children ages newborn through sixth grade.

The Ladies Class meets each Tuesday in the annex at 10 am. All ladies are invited!

Our **Question & Answer Box** is on the wall in the foyer. Please put your questions in any time and we will answer them on the fourth Sunday evening of each month.

Pantry Item Of The Week: any items you would like to bring.

“And Mordecai told them to answer Esther: Do not think in your heart that you will escape in the king s palace any more than all the other Jews. For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father s house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?”
 Esther 4:13-14.

What the Wise Seeks and Finds

The book of Proverbs has much to say about someone who is a fool. A fool “lacks wisdom” (10:3), “despises wisdom” (1:22), “mocks at sin” (14:9) and “feeds on foolishness” (15:14).

Still more, the book of Proverbs has much to say about someone who is wise. Which are you?

The wise person is one who will “receive commands” (10:8). How do you handle commands? The wise person “receives **knowledge**” (21:11). Do you seek to learn things you do not already know? The wise person is one who “listens to counsel” (19:20). Do you listen to and heed wise counsel, even if it does not match your personal wishes?

The wise person is one who “receives correction” (15:5) and “accepts discipline” (19:20). Do you?

Our Creator has given us a brain, which He expects us to use. Wisdom is not found in following the masses or accepting information blindly or refusing to evaluate facts.

God draws a sharp contrast between fools and wise. Which one would He apply to you?

Your Child Won't Do More Than You

The goal of EVERY Christian parent ought to be to get their children to heaven! (Oh, how I wish that sentence could have said, "The goal of EVERY Christian parent IS to get their children to heaven!" But, unfortunately, that would not be an accurate statement.)

Are you a Christian parent? Do you still have children at home? Is there anything you want MORE than for your children to go to heaven? How do your actions coincide with your answer to that last question?

It is highly unlikely (almost in the region of "it'll never happen") that your children will grow up to place more emphasis on the church than you do. They will not grow up to place more emphasis on Bible reading, prayer and Christian living than you do. At best, some will be a Christian at "your level." But most, unfortunately, will be "less" inclined to Christian living than you.

With that in mind, are you giving your children THE BEST opportunity to grow up to be a faithful Christian?

Is their soul and their eternal destiny worth not living your Christian life to the absolute FULLEST?

-David Sproule

Things to Remember When in Worship

1. Remember the purpose of worship is not to entertain or amuse one another, but it is to pay homage, love and honor to God.
2. Remember the people in worship; they are not perfect, neither are you. Those with imperfections are worshipping Him who is perfect. He who realizes his own imperfections most is better qualified to worship Him who is perfect.
3. Come to the worship period thinking how great God is and how insignificant you are in comparison.
4. Give due attention to the thoughts contained in the spiritual songs as well as in the harmony and melody of the singing of them.
5. Remember that a sermon depends as much on the hearing of it as in the presenting of it.
6. Keep in mind that a critical, intolerant attitude is foreign to the spirit of Him whom you purpose to praise and to them that are gathered with you. One is to be encouraging to those who are worshipping with him. Never be critical of those who are leading the worship services.