Those to Serve

Wednesday Evening, November 4, 2026

Announcements .....Craig Harris
Lead Singing .....BT Hobbs
First Prayer ..... Jon Kennedy
Read Scripture.....Ronny Cornelius
Dismissal Prayer..... Sawyer Tigner

Sunday Morning, November 8, 2026

Announcements..... Craig Harris
Lead Singing.....BT Hobbs
First Prayer.....Rickey Tigner
Read Scripture..... William Durham
Preside at Table .....Jim Maxwell
Serve Congregation.....
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Dismissal Prayer..... Hunter Sheehan
Nursery Attendant.....Angela Scott

Sunday Evening, November 8, 2026

Announcements..... Craig Harris
Lead Singing..... BT Hobbs
First Prayer..... .....Ben Hall
Read Scripture.....Gilbert Shelby
Preside at Table .....Jim Maxwell
Dismissal Prayer..... Don McAlpin

"Key Men" for November

Sunday AM (Open)..... Craig Harris
Sunday AM (Close) ..... Rickey Tigner
Sunday PM (Open)..... Gary Byers
Sunday PM (Close) ..... Ramsey Callahan
Wednesday PM (Open) ..... BT Hobbs
Wednesday PM (Close).....Gilbert Shelby

Coming Events

Our **monthly Fellowship Meal for birthdays and anniversaries** will be this Sunday evening, November 8. Remember to visit our website: middletoncoc.org where you can also view our weekly bulletin.

Family Matters

Patsy Bodiford is in the Corinth Care Center. Keep her and Teddy in your prayers.
Jan Webster will have bladder surgery on November 11.
Robert Bizzell will have surgery to install a watchman in his heart on Thursday, November 12.

Community Matters

Keep Charles Gunn, Corrine Tigner, Stephen Thompson, Rhonda Carver, JoAnn James, Bill Barkley, Maven Vaughn, Chiquita James, Lisa Dukes, Joe Ricketts, Dewayne Danley, Tony Harris, Judy Sisco in your prayers.

Prayer List

Jerry McCord, Betsy Lucas, Kathy Pulse, Gail Mills, Elaine Capshaw, Melinda Russell, Donna Shepherd, Joyce Shelby, Jan Webster, Bill Craft, Eddie Carter, Jim Maxwell, Jeff Scott, Linda McAlpin, Betty & Paige Gillon, Nancy Donaldson.

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

For The Record

Mid-Week Bible Study.....82
Sunday School 95
Sunday Morning Worship 141
Sunday Evening Worship 112

Prayerfully consider your part in the above record

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Sunday, Nov. 8.....John 12-13
Monday, Nov. 9.....John 14-16
Tuesday, Nov. 10.....John 17-18
Wednesday, Nov. 11 ....John 19-21
Thursday, Nov. 12 ....Acts 1-3
Friday, Nov. 13..... .....Acts 4-6
Saturday, Nov. 14.....Acts 7-8

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

Our annual **Thanksgiving Day Meal** will be at 1pm in the annex. Everyone is invited! See Gary or Carol Gill with any questions.

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!

Pantry Item Of The Week: canned tomatoes. You can bring other items whenever you like.

The **Question & Answer Box** is on the wall in the foyer. Be sure to put in any questions or sermon ideas that you may have.

"But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day *is* as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance," 2 Peter 3:8-9.

Is the Sinner's Prayer in Romans 10:9,10?
Romans 10:9 is often quoted as the "sinner's prayer" passage: "If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." At first, it seems simple: believe and confess, and you are saved. But context matters.

Paul is writing to Christians, not nonbelievers, and the surrounding verses emphasize the universality of the gospel: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Romans 10:13). Then Paul asks practical questions in verses 14: "How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?"

After being taught, a person must hear and then believe in order to call on the name of the Lord. Each step is distinct and necessary, but what does "calling on the name of the Lord" actually mean? Paul himself provides the answer—not only by writing Romans but also by reporting his own conversion in Acts 22:16. He was told: "And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord." The same phrase appears in both places, and the context makes the meaning clear: To call on the name of the Lord is to submit to His authority, obey Him in faith, and be baptized to have sins washed away. Salvation does not come simply by a prayer we recite; it comes by an obedient faith. (Over)

Understanding Romans 10 in light of Scripture shows that salvation is a sequence of teaching, hearing, believing, and obeying Christ.

If you want to study with us how the Bible teaches the steps of salvation and how to call on the name of the Lord the way God intended, we would love to open God's Word with you.

Does "Full" Describe Your Life?

"Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years; and was gathered to his people" (Gen. 25:8).

With the words of our text, Abraham ended a life of faith, having walked in such close fellowship with God that "he was called the Friend of God" (Jam. 2:23). When he died at 175 years old, his standing in the world from a human perspective might not seem to have warranted his nomadic life of sacrifice and faith.

He had sojourned in the land given to him by covenant, but he had not taken possession of it in any real sense. Although he had gained a measure of worldly possessions (Gen. 13:2), he had evidently given up a stable and satisfying life of luxury among his people to follow God into the land of promise. Once there, his nephew, Lot, had deserted him taking the fertile land as his own (13:10-11).

Abraham had seen war (chapter 14), famine (12:10), compromise (12:13; 20:2), fighting between his two wives, and had not had children until his old age (chapters 16 and 21), had lived in poor relationship with his neighbors (chapter 20), and had eventually lost his dear wife, Sarah (23:2).

But when Abraham died, Scripture says he died completely satisfied, the literal meaning of full in our text (the words "of years" added by the translators).

He had learned to measure time by eternity, to weigh the value of earthly things by the Spirit. "For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God" (Heb. 11:10). He had "believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness" (Rom. 4:3).

The fullness of Abraham was that of a wealth that death could not touch. The seeming fullness of those who walk by sight, and not by faith, is emptied in death. Men and women of faith carry their fullness with them. Can your life be described as "full"? When the time comes, may we all die as Abraham died—full. *-Author Unknown*

"He guards the paths of justice,
And preserves the way of His saints,"
Proverbs 2:8.