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**2 Timothy 3:16-17** - *All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*

God's Word prepares us intellectually. Kofi Annan, a well-known politician said, "Knowledge is power. Information is liberating. Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family." There is no greater knowledge than that which the Bible provides. It is the God-breathed words of revelation. If we know the Bible, we know what is right (Doctrine), how to get right when we are not right (Reproof & Correction), and how to stay right (Instruction). This is what is needed to be found complete or mature in the eyes of God (Perfect, thoroughly furnished).

**Psalm 119:165** - *Great peace have they which love thy law: And nothing shall offend them.*

God's Word comforts us emotionally. In a world of chaos and calamity, the child of God can find solace in the living and active words of the Almighty (Hebrews 4:12). His Word gives us a hope of Heaven, and lets us know assuredly that we can go there.  
- Josh Walker

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Kerry Rice  
Jeremy Wilson

#### Assemblies

**SUNDAY**  
Bible Study 9:30 AM  
Assembly 10:30 AM  
Assembly 5:00 PM  
*Live on Facebook*

**WEDNESDAY**  
Bible Study 6:30 PM



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**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

*"...speaking the truth in love..." Eph. 4:15*

**August 14, 2022**

## **The Powerful Seed**

Jesus Christ told the Parable of the Sower in Matthew 13. A sower went out to sow (verse 3) and the seed he sowed landed on four different types of soil. One was the path, which allowed birds the opportunity to devour the seed (verse 4) and the it never took root. Later in that chapter Christ would give the meaning of that parable. The seed was the Word of God (Luke 8:11), and the birds represented the evil one (Satan) according to verse nineteen. What is interesting is in Luke's account of this same parable, he wrote, "The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, **so that they may not believe and be saved**" (Luke 8:14; emphasis mine JWW). Luke gave the reason Satan snatched the seed - to prevent the heart from accepting Word and bearing fruit unto salvation (Philippians 1:11). Even Satan, himself, knows the lifechanging power of God's Word. Oh that man would learn what knows!

**2 Peter 1:2-3** - *Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:*

His Word gives us all we need socially. The phrase "all things that pertain unto LIFE and GODLINESS." Life relates to how we get along with our fellow man, and godliness communicates how to get along with God. Our physical relationships and spiritual relationship are both addressed in God's Word, and we benefit when we follow it!

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## *Memory Verse*

In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.

**Psalm 119:14-15 (ESV)**

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# HEART-TO-HEART

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Terry Boykin** went to the ER and was transported to St. Vincents.

**Jimmy Smith** has been moved to St. Vincents.

**Turner Roberts** had surgery on hand and the doctors hope this will show improvement.

**Ricky Naron** received positive news on his scan - the tumor has not grown!

**Paul Caldwell** passed away - Remember his family.

**Andria Hall** (H.S. friend of Kristine Bryant) fell, broke a bone, and went septic. She is not doing well.

**Benita Forrest** is in need of prayers for her health.

**Bill Payne** (friend of Kelly Koonce) is having heart valve problems.

**Tammy Baker** (niece of Lindell Baker) is having a heart valve replaced.

**Ray Leonard** is having stomach pain.

**Matt Wilson** is having sciatic nerve issues.

**Candace Carter** has tested positive for COVID.

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TODAY'S EVENTS

- *Worship* livestreamed at 10:30
- *Second Sunday Singing and Fellowship*
- *Youth Picture at Billie's Football Field*

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

### Members:

Jensen Dial... Ray Leonard... Sandra Higgins... Linda Bates... Tony & Judy Beard... Terry Boykin... Carolyn Cook... Gary Crook... Shawn Curtis... Jacque Davidson... Mamie Meier... LaVerne Potter... Eddy and Suzette Russel... Jerry and Laura Smith... Rita Stiles... Joel and Brooke Thompson... Carolyn Wilson... Donnie & Janice Wright

### Shut-ins:

Jean Enlow... Betty McGuire... Bob & Pat Turner... Marie Wooten

### Serving in the Military:

Mollie Aldridge... Corey Bryant... Bradyn Curtis... Noah Draper... David Foret... Taylor Koonce... Tucker Koonce... Matthew May... Justin Mills... Neil Rampy ... Christian Stepanovich... Mathew Tannehill...

## SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Tammy Baker... Winnie Roberts... Shannah Baker... Rusty Blanks... Eliane Clay... Alli Cooper... Opal Crow... Larry Earnest... Joseph Friend... Bertha Henry... Deane Johnson... Francis Jordan... Gary Light... Jay Light... Jim Looney... Kathryn McDonough... Brent Newton... Mason Ingram... Robbie Pettigrew... Loyce Ray... Christy Rice... Tori Roberts... Turner Roberts... Leah Rye... Janice Sawyer... Sue Thomas... James Walton... Mark Wyers... Daisy and Lily Wilkerson... Sue Woodard... Ike Rochell... Jay Wright... Gary

# Birthdays & Anniversaries



- August 16** Roger Harris  
Jill Curtis
- 17** David & Paula Wilson
- 20** Jimmy & Sandra Higgins
- 22** Josie Pettigrew
- 23** Kelly & Anna Koonce  
Mandy Tolbert
- 26** Brad Tolbert
- 27** Lindsey Baker  
Mike Beard
- 28** Jonathan Lee Pettigrew
- 1** Luke Baker  
Fran Calvert
- 2** Jessica Pettigrew

## Daily Bible Reading Schedule

- 14** Isaiah 37-39
- 15** Isaiah 40-42
- 16** Isaiah 43-45
- 17** Isaiah 46-48
- 18** Isaiah 49-51
- 19** Isaiah 52-54
- 20** Isaiah 55-57



## Heart-To-Heart cont'd...

The **Elders' Message Box** is located in the Library. The elders are looking for suggestions, concerns, or it can be used for exhortation.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**August 14th - Youth Picture for the Billie's Football Program** All school age children are encouraged to meet at the Billie's football field to take the picture. Wear blue and white to show your support.

**September 4-7 - Gospel Meeting** at Southside Church of Christ in Greenville, MS. **Henry & Tylor Ard** are the speakers, and they will have a singing Sept. 3 at 4 p.m.

**September 9-11 - Gospel Meeting** at Rison Church of Christ at 7 p.m. The speaker is **Robert Dodson** of Fort Worth, TX.

**September 13th** - There will be a "Kitchen Shower" at 6pm. The items needed to restock the kitchen have been listed on Amazon. You may scan the QR code below or find the link to the list out in the foyer along with a sign-up list to bring a food item. For questions, please see **Karli Walker** or **Pam Beard**.

## NURSERY

## Communion Preparation

- August 14** Jennifer Knight
- August 21** Jennifer Knight
- August 28** Bonnie Halbert
- September 4** Bonnie Halbert

## Ladies July Duties

- Cards:** Barbara Newton
- Food:** Karli Walker

## Attendance

Bible Class ..... 81  
 Sunday AM Worship... 108  
 Sunday PM Worship .... 86  
 Wed. Evening ..... N/A  
 Contribution ..... \$4,713

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