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November 2, 2014

Today:

The Master's Mark

Pot Luck lunch after morning worship – Devotional after lunch – NO 5pm worship service

NEXT Sunday:

House Warming for Eric & Kristi Ishee – 2pm to 4pm at their home – 4023 Brian Drive, Anniston. They are registered at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

NEXT Sunday Night:

Veterans Day Dinner & Program following PM worship service. Hosted by Children's Youth Ministry to honor all those who have served / serving in any branch of our Military. See Shelly Painter for more details.

Contact Elder for November – Bill Brewer 256-225-8835

Order of Worship

BETTA-VIEW

Song Leader: David West

Call to Worship by the Elders –Bill Brewer Prayer - Charles Elston

Song #622: Ring Out The Message (1,3)

Scripture Reading: Sam Thomas Ephesians 1:13-14

Song #973: Everybody Will Be Happy Over There (1,2,3) Song #705: A Common Love (1x)

Communion & Offering

Song #895: I'll Live in Glory (1,2,3) **Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour**

Message: John Ross

Song #902: Nothing But the Blood (1,3)

Announcements Song #854: When He Comes in Glory By and By Prayer - Joel Fetner

You Were Included in Christ When You Heard The Word of Truth, The Gospel of Your Salvation

Are We Relevant?



When Alexander Campbell, Barton Stone, and their fellow searchers were opening their minds to God's direction their message was relevant. They were speaking a message that made a difference.

Their vision was unity. As a result of their vision they filled a need in the religious world of their day. Instead of preaching the isolationism that so often dominates religion they were bringing people together through the Word of God. As the Civil War appeared on the horizon this group was changing the world. They were making a difference. They were relevant!

Somewhere between the beginning of the Civil War and Daniel Sommer's speech given at Sand Creek on August 18, 1889 a significant portion of our group lost the vision. The movement changed from a *unity movement* to a movement stressing *uniformity of practice*. On the surface the change seems subtle. Deep down it really meant the beginning of the end of relevance. I realize some will disagree strongly with the previous statement.

Truthfully, stressing uniformity of practice does not provide relevance.

What does it take for the body of Christ to make a difference in the world today? This is what we should be discussing. Where do we put our emphasis if we are going to make a difference? Do we emphasize the restoration of patterns? Do we emphasize sameness? What does God want from us in order for us to please Him? The difference in emphasizing unity and uniformity of practice is miles apart. Emphasizing unity brings people together.

Emphasizing uniformity of practice divides those who are not uniform in their practice. Christ's prayer in the garden was for unity not uniformity.

How do we restore the vision that demands relevance? In Mark 9:38-41 records an event that occurred between Jesus and His disciples. John said, "*Teacher, we saw a man driving out demons in Your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us.*" Jesus said, "*Do not stop him, for whoever is not against us is for us.*"

As Jesus continued He emphasized the need to do good in His name.

Is it possible that relevance is not found in uniformity? Could it be that relevance is maintained through the preaching of Jesus? Is it possible that emphasis on uniformity of practice promotes exclusivity?

We have a message that makes the lives of those who accept that message fundamentally better. That message is the good news of Jesus Christ. Instead of placing emphasis on patterns *let's preach Jesus*. We have the ability to draw all men to Him. We have the ability to be relevant, to make a real difference. It is time that we catch the vision of the Christ. Luke tells us Jesus came to seek and save the Lost. This is the real vision of the church. Blessings!

John



Donation to Children's Hospital

Our Children's Youth Ministry helped to raise \$110 for cancer research! We have sent the donation to the Brain Cancer Research at Children's of Alabama in memory of Emma Mitchell. Thanks to all that participated!

Upcoming Events



November 9: House Warming for

Eric & Kristi Ishee 2pm-4pm—Registered at Target & Bed, Bath & Beyond. *4023 Brian Drive, Anniston*

November 9: Veterans' Day dinner and program hosted by BVH Children's Ministry after evening services. We encourage all members to stay to honor our Veterans. Please invite family or friends who have served. **Members are asked to bring finger foods.**

November 10: GEMS group will tour the Golden Flake plant in Birmingham and then have lunch at Niki's West. The van will leave the church at 8:15am—sign-up sheet is in the fover.

November 14: Gospel singing at Blessing

Church of Christ (Albertville) -7pm-9pm

November 18: GEMS Meeting 10am

November 25: Mid-week Bible Study on Tuesday due to Thanksgiving holiday.

November 30: 5th Sunday Contribution to the Building Fund & Men's General Business meeting at 8:30am

This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

-Fruit Cups -Applesauce





Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 11/2—Macy Stratton, Tyler Johnston
- 11/3—Jan Templin, Jessica Gaines
- 11/4—Jason Webb, M/M Garry Banks
- 11/5—Jerre Strickland
- 11/6—Teresa Leath
- 11/7—Dena Pressley, Amber Gallahair, Eric Ross
- 11/8—Angie Lindsey

Remember in Prayer. .



Our Sick...

Norma Wooley has been admitted as a permanent resident at NHC in Room 110. Please keep Norma and family in your prayers as they adjust to this new phase of life. (NHC Healthcare, 2300 Coleman Road Room 110, Anniston 36207)

Family Members & Friends...

Alvin Wallace is recovering from eye surgery last Tuesday. He will return to the doctor in two weeks. He would like to extend his thanks for all the cards and prayers on his behalf. (67 Del Rey Place, Oxford 36203) Jess Wantland (Lorene Turner's daughter) is recovering from kidney surgery last week.

Helen Chambless (mother of **Ron Chambless**) is having health issues and not doing well right now.

Grace Haynes (mother of **Suzette Goodwin**) is recovering from surgery. (500 Buckhorn Road, Munford 36268)

Sympathy...

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of our sister in Christ, **Shirley Stevens**. Shirley passed away this past Sunday. Her memorial was held here at the church Tuesday evening. Please continue to lift Bobby, Genese and the entire family up in prayer as they face the difficult days ahead.



Veterans Day Dinner & Program

There will be a Veterans' Day dinner and program hosted by BVH Children's Ministry after evening services on **Sunday**, **November 9th**. We encourage all members to stay to honor our Veterans. Please invite family or friends who have served. If you are bringing a guest please be sure to add their name to the list in the foyer. Members are asked to bring finger foods. *If you have questions, please see Shelly Painter*.



Those Privileged to Serve: November 2014

Song Leaders:

2nd – David West9th – Shane Champion16th – Shaun Stancil23rd – Rusty Stephens30th – David West

AM: **Opening Prayer**

2nd: Charles Elston9th: Marty Livingston16th: Rusty Stephens23rd: Frank Thomas30th: Kevin Briley

PM: Opening Prayer

2nd: Jeff Tims9th: Wayne Carden16th: Jamie Burgess23rd: Eric Ishee30th: Patrick Houston

<u>Closing Prayer</u> Joel Fetner Larry Watts

Larry Watts Donte' Richey Boots Lane Glen Brown

Closing Prayer

Eddie Jennings Shaun Stancil Elton Carter Duane Stephens James Lindsey

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: Brian Forbus Assisting: James Galbreath, Spencer Austin, Eric Ross, Jason Webb, Harold Colley, Avery Pressley, Bobby Starr, Calvin Phillips

<u>Ushers</u>:

Norman Morrison, Harold Bean, Tommy Tinney, Ted Haynes, Duane Stephens, Eddie Jennings

Little Lambs:

2nd: Dianne Ross & Abbie Watts
9th: Lindsey Webb & Jan Templin
16th: Camellia Cooper & Mary Colley
23rd: April & Anna Livingston
30th: Debbie Mitchell & Alicia Forbus

Greeters:

West Entrance: Kenny & Pam Stratton East Entrance: Jerry Wilson & Miriam James Main Foyer: Frank Thomas, Eleanor Eaton, Phyllis Haynes, Piper Smith Prepare Communion: James & Linda Galbreath Secure Building: Jeff Tims

If you are unable to serve please contact **Brian Forbus @ 256-831-2471.**

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Elders:

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Deacons:

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Preaching Minister: John Ross

Children's Ministry Activities Coordinator: Eric Ishee

Youth Minister: Marty Livingston (interim)

Service Times:

Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Worship: 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Morning Study: 10:00am-11:00am Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. **Phone:** 256-831-0651

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 A. Deuteronomy 15:17

Is there ANY relevance for us? 1. Romans 10:9

"Jesus is Lord". 1. _____ = LORD 2. _____ = Lord (Jehovah) 3. _____ = Lord, common usage

We _____ to be Jesus' servant.

"PIERCE MY EAR!"

- 1. _____ to be marked by God.
- 2. Ephesians 1:13-14

Ephesians 1:13 – "Having _____" 1. _____ expressed through

Makes sense for 2 reasons:

- 1. The servant _____ something.
- 2. The servant's ear was

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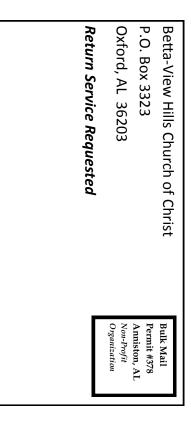
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1. What if a slave didn't want to be set free?

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- 2. Adonai = Lord (Jehovah)
- 3. Kurios = Lord, common usage

We <u>choose</u> to be Jesus' servant.

"PIERCE MY EAR!"

- 1. <u>Choosing</u> to be marked by God.
- 2. Ephesians 1:13-14

Ephesians 1:13 – "Having believed"

1. Faith expressed through action.

Makes sense for 2 reasons:

- 1. The servant <u>surrendered</u> something.
- 2. The servant's ear was *pierced*.

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