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January 11, 2015

Today:

"Living What We Say We Believe"
I Want to Know Christ

*Lads to Leaders registration forms due in to Jeff & Teresa Tims **TODAY** for anyone participating this year. (adults and youth)*

TONIGHT:

Youth Devo after PM worship service – Putnam family hosting

Elders/Deacons meeting after PM worship service – Room 120.

NEXT Sunday:

Baby Shower for Courtney Madrigal

Contact Elder for January – Fred Denney 256-831-4964

Order of Worship

Song Leader: Rusty Stephens

Call to Worship by the Elders – Elton Carter

Prayer - Frank Thomas

Song #431: Break Thou the Bread of Life (1,2)

Communion & Offering

Song #539: Higher Ground (1,4)

Song #76: How Great Thou Art (1,4)

Song #570: A Beautiful Life (1,2,4)

Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Avery Pressley

Philippians 3:7-10

Message: John Ross

Song #934: Softly and Tenderly (1,4)

Announcements

Song #957: This World Is Not My Home (1)

Prayer - Joel Fetner

I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death.

God's Still, Small Voice



Ever feel guilty when somebody quotes Psalm 46:10, "*Be still and know that I am God*"? I'll bet you'd just love to find a quiet time, wouldn't you? Maybe you've got one planned. Wonderful things can happen in times of solitude, stillness, and silence before God. But "stillness" is hard to come by - and isn't always available.

There's little time for stillness when production deadlines are close. A report is due in three hours. An inspection is in progress. There is constant motion. Shared living space has someone else's music, someone else's TV, and someone else's voice. Where are you supposed to find God in the midst of all the noise?

Then there is "noise" of a different quality altogether. Pain from illness or injury screams at you. The pressure of finding a new job or putting life together after a death takes away your tranquil sense of God. Sadness, disappointment, and loss crash over you with the roar of an angry sea.

Strange as it may seem, the greater need for some of us may be less for stillness than to learn how to hear God's voice smack in the middle of all the noise, chaotic activity, and disorienting trouble.

"They reeled and staggered like drunken men; they were at their wits' end. Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven. Let them give thanks to the Lord . . ." (Psalm 107:27-31).

Do you think ours is the first generation to feel the pressure of noise, tension, and uncertainty? Of course not! And the experience of some of those people can guide us in our times of stress.

Whoever the subjects of Psalm 107, they were reeling and staggering under their load. There was no serene stillness before God for them. To the contrary, they were "at their wits' end." So right in the middle of their frenzy and distress, "*they cried out to the Lord in their trouble*" - and God heard them.

If your life has more chaos than stillness, more crash than tranquility, God has not abandoned you. He beckons you to cry out to Him, and He will show Himself.

Amidst the noise, you will find His presence enfolding you in His peace.

Upcoming Events



- January 18:** Baby Shower for **Courtney Madrigal**—2PM to 4PM Fellowship Hall—It's a GIRL (**Elliana Brooke**)!!! Courtney is registered at Target, Baby's R Us and Kohl's.
- January 20:** GEMS Meeting 10am
- January 23:** Secret Sister Reveal—at the home of **Rebekah Carpenter** 6:30pm (bring gift, finger foods, drinks)
- January 28:** January Birthday/Anniversary celebration—fellowship hall following Wednesday night singing. (Everyone invited)
- February 1:** Super Bowl Party—5PM Devotional followed by chili cook off and game!
- February 8:** Baby Shower for **Jerica Pressley**—2PM to 4PM Fellowship Hall—It's a GIRL (**Caroline Hollis**) Jerica is registered at Target and Buy Buy Baby.

SECRET SISTER REVEAL

JANUARY 23rd 6:30PM—at the home of **Rebekah Carpenter**. Please bring a gift for your SS (\$10 limit) plus finger foods, desserts, drinks. If you cannot attend, please be sure to send your gift with someone else. If you are not currently participating but would like to, please join us—we will be drawing names for January through July!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1/11— Gary Beasley, Spencer Austin
1/12— Matt Smith, Madison Lackey
1/13— Alicia Forbus, Joshua Pritchard
1/14— Geoff Williams
1/16— Jeannie Strickland
1/17— M/M Lane Tims
1/18— M/M John D Austin

Remember in Prayer. .



Our Sick. . .

Lucile Forbus is now in rehab at HealthSouth in Gadsden—Room 113. Visiting hours are Monday-Friday, 4PM to 7PM and all day on Sunday. (801 Goodyear Avenue, Gadsden 35903)

Norma Wooley has been removed from oxygen and is now only on morphine to keep her comfortable. Please keep **Dede Bradley** & family in your prayers during this very difficult time.

Friends & Family. . .

Marisa Pugh (granddaughter of **David & Myra Pugh**) is recovering from surgery this past Monday on her elbow and arm. (260 Coweta Trail, Oxford 36203)

Alvin Wallace had eye surgery on Tuesday and is now recuperating at home. (67 Del Rey Place, Oxford 36203)

Ruthie Hethcox (grandmother of **Stephanie Stephens**) has been moved to a nursing home with neuropathy in her legs. Surgery is pending. (516 Wells Avenue, Talladega 35160)

Don King (family friend of **Shelly Painter**) suffered a recent head injury and has been moved to rehab. He is still having many health concerns and prayers are requested.

Geraldine King & daughter **Gayle Whatley** (friends of **Shelly Painter**). Mrs. King recently had surgery and is still facing some health issues. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Grace Haynes (mother of **Suzette Goodwin**) is recovering from a procedure last week. (500 Buckhorn Road, Munford 36268)

Sympathy. . .

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Jackie Martin** (sister of **Charline Smith**) who passed away on January 2nd. Please keep Charline and family in your prayers. (PO Box 255, Munford 36268)

We also extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Mary Gaines** (**Richard Gaines'** mother). She passed away Wednesday and services will be held in Kentucky. (1205 Butler Street, Oxford 36203)

Those Privileged to Serve:

January 2015

Song Leaders:

11th—Rusty Stephens

18th—Rusty Stephens 25th—David West

AM: Opening Prayer

11th: Frank Thomas

18th: Shaun Stancil

25th: Rusty Stephens

Closing Prayer

Joel Fetner

Bobby Lackey

Avery Pressley

PM: Opening Prayer

11th: Kevin Briley

18th: Duane Stephens

25th: Eric Ishee

Closing Prayer

Brian Forbus

Wayne Carden

Mike Tims

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: Marty Livingston

Assisting: Ben Lackey, Matt Smith, Ted Haynes, James Galbreath, Jeff Tims, Norman Morrison, Calvin Phillips, Donte' Richey

Ushers:

Harold Bean, Keith Yarbrough, Wayne Carden, Patrick Houston, Jerry Wilson, Jamie Burgess

Little Lambs:

11th: Sharon Limbaugh & Sara Brown

18th: Jan Templin & Susan Briley

25th: Kesley Williams & Linda Carter

Greeters:

West Entrance: John David Austin & Jerry Wilson

East Entrance: Keith Yarbrough & Elton Carter

Main Foyer: Tommy & Linda Tinney, James & Linda Galbreath, Anna Livingston

Prepare Communion: Juanita Wallace

Secure Building: Brian Forbus

If you are unable to serve please contact

Brian Forbus @ 256-831-2471.

This Week's Back-Pack Food

Items

-Cheese Crackers



-Applesauce



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Elders:

Bill Brewer
Elton Carter
Fred Denney
James Lindsey
Bob Templin

Deacons:

Kevin Briley
(Safety & Security)
Brian Forbus
(Worship Organization)
James Galbreath
(Food Ministry, Building)
Eddie Jennings
(Homebuilders, Young Adult Activities)
Marty Livingston
(Youth, Office Administration, Widows Needs)
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Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
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Morning Study: 10:00am-11:00am
Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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"I Want to Know Christ"

Philippians 3:7-10

To "_____ " Christ is the goal of the new life God has given us.

1. Philippians 3:8, 10

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3. God went _____ for them!

Why do we resist intimacy with God?

1. Perhaps we're conditioned by our experiences with _____.

Common Intimacy Misconceptions:

1. You can only find God and salvation by finding the _____.
2. "If I'm a _____, I'll be closer to God."
3. "If I live a good life and do _____, I'll be closer to God."
4. "If I can just feel good about my _____, then I'll surely know I'm close to God."
5. "I'm not _____. I never will be"

There are ultimately 2 kinds of faith.

1. Faith in _____.
2. _____ faith.

Let's live what we say we believe.

We Care and We Pray. . .

Payton Thornton, Morgan Hasty, Cathy Carter, Jackie Parrot, Lance Young, Janice Emmit, Don Creason, Lowell & Mabel Dowdey, Hazel Moore, Glenda Robertson, Dan Brown, Hazel Waites, Ann Frazier, Marie Finch, Ken Bean, Doug Layne, Bill Kughn, Norma Wooley, Donald Wooten, Bill Henshaw, Liz Everett, Kaye Mills, Alan Epps, Alvin Wallace, Daisy Horne, Mary Ellis, Alice Moore, Pam Shaddix, Joy Williams, Wallace & Dot Smith, Wayne Lambert, Jimmy Dickerson, Joe & Jewell Haynes, Laken Landen, Elbert Lewis, Tommy Green, Larry Harris, Mike McDonald, Jackie Crumley, Paula Lyons, David Dennis, Jackie Riley, Leroy Prothro, Annabelle Kate McKinney, Ernestine Gaither, Larry Robertson, Linda Sharpe, Laureen Nelson, Jimmy Dickens, Doug Trantham, Jon & Jessica Callahan, Brian Bradley, Chase Cotton, Mason Baswell, Dede Bradley, Lavonne Austin, Abby Usher, Linda Hurst, Fred & Debbie Csaky, Ann McKinney, Debbie Watts, Cathy Sharmin, Leslie LaPlante, Reggie Smith, Dade Strickland, Joe Poche, Burma Bible, Inez Clark, John Mayfield, Melissa Gunter, Mark Meyer, Mike Wesson, Mikia Carter, Don King, Geraldine King

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