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July 12, 2015

## **Today:**

"They Were Called ....
But Not All Went In"



## **Tonight:**

Team Meeting for the Neighborhood Cook-Out and Friend & Family Day planning. If you can assist with this project, please plan to meet tonight after worship services in the Rainbow Omega Room. See Duane Stephens for further details.

Contact Elder for July - James Lindsey 256-831-2054

Order of Worship

Listen To Our Hearts

Prayer - Joel Fetner

Song Leader: Shaun Stancil

**Song** #590: Jesus Is All The World To Me (1,2,3) **Song** #683: I Am Mine No More (1,2,3,4) **Song** #377: He Still Came (1,2)

Communion & Offering

Song #76: How Great Thou Art (1,2,4) Song #895: I'll Live In Glory (1,3) Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Zachary Briley
Matthew 25:13

Message: Rusty Stephens

Song #903: There Is Power In The Blood (1,4)

**Announcements** 

**Song #853:** When We All Get To Heaven (1)

Prayer - Sam Welsh

When The Son Of Man Comes In His Glory, And All The Angels With Him, He Will Sit On His Throne In Heavenly Glory

## **Light in Dark Places**

People talk about being in "dark places" of discouragement, hopelessness, or impasse in their lives. It is not uncommon to read or hear the language of "dark places" for our children, our culture, or our world. In both ancient and modern literature, the metaphor of darkness for human error and its penalties are common.

Maybe that is why the person and nature of God are described as *light*. "God is light and in Him there is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5) One biblical writer even calls Him "the Father of lights" and declares not only that there is no darkness in God or His actions but not even a "shadow" (James 1:17).

It should come as no surprise to anyone that the bible describes God's entry into flesh this way: Light has come to shine into all the world's dark places. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it" (John 1:5). "I am the light of the world," Jesus said. "Whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life" (John 8:12).

In view of all this, who could possibly misunderstand the challenge Jesus gave His disciples in the Sermon on the Mount? Be lights in your world. Be like candles on a stand. Be shining cities on high hills. Be blessings to everyone.

But some *have* missed His point and have done incredible harm in His name. The call to be lights in the world isn't a militaristic call. It isn't a challenge to form a political party or movement for lobbying political parties. People who have gone that route have given unbelievers cause to indict all Christians as unkind, judgmental, and merciless. They see a strident and angry activism that makes them reject Jesus on account of the ugly behaviors of people who profess to represent Him.

Light tends to be gentle, appealing, and positive in its presence. It clarifies the landscape and makes life possible, even if it causes someone to flinch and cover their eyes at first.

Think about it. Does the world need more caustic critics or helping hands? More judgments or persons who model the light and blessing of God's presence, encouragement, and grace?

There was a shortage of coins in the British Empire during Oliver Cromwell's reign. Government agents searched for a supply of silver to meet the need. "We have searched in vain for silver that can be minted into coin," began the report. "To our dismay, we have found none — except in our country's cathedrals where the statues of the saints are made of choice silver." "Then let's melt down the saints," Cromwell said, "and put them into circulation."

In a world that needs light in its dark places, that's still a good idea.

## **Upcoming Events**



**July 12:** Lads to Leaders Kick-off luncheon after morning worship.

July 12: Neighborhood Cook-out Plan-

ning Meeting after PM worship

July 19: Youth Devo after PM worship —

Smith & Livingston families hosting

July 21: GEMS Meeting—10am

July 26: Ministry Night

July 29: Monthly singing and birthday/

anniversary celebration

August 15: Neighborhood Cook-Out

August 16: Friend & Family Day and Pot

Luck Lunch

## **School Supply Drive**

As part of our Annual Events Committee—we are going to begin collecting school supplies. Please start bringing in basic supplies such as paper, pencils, crayons, glue, etc. See Brian Forbus for further details

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

7/12—Eleanor Eaton

7/14—Adam Tims, Linda Galbreath

7/15—Richard Gaines, Cynthia Carpenter, Kayla Yarbrough

7/16—Betty West, Eddie Jennings

7/17—Jillian Gaines

7/18—M/M Bobby Lackey

## Remember in Prayer..



#### Our Sick...

Lucile Forbus had a procedure done Monday to shock her heart back into normal rhythm but it was not successful. She is now home from the hospital. (185 Dogwood Avenue, Anniston 36201)

Tommy Tinney will begin chemo and radiation treatments this week. (PO Box 81, Munford 36268)

Ann Frazier is making steady progress but still has several weeks of recovery from her surgery. She is staying with James & Diane Mitchell. (925 Cecile Drive, Oxford 36203)

**Bill Brewer** is still recovering from his heart procedure. (165 Oak Pointe Drive, Cropwell 35054)

#### Friends & Family...

Lovie Porter (mother of Jannie Smith) is in NHC Room 224. She enjoys visits. (NHC, 2300 Coleman Road – Room 224, Anniston 36207)

Bart Owens (friend of Jay & Shelly Painter) is in RMC. (PO Box 797, Bynum 36253)

Willie Clevenger (uncle of Shelly Painter) was admitted to RMC Tuesday. (488 Forestdale, Oxford 36203)

### Sympathy...

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of our sister, Ruth Williams. Ruth passed away last Saturday. Funeral services were held Wednesday in Anniston.

We also extend our sympathy to the family of Mike Wesson who also passed away last Saturday. His funeral services were held Wednesday in Oxford.

We extend our sympathy also to the family of Mark Meier (brother of Leana Behel). Mark passed away this past Tuesday. Please remember all these families in your prayers.

#### This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

-Chef Boyardee Pop-Top Meals



-Soup (pop-top)



## Those Privileged to Serve: July 2015

#### **Song Leaders:**

12th - Shaun Stancil 19th – Shaun Stancil 26th – Frank Tant

**AM:** Opening Prayer **Closing Prayer** 12th: Joel Fetner Sam Welsh 19th: Frank Thomas Charles Elston 26th: Britt Parker Bobby Lackey

PM: Opening Prayer **Closing Prayer** 12th: James Farmer **Bobby Starr** 19th: Rusty Stephens **Duane Stephens** 26th: Kevin Briley **Jeff Tims** 

#### Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

**Presiding**: Jamie Burgess

Assisting: Matt Smith, Calvin Phillips, Jason Webb, Spencer Austin, Norman Morrison, Avery Pressley, Donte' Richey, Marty Livingston

#### **Ushers**:

Tyler Johnston, Patrick Houston, James Galbreath, Keith Yarbrough, Duane Stephens, Ted Haynes

#### Little Lambs:

12th: Brittany Cobb / Nicole Denney 19th: Alicia Forbus / Debbie Mitchell 26th: Lindsey Webb / Abbie Watts

#### **Greeters:**

West Entrance: Joel & Cathy Fetner East Entrance: Linda Carter & Bobby Starr Main Foyer: Harold & Pattie Bean, Eleanor Eaton, Keith Yarbrough, Zachary Briley

> **Prepare Communion**: Juanita Wallace Secure Building: James Galbreath

Youth Devo Host: Livingston & Smith Families

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

## **BVH Leaders**

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)

Forester Tillson

(Worship Sound / Audio)

Jeff Tims

(Public Relations, Lads to Leaders)

**Tommy Tinney** 

(Attendance, Baptistery, Marquee Sign,

Grounds)

**Duane Stephens** 

(Education Director, Visitation)

**Kenny Stratton** 

(Finance)

**Preaching Minister:** 

John Ross

**Children's Ministry** 

**Activities Coordinator:** 

Eric Ishee

**Youth Minister:** 

Sam Welsh (Summer Intern)

**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.

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		-Luke 12:35-40
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1. An <u>invitation</u> was extended to <u>10 virgins</u> (vs 1-3)

-Matt 22:1-10; Matt 13:47-50

2. The <u>quality</u> that made the <u>difference</u> was the <u>prudent</u> forethought on the part of the <u>wise</u> (vs 4)

-Matt 7:21-27

3. While the <u>bridegroom</u> tarried, they <u>all</u> slumbered and slept (vs 5)

-Matt 24:42; 1 Thess 5:6-8

4. Behold the <u>bridegroom cometh</u> (vs 6)

-1 Thess 4:16; 1 Thess 5:23

5. Then <u>all</u> the virgins <u>rose</u> and <u>trimmed</u> their lamps (vs 7)

-Luke 12:35-40

6. The foolish <u>begged</u> for oil, while the <u>wise</u> responded not so (vs 8-9)

-2 Cor 5:10

7. There is a reward for those prepared (vs 10)

-Rev 2:10; 2 Tim 4:7-8

8. Those <u>unprepared</u> knocked at the <u>door</u>. I <u>know</u> you <u>not</u> (vs 11-12)

-Luke 13:24-25; Matt 7:21-23; 1 Peter 5:8

9. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherin the Son of man cometh (vs 13)

-Prov 14:12

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