



BETTA-VIEW
VOICE
Betta-View Hills
CHURCH OF CHRIST

2140 Highway 78 W. Oxford, AL 36203 P.O. Box 3323 256-831-0651

November 29, 2015

Today:

"The Mystery"

**5th Sunday Contribution
to the Building Fund**

***Youth Devotional at the West Farm
beginning at 2PM***

Tonight:

**Elders / Deacons Meeting after
PM worship service**

NEXT Sunday:

**Pot Luck Lunch
Menu Theme Soups & Sandwiches
Group 3 in charge**

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

Order of Worship

Call To Worship

Prayer - Kevin Briley

Song Leader: Shaun Stancil

Song #147: I Stand Amazed (1,2,4)

Song #71: As The Deer (1,2)

Song#373: A Hill Called Mount Calvary (1,3)

Communion & Offering

Song #791: On Bended Knee (1,2)

Song #1005: Beautiful Star Of Bethlehem (1,3)

Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Avery Pressley

Colossians 1:22-23

Message: John Ross

Song #: Just As I Am—I Come Broken

Announcements

Song #884: Earth Holds No Treasures (1)

Prayer - Bobby Lackey

***Give Thanks To The Lord, For He Is Good!
For His Mercy Endures Forever***

Your Work As Service To God



Attorneys, farmers, teachers, parents, street sweepers – all have a calling from God. Not just church staff, but all of us. The bible calls it the priesthood of all believers, and it's an important spiritual truth that many in our time have missed.

Suppose I were to ask why you work. How would you answer? To make money? To pay the bills? To keep a roof over your head? To earn enough from something you hate so you can someday do what you really want to do? While those responses aren't wicked, they are "stinkers." They are hardly the noblest of answers. And they are the ones typically given by people who suffer burnout.

Work gives glory to God when it meets three criteria: (1) the task is honorable, (2) it is performed with integrity, and (3) it is done with a sense of one's role as a social creature who loves his neighbor as himself.

The first of the criteria means nobody can be a thief or drug trafficker to the glory of God. Behaviors that are unethical cannot give heaven either pleasure or honor. The second means that God is glorified when you do your duty and make a good-faith effort to fulfill commitments – not just punching the clock - but doing your job as if your employer were Jesus instead of Mean Ole Bob.

It's the third one that may be the hardest to grasp. But of the three it is the most important element for turning a job into a calling. It is critical in transforming what you may regard as boring work into something you are able to do "from the heart" and "to the Lord" (cf. Ephesians 6:6-7).

"How in the world could I sell bolts or washing machines by that measure? It's just too idealistic!" Not really.

I've watched honorable people do it for years. They never knowingly misrepresented a product, pushed a high-priced item over a less costly one adequate for a buyer's purpose, or otherwise took advantage of a customer. They would have considered that a betrayal of their duty to love their neighbor, to share God's care for the human race.

Sales people, physicians, cab drivers – the ones who genuinely care about their clients treat them differently from those who see them as meal tickets. They serve their needs and don't exploit them.

Perhaps some who think they are unhappy because of a job undesirable to perform are simply doing tasks without a sense of serving God in doing them.

"Whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father" (Colossians 3:17 NLT).

Upcoming Events



December 6: Pot Luck Lunch— menu theme is Soups & Sandwiches.

Food Group 3 in charge.

December 8: Secret Sister Devotional and Christmas Fellowship. See **Shelly Painter** for details.

December 11: Church Christmas Party Fellowship Hall 6pm — details coming soon!

December 15: GEMS Meeting—10am

December 20: Community Christmas Dinner

December 27: Youth Devo at the home of Jason & Lindsey Webb

December 30: Singing Night

December 31: New Year's Eve Party— 7pm in the Fellowship Hall



Secret Sister Ornament Exchange ALL Ladies Invited!!

There will be a Christmas Fellowship and Devotional for ALL ladies on Tuesday, December 8th at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is asked to bring a Christmas ornament (\$5 to \$10) for the ornament exchange. We will have soups & sandwiches (sign-up for what you can bring on list in foyer). We are also asking ladies to bring an inexpensive stocking stuffer item for a child 5 to 9 years old to be used in the provide Christmas Stockings for the Backpack Buddies program.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

11/29—M/M James Mitchell

11/30—Pam James, Brodie Cobb

12/5—Duane Stephens, Malcolm Carpenter

Remember in Prayer. . .



Our Sick. . .

James Lindsey has been in the hospital this past week but is now home and improving. (513 County Line Road, Oxford 36203)

Lucile Forbus has been in RMC with congestive heart failure but is now at home. (185 Dogwood Avenue, Anniston 36201)

Linda Carter is recovering from knee surgery. (460 Treasure Island Circle, Cropwell 35054)

Friends & Family. . .

Sebastian Blake Cambron (friend of **Betty West**) is a 20 year old young man battling cancer. His family has requested our prayers.

Youth & Family Minister. . .

We are asking everyone to please continue to pray as we search for our Youth / Family Minister. Our first candidate, Lucas Suddreth, along with his wife Rachel, will be here December 11-13.

This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

-Chef Boyardee Meals



-Soup



Thank YOU!!!

A very special thank you to all that helped to make this year's Thanksgiving Food Drive a success. With your help, we were able to make sure that some special families had a wonderful Thanksgiving meal.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven,"

Matthew 5:16

Those Privileged to Serve:

November 2015

Song Leaders:

29th – Shaun Stancil

AM: Opening Prayer

29th: Kevin Briley

Closing Prayer

Bobby Lackey

PM: Opening Prayer

29th: Eric Ishee

Closing Prayer

Jeff Tims

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: Rusty Stephens

Assisting: Charles Elston, Jim Merrell, Bubba Bullington, David Austin, Duane Stephens, Donte' Richey, Jason Webb, David Pugh

Ushers:

Tyler Johnston, Landon Watts, Spencer Austin, Norman Morrison, Andy Strickland, Avery Pressley

Little Lambs:

29th: Kesley Williams & Linda Carter

Greeters:

West Entrance: Harold & Pattie Bean

East Entrance: Debbie Stewart & Patsy Ruth Adams

Main Foyer: Eleanor Eaton, Calvin & Dorothy Phillips, Kesley Williams

Security Duty:

29th: Patrick Houston & Eddie Jennings

Prepare Communion: Debora Mitchell

Secure Building: Eddie Jennings

Youth Devo Host: David & Kathy West

If you are unable to serve please contact

Brian Forbus @ 256-831-2471.

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The Mystery Colossians 1:21-27

The condition of the Christians at Colossae.

Behind the scenes:

Peter received a vision (Acts 10).

God sent Peter to the home of Cornelius to preach the Gospel to him and his family.

"Can anyone keep these people from being _____?" 10:47

The false teachers were demanding _____ where _____ had been extended.

There was a mystery:

1. " _____, the hope of glory." Colossians 1:26-27

A. It's a mystery that God would let _____ be acceptable to Him.

B. 1 Corinthians 6:11

C. Colossians 1:21

The mystery: _____ in you.

We Care and We Pray. . .

Payton Thornton, Cathy Carter, Lance Young, Janice Emmit, Don Creason, Lowell & Mabel Dowdey, Glenda Robertson, Hazel Waites, Ann Frazier, Marie Finch, Ken Bean, Doug Layne, Bill Kughn, Donald Wooten, Bill Henshaw, Liz Everett, 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, 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, Cathy Sharmin, Leslie LaPlante, Reggie Smith, Dade Strickland, Joe Poche, Burma Bible, Inez Clark, John Mayfield, Melissa Gunter, Mikia Carter, Don King, Geraldine King, Elaine Mayfield, JoAnne Key, Jerry Ramsey, Margaret Carden, Grey Johnson, Kimberly Cobb, Sherry Jones, Cassie Brock, Burke Bowie, Tommy Tinney, Lilly Thacker, Kerry Owens, Angelynn Luckadoo, Rosa Shiflett, Erin Burford Smith, JulieAnna Lyons

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