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June 26, 2016

# **Today:**

"Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

## **Tonight:**

Youth Devotional after PM worship at the Stratton home (transportation will be provided)

Wednesday:

Singing Night
Birthday / Anniversary Celebration

**NEXT Sunday:** 

POT LUCK LUNCH
Food Group 3 in charge

Contact Elder for June - Bill Brewer 256-225-8835

Order of Worship
Call To Worship

Prayer - David Pugh

Song Leader: Joel Fetner

**Song #797:** Lord, We Come Before Thee Now (1,2,3,4)

Song #611: Heavenly Sunlight (1,2,3)
Song #334: 'Tis Midnight, And On Olive's Brow
(1,2,3,4)

Communion & Offering

Song #712: Jesus Is Coming Soon (1,3)
Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Peyton Watts 1 Peter 5:1-2a & Hebrews 13:17

Message: John Ross

Song #935: Sinners Jesus Will Receive (1,4)

Announcements

Song #634: We'll Work Till Jesus Comes (1)

Prayer - Bobby Phillips

Obey Your Leaders And Submit To Their Authority. They Keep Watch Over You As Men Who Must Give An Account. Obey Them So That Their Work Will Be A Joy, Not A Burden, For That Would Be Of No Advantage To You.

#### The Crucified Crook



If anyone was ever worthless, it was this guy. If any man ever deserved to die, this man probably did. If any fellow was ever a loser, he was at the top of the list.

Perhaps that is why Jesus chose him to show us what he thinks of the human race.

Maybe this criminal had heard the Messiah speak. Maybe he had seen Jesus love the lowly. Maybe he had watched Him dine with the punks, pickpockets on the streets. Maybe not. Maybe the only thing he knew about this Messiah was what he now saw: a beaten, slashed, nail-suspended preacher. His face crimson with blood; His bones peeking through torn flesh; His lungs gasping for air.

But something told him he had never been in better company. And somehow he realized that even though all he had was prayer, he had finally met the One to whom he should pray.

So he spoke: "Any chance that you could put in a good word for me?" (Loose translation.)

The reply: "Consider it done."

Now....why did Jesus do that? What in the world did He have to gain by promising this outlaw a place of honor at the banquet table? I mean, the Samaritan woman, okay. She could go back and tell the story. And Zacchaeus had some money that he could give. But this guy? What is he going to do?

#### Nothing!

That's the point. Jesus' love doesn't depend upon what we do for Him. In the eyes of the King, you have value simply because you are. You don't have to look nice or perform well. Your value is inborn. Period!

Think about that for just a minute. You are valuable just because you exist. Not because of what you do or what you have done, but simply because you are. Remember that. The next time someone tries to pass you off as a cheap buy, just think about the way Jesus honors you...and smile.

I do. I smile because I know I don't deserve love like that. None of us do. When you get right down to it, any contribution that any of us make is pretty puny. All of us - even the purest of us - deserve heaven about as much as that crook did. All of us are signing on Jesus' credit card, not ours.

And it also makes me smile to think that there is a grinning ex-con walking the golden streets who knows more about grace than a thousand theologians. No one else would have given him a prayer. But in the end that is all that he had. And in the end, that's all it took.

# **Upcoming Events**



June 26: Youth Devotional hosted by the Stratton & Lindsey families at the Stratton home after PM worship (transportation provided). Bring a swimsuit (modest) and towel.

June 29: Singing Night—Birthday/Anniversary Celebration.

**July 3:** Pot Luck Lunch—Group 3 in charge. Church will provide BBQ meat. Members bring sides, desserts and drinks.

July 15: Youth Church Service Project

July 17: PM worship at Oxford Lake—Hot Dog Community Cook-out—4pm to 6pm (Pavilion 8)

July 21: Youth trip to Trussville Play Station

July 27: Singing Night & Birthday / Anniversary

Celebration

July 29-30: Youth Lock-In

### THANK YOU!!!

For everyone that worked so tirelessly to make this year's Vacation Bible School a success—we say THANK YOU!!! From all the countless preparation hours, to the team of talented members that decorated, to the teachers, crew members, kitchen staff, teen volunteers and parent's that brought your children and friends/family each night. It is truly a team effort and it would not have been a success without each and every one of you. God was glorified this past week—His light has shown through each of you!

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

6/26—Breanna Banks

6/27—Malachi McGowan

6/28—Jaylynn Johnston, M/M Alan Rochester

7/1—Landon Watts, Phyllis Haynes, Courtney Madgrial, M/M Ray Ishee

7/2-M/M Phil Waits

## Remember in Prayer..



#### Our Sick...

**Charlene Smith** is recovering from knee replacement surgery and is currently going through rehab. (PO Box 255, Munford 36268)

**Mabel Dowdey** will not be undergoing any additional treatments at this time. The doctors will monitor her over the next several months to see if that approach needs to be changed. (3095 Mudd Street, Lincoln 35096)

#### Friends & Family...

**Deana Gaskin** is recovering from open heart surgery last week to remove a tumor that was attached to the back of her heart. The surgery went well and they tumor appears to be benign. (225 Brooke Lane, Anniston 36207)

**Scott Dunaway** (cousin of **Russell Johnston**) has a rapidly degrading form of MS. He has been approved for a new medical study that will hopefully stop the progression and perhaps reverse some of the damage already done. (PO Box 906, Fort Mill, South Carolina 29716)

**Angelynn Luckadoo** has been having a series of complications related to her heart and lung transplant – possible rejection. (204 Hickory Hill Lane, Munford 36268)

**Dallas Leonard** (nephew of **Jake**) has been suffering with chronic seizures and they have become more frequent. Please remember him and his parents, Donny & Sara, in your prayers as doctors try to determine the cause. (7 Pacific Ct, Carriere, MS 39426)

**Tracy Williams** (sister of **Teresa Tims**) has been in the hospital at RMC undergoing tests. (1627 Coleman Road, Lot 25, Oxford 36203)

**Fala Mowery** (sister of **Myra Pugh**) is recovering from surgery due to an infection in her chest. (1431 Hicks Store Road, Tallassee, AL 36078)

#### Angels Are Rejoicing...

**Payton Smith** was baptized into Christ last Sunday morning. Payton is the son of **Matt & Shannon Smith**. Please offer your support and encouragement and keep Payton in your prayers as he begins his walk with our Lord. (806 Mountainbrook Road, Oxford 36203)

#### Sympathy...

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Jimmy "Dale" Jackson (brother of Virginia Brewer) who passed away last Monday. Funeral services were held this past Thursday. Please keep Virginia, as well as all of his family, in your prayers during the difficult days ahead. (Virginia & Bill Brewer 165 Oak Pointe Drive, Cropwell 35054)
We also extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Harold Bridges (husband of Kathy Bridges, friend of Linda Galbreath) who passed away last week. Please keep Kathy as well as all the family in your prayers during this difficult time. (Kathy Bridges—921 Bernard Couch Drive, Anniston 36207)

#### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Helen Lee 74 Alan Drive Oxford, AL 36203 Please make a note in your directories.



# Those Privileged to Serve: June 2016 Song Leaders:

26th - Joel Fetner

AM: Opening Prayer Closing Prayer

26th: David Pugh Bobby Phillips

PM: Opening Prayer Closing Prayer

26th: Jeff Tims Rusty Stephens

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

**Presiding**: Brian Forbus **Assisting**: Jason Webb, Tyler Johnston, Spencer Austin, Chad Watts, Matt Smith, Frank Tant, Eddie Jennings, David Austin

#### **Ushers**:

Ted Haynes, Jerry Wilson, Jamie Burgess, Duane Stephens, Marcus Denney, Landon Watts

#### **Little Lambs:**

26th: Linda Galbreath & Andi Johnston

#### **Greeters:**

West Entrance: Cathy & Joel Fetner
East Entrance: Linda & Elton Carter
Main Foyer: Eleanor Eaton, Robin Houston, Dianne Ross,
Marty Livingston, Zachary Briley

#### **Security Duty:**

26th: Avery Pressley & Jeff Tims

Prepare Communion: Jeff & Teresa Tims

Secure Building: Fred Denney
Youth Activity Host: Stratton & Lindsey Families

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

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

-Chef Boyardee Meals

-Pudding Cups





# **BVH Leaders**

Elders:

Bill Brewer

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Elton Carter

Fred Denney

James Lindsey

**Bob Templin** 

**Deacons:** 

**Kevin Briley** 

(Safety & Security)

Brian Forbus

(Worship Organization)

James Galbreath

(Food Ministry, Building)

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2.
3.
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- 1. RESPECTED IN PUBLIC
- 2. COMMITTED TO SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP
- 3. A DEVOTED FAMILY MAN

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