BETTA VIEW HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST

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August 28, 2016

**Today:** 

"God's Valuable People"

Shower Group 2—Meet down front immediately following morning worship.

### **Tonight:**

Youth Devotional at the Ross home Everyone please bring \$5.00 to cover the cost of pizza

<u>Wednesday:</u> Singing Night & Birthday / Anniversary Celebration

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

Order of Worship Call To Worship

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Prayer - Frank Thomas Song Leader: Rusty Stephens

Song #: How Deep The Father's Love (1,2,3)

### **Communion & Offering**

Song #745: Humble Yourself (1,2,4) Song # 794: Unto Thee, O Lord (1,2,3) Song #851: I'll Fly Away Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Peyton Watts John 10:11-14

Message: John Ross

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

Announcements Song #889: I Am Bound For The Promised Land

**Prayer - Calvin Phillips** 

How Great Is The Love The Father Has Lavished On Us, That We Should Be Called Children Of God!

### **5 Things Elders Need To Hear Regularly**

If it were not tragic, it would be funny. That is this: often, the only thing elders ever hear from the congregation is complaining.

If things are going well, we just assume the elders know we appreciate it. But let things start going downhill-even just a little bitand we have no problem talking to our shepherds.

Part of being in a position of leadership is understanding that you will hear complaints at times. It comes with the territory. But it really is tragic that too many elders only hear complaints, though they are striving to help people grow closer to the Lord and reach heaven.

Elders are not perfect men, but those who are in this position of leadership are worthy of our consideration and kindness. Additionally, they need to be built up through our words on a regular basis.

To that end, here are 5 things that elders need to hear from each member on a regular basis:

**1. I Pray For You.** Carrying the weight of watching over the souls of a congregation is a very heavy task, indeed. Elders need to know that members are regularly bringing their names and concerns before the throne of God.

**2. I Trust You.** Our society always leans toward distrust of anyone in any position of leadership. Yes, that bleeds over into the church. Elders need to hear that the members trust their wise judgement. Even if the elders make mistakes, their intent is not to be harmful or disruptive. They need to know that you know that!

**3. I Pray For Your Wife.** One of the hardest roles in the church is that of being the wife of an elder. When something is heavy upon the heart of her husband but, due to confidence, he cannot share that with her, it weighs on her heart and mind, as well. She needs your prayers, too, and elders need to know that the members do not treat their wives as some group of "others," but as ladies who need our prayers.

**4. I Think Our Future Is Bright.** Elders are constantly hearing from people about how things "used to be." "Back when we were..." is a very common beginning to many conversations with elders. While that certainly has its place, elders need to know that you think the congregation has a bright and God-glorifying future. While they do not seek nor want the credit, it helps put wind in their sails to know that their vision of what-with God's help-could be is being shared.

**5. Thank You.** Those two words mean the world to anyone, but especially to those in positions of leadership. Long hours, heartwrenching prayers, and sleepless nights are the parts of the work that most people do not see. All we see is the fruit of all those things. For those things we should be grateful, and that gratitude needs to be regularly expressed.

Elders hold an office that simply is unequaled in its importance. These pastors love souls, and want the church to grow in number, spirit, and unity. They understand the depth and breadth of their position, and they also know the pressures that come with it.

Just a few words, regularly and honestly spoken by the members, will help these men lighten their load and bring more joy to their lives.

# **Upcoming Events**



August 31: Singing Night and Birthday/

Anniversary Celebration—Angie Lindsey in charge of cake.

September 4: Pot Luck Lunch—Food Group 2 in charge. Menu theme is Soups / Salads / Sandwiches. The church will not be providing any meats. Please bring enough for your family plus a few more. Thanks! No 5pm service.

September 10: House warming for Jake & Brooke Leonard—2pm to 4pm at their home (11 Raptor Way, Anniston). Suggestions for gifts—gift cards from Wal-Mart, Target, Lowe's.

September 15: A Night Out With Public Safety— Oxford Civic Center—5pm to 8pm

September 20: GEMS Meeting—10am

**October 2:** Friends & Family Day—Mark your calendars and start inviting your friends and family for this special day of worship & fellowship. Post cards and flyers are available in the foyer for you to mail out to friends or post wherever you can. We will have our regular pot luck lunch after worship service. Church will provide meat—members please bring sides, desserts and drinks. **Food Group 3** will be in charge.

## This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

-Cheese Crackers



-Applesauce

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

8/29—Henliee Rainey, M/M Hugo Tims, M/M Anthony Cherry

8/30—Reagan Webb, John D Austin, Ronald Strickland

8/31—Angie Fortner, M/M Bob Templin, M/M James Lindsey

9/1—Patsy Watts, Demetrius Vines, M/M Steve Akers

9/2—Irene Wilson

# Remember in Prayer..



## Our Sick...

Jeannie Strickland fell last week and suffered a broken hip. She has been in the hospital in Stringfellow. (161 Huckleberry Ridge, Anniston 36201) **Pam James** is having issues with her new diabetic medication. (2688 Gunnels Lane, Oxford 36203)

## Frignds & Family...

Joyce Bowman had knee surgery this week. (107 Wyndham Circle, Athens, AL 35611)

Stacy Thomas (friend of Tammy Cobb) is having health and personal issues. (200 Co Road 37, Florence 35634)

Rosie Shifflet (friend of Helen Lackey) has been in ICU. (130 Seasons Way, Talladega 35160)

Nicole Peoples (friend of Andi Johnston) is recovering from hip replacement surgery this past Wednesday. (3921 Tallassahatchie Road, Alpine 35014)

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Wednesday morning Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 7th at 10am.

#### A NIGHT OUT WITH PUBLIC SAFETY September 15th—5pm to 8pm **Oxford Civic Center Lower Parking Lot**

This is a community event organized by the Oxford Police Department to promote police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods better and safer places to live. We've been invited to participate and to provide some children's activities. This is a great outreach opportunity for us in that it allows the public to see Betta View out in the community. It lets them see the joy we have as Christians and gives us the opportunities to share God's love. Please make plans to come out and help us meet our community!

We need candy donations so we can stock the booth with some sweet treat handouts—A box will be set up in the foyer for your donations!

### Those Privileged to Serve:

August 2016

Song Leaders:

28th-Rusty Stephens

**AM: Opening Prayer** 28th: Frank Thomas

**Closing Prayer** Calvin Phillips

**PM: Opening Prayer** 28th: Bob Templin

**Closing Prayer** Eric Ishee

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: John David Austin Assisting: Charles Elston, Keith Yarbrough, Jason Webb, Chad Watts, Mike Tims, Benjamin Lackey, Wayne Carden, Kenny Stratton

### Ushers:

Landon Watts, Jeff Tims, Marcus Denney, Jeff Tims, Chase Williams, Tyler Johnston, David Austin

Little Lambs:

28th: Maggie Freeman & Donna Timmons

### Greeters:

West Entrance: Jerry & Irene Wilson East Entrance: Bob & Jan Templin Main Foyer: Carolyn Elston, Helen Lee, Matt Smith, Keith Timmons, Shelby Stratton

### Security Duty:

28th: Geoff Williams & Kevin Briley

Prepare Communion: Andi Johnston Secure Building: Forrester Tillson Youth Activity Host: Ross Family Contact Elder: Fred Denney

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



Please be aware that the classrooms for Sunday morning Bible School are set up on Thursday or Friday afternoons so that they are ready for the teachers on Sunday morning. If you come up to the building to work, please make sure that the stations and worksheets are not disturbed in the classrooms. Thanks!

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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) 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)

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**Children's Ministry Activities Coordinator: Eric Ishee** 

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#### Service Times:

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

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

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## **God's Valuable People**

Outside of church, where would you most likely to hear the 23rd Psalm?

- 1. 2. But it's really a song about
- 1. A song about life filled with Α. David visualized God preparing a before him in the presence of his \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps 23:5)
- 2. A song about life filled with A. \_\_\_\_\_and Sheep are not described in flattering terms.

We have \_\_\_\_\_ because God gives it to us!

- 3. A song about life filled with
- 4. A song about a life of

"The \_\_\_\_\_ is MY \_\_\_\_\_."

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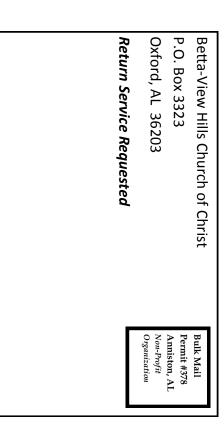
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