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February 12, 2017

Today:

"The Holy Spirit: Check the Spiritual Gauge"

Softball Meeting following morning worship for men & women interested in playing church league softball this season.

Tonight:

L2L practice for *boys only* 4:30pm in Room 182 Oral Bible Reading, Song Leading, and Speech

Contact Elder for February — Brian Forbus 256-831-2471 Order of Worship

Call To Worship
Song: How Can I Keep From Singing

Prayer - Bob Templin

Song Leader: David West

Song #543: Wonderful Words of Life (1,3)

Song #453: Love Lifted Me (1,3) **Song #351:** He Bore It All (1,2,3)

Communion & Offering

Song #250: The Great Redeemer (1,3) **Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour**

Scripture Reading: Zachary Briley
Galatians 5:24-25

Message: John Ross

Song #**616:** The Way of the Cross (1,3)

Announcements

Song #: Lead Me to Some Soul Today

Prayer - Jim Denney

He Who Dwells In The Shelter Of The Most High Will Rest In The Shadow Of The Almighty

Play To Your Strengths

Some people waste a lot of energy wishing they could do things they can't. They hear someone play the piano and say, "If only I could make such beautiful music!" They watch an athlete, hear a stirring speech, or read a great novel and lament, "I wish I could do that!"

My theory is that everybody is good at something and that the key to achievement and satisfaction is in knowing what that something is – developing it to a maximal degree, and using it. In other words, *play to your strengths*.

A young family has a daughter who is dreaming about what she wants to do when she grows up. As with most seven-year-olds, she sees the world as her domain to conquer. She has ruled nothing out. You have to admire that kind of optimism — and pray that nothing wrings it out of her.

At the same time, her optimism must have a bit of reality mixed in with it. Her current hot options are between being a singer and a star tennis player. The reality factor here is that she occasionally hits the tennis ball, but she never hits a note. So her mom and dad have had no great difficulty in deciding between voice lessons and tennis instruction.

With grown-ups, time is more of the essence. We don't have another five or ten years to go over our unlimited options. So how do you find your strengths? Begin with four sheets of paper, and use these headings: (1) things that are easy for me, (2) things people tell me I do well, (3) things that make me lose track of time, and (4) things that are fun and fulfilling for me.

Now circle the thing(s) that appear on *all four lists*. You've probably discovered your strength(s).

Conventional wisdom may tell you to find your areas of greatest weakness and shore them up. **Does that really make sense**? You'll probably never be more than mediocre at something you dislike, try to avoid, and feel frustrated doing. If you're tone deaf, don't waste money on voice lessons. Try tennis instead.

It seems far wiser to explore your aptitudes, passions, and talents. Focus and develop your energies there. Become really, really good at something you enjoy. You will find tremendous satisfaction in generating excellence in your field. And the great likelihood is that people will reward you for it.

"A man can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in his work. This too, I see, is from the hand of God" (Ecclesiastes 2:24).

Welcome Home!

Kellen, Tricey, Jada, Tyreic & Zierra Foster have moved back to the area and are placing

210 Brenda Road Anniston, AL 36206



Please make a note in your directories.

membership with the BVH family.

Upcoming Events



February 17-19: Winterfest Gatlinburg!
February 21: GEMS Meeting—10am

February 21: Ladies Devo at Western Sizzlin in Oxford—5:45pm. Bring a wrapped candle (\$8 or less), unmarked with your name & prayer requests **inside** the wrapped gift.

February 22: Singing Night

February 25: Discipleship Workshop—8:30am to 2:00pm. Members please sign up to bring food.

March 5: Pot Luck Lunch—Church will provide meat. Members bring sides, desserts and drinks. No 5pm service. **Food Group 1** (Shelly's group) will be in charge of set-up and clean up.

March 12: Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 18: Ladies Day at Sixteenth & Noble Street church of Christ. Registration & breakfast begins at 8:30am. Lunch to be served after the program at 11:00am. (details posted on bulletin board in foyer)

March 21: GEMS Meeting—10am

BVH Annual Discipleship Workshop

Our 3rd Annual Discipleship Workshop will be Saturday, February 25th and Sunday, February 26th. Steve Cloer will be here again this year presenting a series of lessons on Ezekiel's Revelation of a Missionary God. Saturday's schedule begins at 8:30am and goes to 2:30pm. BVH members will be providing Continental breakfast and lunch (please sign up to help bring food on sheet in foyer). Sunday's time will be normal bible study and worship hours. We hope to see all of our BVH family here!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

2/12—Alan Rochester, M/M Neill Brown

2/13—Kaylin Rainey

2/14—Tony Watts, Scott Cobb, M/M Charles Elston

2/16—Ashley Brock

2/18—Adam Brown, Jacob Brown, Jacob Leonard

2/19—Charline Smith

Remember in Prayer..



Our Sick. . .

Debra Champion is scheduled for surgery on February 14th for a colon re-section and will be in ICU at St. Vincent's until the doctors feel like she can be moved to a regular room. Once she is completely healed from this surgery, they will proceed with plans to remove the brain tumor. (9043 Weaver Avenue, Leeds 35094)

Ray Ishee went back to the cardiologist and the medication is not working. He will have a procedure to correct the AFIB on February 20th at Grandview Hospital. (3916 Lera Drive, Anniston 36207)

Hazel Waites had a procedure done to shock her heart back into rhythm last Tuesday. (139 Hickory Drive, Oxford 36203)

Willodean Carter is recovering from surgery last week. They were not able to remove all of the cancer from the upper part of her bladder so she will be undergoing treatments. (839 Pinecliff Drive, Oxford 36203)

Lester McClain is recovering from back surgery. (1134 Cecile Drive, Oxford 36203)

Friends & Family...

Milo Daniel Waits (grandson of Phil & Donna Waits) was born Monday night, February 6th. He was born with heart related issues and is currently in NICU at Northside Hospital in Atlanta. He is doing better than expected and may get to go home soon. Parents are Bryan & Erin Waits.

Joel Smith (friend of **Russell & Andi Johnston**) has been in the hospital with AFIB. (1741 Priebes Mill Road, Oxford 36203)

Sympathy...

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Brian Bradley** who passed away last weekend. Please keep Kelvin in your prayers during the difficult days ahead. (28 Howle Road, Oxford 36203)

We also express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Jim McKnight** who also passed away last weekend. Please remember Jim's sister, Penny, and family, as well as the Rainbow Omega family in your prayers during this difficult time. (Penny & John Naugle – 5 Harpel Avenue, Hatfield, PA 19440)

Those Privileged to Serve: February 2017 Song Leaders:

12th – David West 19th – Shaun Stancil 26th – John Ross

AM: Opening Prayer

12th: Bob Templin

19th: Wayne Carden

Closing Prayer

Jim Denney

Frank Tant

26th: Frank Thomas Britt Parker

PM: Opening Prayer Closing Prayer

12th: John David AustinEric Ishee19th: Kevin BrileyPatrick Houston26th: James FarmerCalvin Phillips

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: Bobby Phillips

Assisting: Jason Webb, Chad Watts, Spencer Austin, Tyler Johnston, Bubba Bullington, Duane Stephens, Eric Ishee, Trey Forbus

Ushers:

Harold Bean, Kenny Stratton, Calvin Phillips, Jamie Burgess, Eddie Jennings, Charles Elston

Little Lambs:

12th: Alicia Forbus & Debbie Mitchell 19th: Jan Templin & Susan Briley 26th: Donna Timmons & Linda Carter

Greeters:

West Entrance: Jeff & Teresa Tims
East Entrance: Kenny & Pam Stratton
Main Foyer: Marty Livingston, Virginia Brewer, Shannon
Smith, Keith Yarbrough, Zachary Briley

Security Duty:

12th: Kevin Briley & Norman Morrison 19th: James Galbreath & Jeff Tims 26th: Mike Tims & Geoff Williams

Prepare Communion: Dianne Ross
Secure Building: John Ross
Youth Activity Host:
Contact Elder: Brian Forbus

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

This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

-Soup

-Mac n Cheese





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Bill Brewer

Kevin Briley

Elton Carter

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James Lindsey

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Baptistery)

Marty Livingston

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Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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Wednesday

Morning Study: 10:00am-

11:00am

Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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The Holy Spirit: Check the Spiritual Gauge

The Holy Spirit:
1. When Jesus returned to the Father, He sent the Holy Spirit ().
A promise was made to anyone who repents and submits themselves to baptism.
3. () The H.S. is the mark of our salvation.
4. () If we don't have the Holy Spirit living in us, we don't belong to Jesus.
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- 4. (ROMANS 8:9) If we don't have the Holy Spirit living in us. we don't belong to Jesus.

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Jesus' analogy (MATTHEW 12:33) Good and bad FRUIT

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