



VOICE

BETTA VIEW

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February 25, 2018

Today:

***“Justification:
Don’t Complicate It”***

Tonight:

Youth Led Worship

NEXT Sunday:

Potluck Lunch

Group 1 in charge

No PM service

Contact Elder for February –
Brian Forbus 256-831-2471

Order of Worship

Call To Worship

Song #: All To Us

Prayer - Britt Parker

Song Leader: David West

Song #882: No Tears In Heaven (1,2,3)

Song #535: The Glory-Land Way (1,3)

***Song #315: When I Survey The Wondrous Cross
(1,3,4)***

Communion & Offering

Song #351: He Bore It All (1,2,3)

Children dismiss to Children’s Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Zachary Briley

Romans 3:22-24

Message: John Ross

Song #904: Have You Been To Jesus (1,4)

Announcements

Song #535: The Glory-Land Way (1)

Prayer - Elton Carter

***“Righteousness From God Comes Through Faith In
Jesus Christ To All Who Believe”***

From Coward to Hero



John Callender was a young officer under George Washington in the Revolutionary War. He failed miserably during the Battle of Bunker Hill and was dismissed from the army for behaving as a coward. On his papers, Gen. Washington wrote this: "Cowardice - a crime, of all others the most injurious, and the last to be forgiven."

To his credit, Callender allowed his shame and embarrassment to move him to try to make up for what he had done and to redeem his good name. He didn't join the Redcoats. He didn't take his own life. Instead, he re-enlisted as a private and behaved with such obvious courage at the Battle of Long Island that Washington revoked his earlier sentence and reinstated him as a captain.

The story of John Callender has a lesson in it for all of us. Nobody goes through life without episodes of weakness, failure, and humiliation. Those with the courage to begin again are people to be respected.

It isn't easy to be honest with oneself about failure and sin. The tendency is to be defensive and proud. Scripture holds that such a spirit hinders forgiveness. *"But He gives us even more grace to stand against such evil desires. As scripture says, 'God opposes the proud, but favors the humble.' . . . let there be tears for what you have done. Let there be sorrow and deep grief. Let there be sadness instead of laughter, and gloom instead of joy. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up in honor."* (James 4:6, 9-10 NLT).

Instead of lamenting the difficulty in starting again from scratch, we learn from past failures to achieve successes that might have been impossible otherwise. This time you know the things to avoid, the dangerous temptations that can turn you back from your goal, and the frailties within your own personality. Having failed and knowing what contributed to your failure, you can take steps that make success far more likely in the new effort.

Nobody ever failed more miserably than Peter. He was a chosen apostle, special friend to the Lord, and leader among his peers. But he fled when Jesus was arrested and denied Him three times in the high priest's courtyard. When Jesus later gave Peter the chance to begin again, as recorded at John 21:15-23, he took it and made the best of it.

Look at your situation. If you are grieving failure, sin, and confusion, have the courage to throw yourself on God's mercy and to ask His help to begin again.

Upcoming Events



- February 28:** Singing Night
- March 4:** Potluck Lunch (**Food Group 1** in charge) - no PM worship service
- March 7:** Revelation Wednesday
- March 11:** Oxford Lake Cook-out
- March 11:** Daylight Savings Time
- March 20:** GEMS—10am
- March 28:** Singing Night
- March 30-April 1:** Lads to Leaders Conference in Atlanta
- April 1:** Easter Sunday—no PM worship service.

Giftcard "Shower"

Congratulations to **Brooke Champion** on her upcoming marriage! Rather than having a shower, we will be collecting giftcards to Wal-Mart, Target, or Bed, Bath & Beyond to give to Brooke between now & **March 25th**. Please give those to **Sharon or Andi**—Thanks!

This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

- Applesauce
- Pudding Cups



Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 2/26—Raleigh Ferguson
- 2/28—Alyssa Tims
- 3/1—Pam Stratton, Deidra Shaffield
- 3/2—Trevor Howell, M/M Patrick Houston
- 3/3—M/M Eddie Jennings
- 3/4—Thelma Forbus

Remember in Prayer . . .



Our Sick . . .

Maggie Freeman is still recovering from knee replacement surgery. She is currently undergoing rehab at Aspire Rehab facility in Hoover. She should be there for the next two weeks. She is feeling much better. (1107 Montvue Road, Anniston 36207)

Tommy Tinney continues his battle with cancer. (PO Box 81, Munford 36268)

Brooke Leonard has been having issues with severe migraines. (11 Raptor Way, Anniston 36207)

Friends & Family . . .

Frances Stephens (mother of **Linda Galbreath**) has been in the hospital at RMC with pneumonia. (1459 Cedars Road, Munford 36268)

Angels Are Rejoicing . . .

We are excited to announce that **Will West** was baptized into Christ last Saturday at Winterfest. Please keep Will in your prayers and encourage him as he begins his walk with our Lord. (171 Cheryl Lane, Eastaboga 36260)

We are also so happy to announce that **Andie Cooper** was baptized into Christ last Sunday night. Continue to lift Andie up in prayer and encourage her as she begins her daily walk with our Lord. (PO Box 114, Anniston 36202)

Sympathy...

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Karl Stratton** (father of **Kenny Stratton**) who passed away last Sunday. The funeral was held this past Thursday in Pell City. Please remember Kenny and family in your prayers during this difficult time. (118 Willow Cove Road, Oxford 36203)

We also express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Joe Stewart**. Joe passed away last Monday evening. Graveside funeral service was held this past Friday at Pine Hill in Talladega. Please continue to lift Debbie and family up in prayer during the difficult days ahead. (556 Carter Street, Munford 36268)

We also send our deepest sympathy out to the family of **Judy Turner** (**Lorene Turner's** mother) who passed away Thursday night. Please remember this family as you pray as they face the difficult days ahead. (602 Lowrimore Road, Alexandria 36250)

Those Privileged to Serve: February 2018

25th — David West

AM: Opening Prayer

25th: Britt Parker

Closing Prayer

Elton Carter

PM: Opening Prayer

25th: James Lindsey

Closing Prayer

James Farmer

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding:

25th — Frank Tant

Assisting: Kellen Foster, Eric Ishee, Trey Forbus, Rod Elston, Dan Hopkins, Norman Morrison, Jason Webb, Eric Ross, Keith Yarbrough, Jamie Burgess

Ushers:

Tyler Johnston, Harold Bean, Sam Reaves, Mike Tims

Little Lambs:

25th: Rachel Tant & Tiffany Strickland

Greeters:

West Entrance: Virginia Brewere & Calvin Phillips

East Entrance: Cathy Fetner & Zachary Briley

Main Foyer: Dorothy Phillips, James Galbreath, Linda Carter

Security Duty:

25th: Marcus Denney & Geoff Williams

Prepare Communion: Calvin & Dorothy Phillips

Secure Building: Kenny & Pam Stratton

Youth Activity Host: Winterfest

Contact Elder: Brian Forbus

If you are unable to serve please contact

Brian Forbus @ 256-831-2471.

OXFORD LAKE COMMUNITY COOK-OUT

March 11th 5pm to 7pm — We will host a community cook-out at Oxford Lake. The church will provide hot dogs and buns. Members please plan to bring chips, cookies, brownies, etc and canned soft drinks and bottled water.

We need a volunteer to take the grill to and from the lake. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for an afternoon of fellowship and fun!

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Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

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People have complicated the doctrine of _____.

Rom 3:23-24

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and are JUSTIFIED FREELY by His grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus."

How CAN we receive justification?

1. It must come from _____ – because we can't do it on our own.

"Justified": a legal term meaning a formal _____ from _____.

2. It doesn't fit our _____ of _____.

Romans 3:26

"He did it (atonement) to demonstrate His justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus."

We Care and We Pray. . .

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