



# VOICE

## BETTA VIEW

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May 20, 2018

Today:

*"We've Forgotten"*

Tonight:

**Graduation Banquet**  
**Fellowship Hall – 5:00pm**

NEXT Sunday Night:

**Community Project**  
**Random Acts of Kindness**  
**ages 4yr to teens**  
**meet in gym at 4:30pm**

Contact Elder for May – Elton Carter

### *Order of Worship*

*Call To Worship*

*Song #: 10,000 Reasons*

*Prayer - David Pugh*

*Song Leader: Rusty Stephens*

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

*Communion & Offering*

*Song #76: How Great Thou Art*

*Song #587: Sing And Be Happy (1,3)*

*Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour*

*Scripture Reading: Bailey Livingston*  
*Luke 22:31-32*

*Message: Jacob Leonard*

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

*Announcements*

*Song #853: When We All Get To Heaven (1)*

*Prayer - Bobby Lackey*

*"We Know That In All Things God Works For The Good Of Those Who Love Him, Who Have Been Called According To His Purpose."*

## Choose this day whom you will serve. (Joshua 24:15)

High school/college graduation is a rite of passage unlike any other. You move from being treated like a child (legally) to being counted an adult, both in society and in any academic setting you might enter. Colleges aren't even allowed to discuss your grades with your parents apart from your consent. Childhood is over. Adulthood beckons. How should you respond to the blessing and challenge?

### 1. Own Your Faith.

If you come from a Christian home, you have benefited tremendously from a host of supportive circumstances (household rules, numerous protections, church life). Testing awaits as you enter the world. It won't be enough to ride the coat tails of your parents' faith. If you're not sure about Christianity, now is the time to settle the matter (Ecc. 12:1). Christianity is a faith unlike any other because it's based on historical events that were verifiable to thousands of people in Christ's day (1 Cor. 15:3-6, 12-14) — some of whom died for what they would have known to be false, had it been false. If you have doubts, ask away. The existence of God, the reliability of the Bible, the resurrection of Jesus, Jesus being the only way to God — there is a wealth of material which addresses these and other questions. But do you *want* to base your life on Jesus Christ? You'll soon encounter new opportunities to misuse God's good gifts in ways that seem alluring — that seem to offer immediate pleasure. Will you believe the lie that God is a cosmic killjoy, out to rob you from experiencing the good things of life (Gen. 3:6)? Or will you trust that the One who made you knows best, that his rules are an expression of his love, and that his ways lead to your greatest happiness (Psalm 16:11)?

### 2. Own Your Relationships.

The Christian faith is lived out in community. So you'll need to find a good church. Somewhere you can worship, learn, grow, and serve. Somewhere you can form friendships and where you can be a friend. Look at a few church websites before you leave home. Check out their beliefs, listen to their sermons, and be aware of their ministries. Make church attendance a priority early. It's a harder habit to form later.

At college, the easiest friendships aren't always the best. To become wise, you need to walk (or do life) with the wise (Prov. 13:20). Look for others who share your commitment to the things of God and faithfully invest in them. Relational evangelism is worth pursuing, especially at college, but make sure you also nurture friendships that strengthen your faith (Prov. 27:17). We're commanded to be salt and light (Matt. 5:13-16) — which presupposes we *are* salt and light. To make a difference in the world we must be different than the world. Holiness in lifestyle, combined with a gracious demeanor, provide a winsome alternative to the wasteland of hedonism and materialism that are rampant on college campuses and youth culture in general.

### 3. Own Your Decisions.

Assessing situations, weighing alternatives, and thinking critically are like using muscles. Flabbiness comes from disuse; strength comes through practice. The next few years are full of choices — which college (or trade) to pursue, what to study, how to pay for it, and more. It might be nice if God spoke with an audible voice at each crossroads, but that's not been my experience. We should pray (James 1:5). We should seek counsel from trustworthy people who know us (Prov 15:22). We should consider where we've been successful and what activities we enjoy, as these point to where, over time, we might be most useful in this world for the good of others and the glory of God.

Panicked that you'll miss God's will? God wants us to follow him more than we do. His moral will is revealed in the Bible. His sovereign will is revealed as we live it. So make the best decisions you can based on sound judgment, accept the consequences, learn from any missteps, and trust God to shower you with mercy and goodness (Ps. 23:6). With God no path is without difficulty and no path is without blessing. Congratulations on your graduation. Godspeed in the days ahead. Grace be with you to the end.

-Article from [desiringgod.org](http://desiringgod.org)

## Upcoming Events



**May 20:** Graduation Banquet during PM worship. Meal will be provided. Members are asked to bring desserts and drinks.

**May 27:** Random Acts of Kindness in our community—Youth trip for ages 4 through teens. Meet in gym at 4:30pm. See Shelly for details.

**May 30:** Singing Night

**June 3:** Pot Luck Lunch—Group 1 in charge

**June 4-8:** Gulf Coast Bible Camp—Youth Group

**June 19:** GEMS Meeting—10am

**June 24—27:** VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL—WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!

## WE NEED TEACHERS!

Sign-up sheets are in the foyer for teachers for Summer Quarter beginning in June. If you can help please be sure to sign up today!

See Sharon with questions.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Dates for this year's Vacation Bible School will be June 24-June 27. 6pm to 8pm. There will be classes for all ages. We need volunteers. If you can help please sign up!

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

5/20—Shelby Stratton

5/21—Hugo Tims, Payton Watts

5/23—Helen Lackey, Taveon Barclay

5/24—M/M Jay Painter

5/25—Daniel Brown, Keith Stancil

5/27—Essie Figures, Timothy Lindsey

## Remember in Prayer. . .

### Sick. . .

**Pattie Bean** is recovering from shoulder replacement surgery. The surgery went well and she is doing well. (4213 Brian Drive, Anniston 36201)

**Debbie Mitchell** has been in the hospital at Stringfellow. (150 Hickory Lane, Oxford 36203)

**James & Angie Lindsey's** daughter **Terri Simmons** had surgery in Birmingham. (310 Camryn Circle, Anniston 36207)

**Lane Taylor**, Sharon Limbaugh's brother is in ICU in Citizens Brookwood in Talladega. Please pray for him..

## *Those Privileged to Serve:*

*May 2018*

### Song Leaders:

20th – Rusty Stephens    27th – Shaun Stancil

### **AM: Opening Prayer**

20th: David Pugh

27th: Calvin Phillips

### **Closing Prayer**

Bobby Lackey

Brian Forbus

### **PM: Opening Prayer**

20th: Rick Pinkston

27th: James Farmer

### **Closing Prayer**

Kevin Briley

Jeff Tims

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

#### Presiding:

20th – Jacob Leonard    27th – Bobby Phillips

#### Assisting:

Scott Sirmon, Duane Stephens, Kenny Stratton, Frank Thomas,  
Mike Tims, Keith Yarbrough, David Austin, Kellen Foster

### Ushers:

Rod Elston, Ron Chambless, Jeff Tims, Geoff Williams

### Little Lambs:

20th – Beth & Savannah Watts

27th – Linda Carter & Shannon Smith

### Greeters:

**West Entrance:** Jeff & Teresa Tims

**East Entrance:** James Galbreath & Linda Carter

**Main Foyer:** Willodean Carter, Cathy Fetner,  
Pam Stratton, Jerry Wilson

### Security Duty:

20th – Jay Painter & Russell Johnston

27th – Marcus Denney & Landon Watts

**Prepare Communion:** Andi Johnston

**Secure Building:** Fred Denney

**Youth Activity Host: Need Volunteers!**

**Contact Elder:** Elton Carter

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

## BVH Leaders

### Elders:

Kevin Briley  
Elton Carter  
Fred Denney  
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### Children's Ministry

#### Activities Coordinator:

Eric Ishee

#### Youth & Family Minister:

Jacob Leonard

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(Food Ministry, Backpack Program, Grounds)

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#### Sunday

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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We've Forgotten What \_\_\_\_\_ Is

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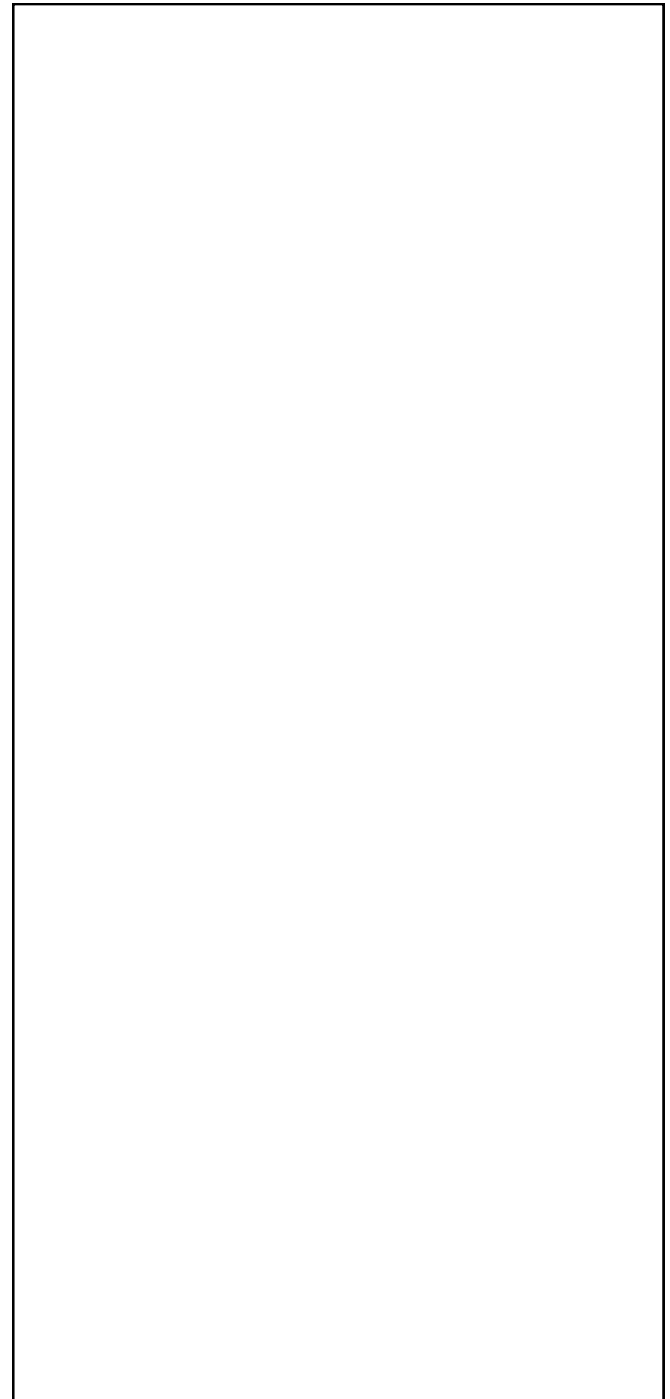
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