## October 4, 2020

Greetings, I trust you are well. Thank you to those who helped last Sunday morning and evening. Choir, we really need your help in the Loft for each service. We will load the Loft five minutes before each service—9:25, 10:45, and 5:55.

In the coming week, several of our people celebrate birthdays. Send them a card, email, text, or give them a call and sing "Happy Birthday."

Gwen Bryant (sop1) – Sun, Oct 4 Esther Berry (alto) – Thurs, Oct 8

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Thelma Allen (alto) – Wed, Oct 7 Sandra Camlin (alto) – Fri, Oct 9

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The contractor started work on the new sound system on Monday and the new speakers are hung. Lord willing, they will return to finish the job on Monday. So that we might enjoy the best possible services with our new equipment, we need to have a time together on Saturday, October 10—probably in the morning. We need every instrumentalist and the first 15 Sopranos, 15 Altos, and 15 Men who will commit to being present. When I have an exact time for the sound check (probably next week,) I will send out an email.

This morning I was reading in the book of Daniel and came across the phrase, "there is a God," from chapter 2. When I came to the phrase in chapter 2, "there is no other God," I stopped and went back. Then I wondered what else might go with these two phrases. Sure enough, I found a third – "He is our God."

It is good to know and believe there is a God. It is good to know and believe there is a God in heaven. It is good to know and believe there is no other God. But it is *great* to know and *great* to believe He is our God!

...there is a God - 1 Sam. 17:46

...there is a God in heaven - Dan. 2:28

...there is no other God - Dan. 3:29

...He is our God - Josh. 24:18

...He is our God - Ps. 95:7

Our pastor announced last Wednesday night that there will be no Living Christmas Tree this year. However, we will have two Christmas Eve services. At this point, we are planning for Choir and Orchestra in both services. Please plan to help as we honor the Lord and celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Our friend, Vaughn Padgett, crossed the finish line. He faithfully served the Lord at Florence Baptist Temple in many areas, but primarily with our children. With all his heart, he believed and practiced, "It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men." Vaughn will be missed. Please pray that Lord will raise up people to fill the gap his home going creates.

I look forward to seeing you this Lord's Day. It is a great joy serving as your minister of music.

blessings!