

Covington Family News

March 29, 2026

James 2:24&26
(KJV)

Ye see then how that
by works a man is justified,
and not by faith only.

For as the body
without the
spirit is dead,
so faith
without works
is dead also.



*Serving Our Community
for the Glory of God*

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SERVING THIS WEEK: 3/29/26 AM Worship Service

Announcements (all services): Brandon Matlock
Song Leader (all services): Jimmy McMahan
Opening Prayer: Andy Whaley
Sermon: Mike Rogers
Closing Prayer: Donnie Benjamin

Presiding Over the Lord's Table:

Head: Jerry Gatlin
Andy Whaley, Landon Bringle, Robert Charnock, Matt Moody,
Breck Beasley, Beau Phillips, Chris Huggins, Cody Strickland

Attendance Card Collectors (3/29)

Beau Glidewell, Eli Charnock, Noah Charnock

March Door Greeters:

Main Lobby Entrance: Ron & Judy Teems
Auditorium Entrance: Robert & Debra Brownlee

Lobby Management (3/29 & 4/1)

Security: Jeff Hanks

Worship Coordinator: Richard Shankle

Welcome Desk/Lobby Service: David Higgins

Nursery Worker: Kristine Bringle

Bus Driver (3/29 & 4/1)

Brad Evins

Evening Worship Service

Opening Prayer: Craig Robinson
Sermon: Mike Rogers
Closing Prayer: Will Thomason

Mid-Week Service/L2L Dress Rehearsal: April 1

Opening Prayer: Ken Bringle Jr.
Closing Prayer: Jeff Phillips

Attendance

Sunday Bible Class	146
Worship AM	211
PM	141
Wednesday Bible Study	115

VISITORS ARE OUR SPECIAL GUESTS

Cyril & Jamie Roethlisberg	Atoka, TN
Lydia & Isaiah Elliot	Henderson, TN
David Howard	Prattville, AL
Brenda George	Brownsville, TN

Elder on call for March: David Keith

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Schedule of Services

SUNDAY

Bible Classes 9:00AM
Worship 10:00AM & 5:30PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes 7:00 PM



LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION - 2026

The annual Lads to Leaders convention is almost here! Here is some important information for all of those attending the convention, as well as ways that everyone can help – even if you are not traveling to Little Rock:

FOOD ROOM – We need several items to help fuel us for the busy weekend. If you are not attending convention, you can help us fill the food room! A table is set up in the fellowship room for any of the following donations:

- Homemade cookies, brownies, or other hand-held desserts in disposable containers (*flavors other than lemon are gladly accepted!!*)
- Individual chip sack variety packs
- Pop-Tarts
- Cereal/Granola bars
- Little Debbie individual snacks
- Small water bottles (8 oz.)
- Capri-Sun / Juice box packs
- Mini-soda packs (7.5 oz. cans)
- Can't bake or make it to the store? Please give monetary donations to Becky Evins to help supply the food room.

DRESS REHEARSAL – Come and see the results of months of hard work from our youth and cheer them on their way to Little Rock! Be here on Wednesday, April 1 for a wonderful evening of youth-led praise, messages, puppet shows, and art work.

CONVENTION ATTENDEE REMINDERS:

- Meet after services this Sunday morning for important travel/convention information
- Pay Karla Combs your hotel charges or have your payment plans in place by this Sunday, March 29

Prayer List

Ginger Sallee – recovering from surgery
 Becky Todd – recovering from surgery
 Joyce Scott – cancer diagnosis
 Bear Phillips – Le Bonheur NICU
 Kelley Melton – recovering from a fall

Members with ongoing needs: Wesley Fowler, Phillip Scrip, Bobby White, Katie Merritt, Ann Huggins, Heath Billings, Larry Coughlan, Pat Gatlin, Judy Merritt, Bonita Rogers, Donna Sonwineski, Paulette Watkins, Larry Whaley II, Jimmy Willis

Loved ones to remember: John Fowler, Kathy Townsend, Ricky Hatcher, Kathleen Brown, Kyle Hanks, Jenny Garcia, Jason Elliott, Tony Hobbs, and Richie Spann

NURSING HOME

Covington Care: Shirley Laxton, Cynthia Wilson

MILITARY

Noah Liles, Tanner Mason, Chris Nowak, Parker Speight, Isaac Stewart

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of our brother *David Fulks*. David passed away on March 19. Visitation for David will be at the Loretta Memorial Chapel in Loretto, TN on Saturday, March 28 from 10:00-12:00 with the funeral to follow at 12:00. Please keep this family in your prayers in the days and weeks to come.

RESPONSE

Oscar Williams responded Sunday asking for forgiveness and support as he battles the sin in his life. Please lift up Brother Oscar in prayer and encourage him in his walk with the Lord.

NEW ARRIVAL



Congratulations to Craig & Teri Robinson on the birth of a new granddaughter, *Grace Ann Robinson!* Grace was born to Jackson and Gracie on Friday, March 13, weighing 7lb 9oz and was 19 inches long. Welcome to the world, Grace Ann!

Calendar of Events

MARCH

29 – Fifth Sunday schedule w/Potluck Lunch
 29 – Bible Bowl Challenge
 30 – Monday Night for the Master, group 4

YOUTH – APRIL

1 – Lads To Leaders Dress Rehearsal
 3-5 – Lads To Leaders Convention
 17-19 – Spring Youth Retreat
 24 – Senior Graduation Celebration



The Wednesday night meals will resume after Lads to Leaders wraps up. We'll see you on Wednesday, April 8 for the next time of food and fellowship!



This Sunday, March 29, we will follow our 5th Sunday worship & fellowship schedule:

- ⇒ **9:00 Bible Class**
- ⇒ **10:00 Morning Worship**
- ⇒ **11:00 Potluck Lunch**
- ⇒ **12:30 Afternoon Worship**

Carpenter's Apprentice

This morning, for some reason, I recall the funeral and burial of my great-uncle, Clinton Gooch. He was a baker in the United States Navy, and I have in my office his pocket-sized notebook with recipes and notes on how to feed hundreds of men at a time. I remember thinking, as we converged on the cemetery, about the many different directions from whence we approached the common goal of this service at the graveside. Walking past flags, I wondered how many times flags of the United States of America have marked the paths of others as they did ours. For a moment, I thought the flags were for him. Then, I remembered the 4th of July was right around the corner. Still, it seemed appropriate for a man who had, among other things, served his country. He was not a hero in the sense most think of heroes. He did not single handedly charge a hilltop, take out an enemy bunker, save all hands on a sinking ship, or sneak behind enemy lines to free captured comrades. No books were ever written chronicling his superhuman feats, and I never heard him talk about any. But, in truth, he was a hero, for he did what needed to be done when he was called upon to do it. On this day, we came from near and far to “pay our last respects” - to remember, to grieve, to love, and maybe even be thankful. There are many starting places, but all end at the grave. Life ends in death. As the bugler played *Taps*, I was reminded, it's about what you did and how you did it on the journey to this place (the grave), for unless the Lord comes before our journey is completed, this is where we will arrive.

Yet death is not the end of the journey – merely a common stopping point along the way. Many would have us believe there are just as many ways to heaven as there are ways to the grave - but this is not so. Jesus said, “I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the father except through me” (John 14:6). So, while we can get to Jesus from wherever we are, you can only get to the Father through him.

At my uncle's service, a sailor knelt in front of my aunt, presented the flag and said, “On behalf of the President of the United States of America, thank you for your husband's service to this country. May God bless you, your family and your friends.” While he spoke, I thought of the parable of the talents. His master said to him, “Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master” (Matthew 25:23). Life's journey presents us with many challenges and opportunities. God has equipped us to handle them all (1 Corinthians 10:13). What will your master say when you reach your destination?

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