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<div>8:00 AM:</div> <div>Song Leader: Lester de Caires</div> <div>148 I Keep Falling in Love with Him</div> <div>Call to Worship: Steve Jones</div> <div>291 The Great Physician</div> <div>176 Lamb of God</div> <div>Bread: Palmer Young</div> <div>Fruit of the Vine: Zane Huckabey</div> <div>Giving: Jesse Frerot</div> <div>881 Mansion Over the Hilltop</div> <div>Scripture Reading: Numbers 23:13-26</div> <div>Kellen Gibson</div> <div>S-33 Mansion, Robe and Crown</div> <div>Sermon: Ricky Cook</div> <div>912 Burdens are Lifted at Calvary</div> <div>Prayer Requests/Announcements</div> <div>S-44 Firm Foundation</div> <div>Closing Prayer: Jesse Frerot</div> <div>Usher 1: Reggie White</div> <div>Usher 2: LeRoy Bell</div> <div>Projectionist: Kevin Caldwell</div> <div>Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and the Supplement.</div>	<div>10:30 AM:</div> <div>Song Leader: Antoine Johnson</div> <div>— I Sing Praises</div> <div>Call to Worship: Michael Wilkins</div> <div>4 To God Be the Glory</div> <div>226 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing</div> <div>371 And Can It Be That I Should Gain</div> <div>Bread: Neal Wilkins</div> <div>Fruit of the Vine: Gwan Price</div> <div>Giving: Jerry Prestridge</div> <div>396 No Not One</div> <div>Scripture Reading: Numbers 23:13-26</div> <div>Michael Ozomah</div> <div>988 I'll Be List'ning</div> <div>Sermon: Ricky Cook</div> <div>915 Trust and Obey</div> <div>Prayer Requests/Announcements</div> <div>870 Beyond This Land of Parting</div> <div>Closing Prayer: Jerry Prestridge</div> <div>Usher 1: Henry Jenkins</div> <div>Usher 2: Elijah Prestridge</div> <div>Projectionist: Aaron Springer</div> <div>Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and the Supplement</div>	<div>Guest Guide:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Nursery and Training room are upstairs.Children's classes are downstairs.Looking for a church home? We'd love to tell you about this congregation.Please fill out a guest card and give it to one of the ushers.Communion cups are available in the foyer. The cups will be picked up by the ushers after communion. <div>Serving Next Week: September 14th</div> <table><tr><th colspan="2">8:00 Service</th></tr><tr><td>Brother of the Month</td><td>Shaun Holt</td></tr><tr><td>Song Leader</td><td>Kevin Caldwell</td></tr><tr><td>Call To Worship</td><td>Calvin Mitchell</td></tr><tr><td>Bread</td><td>Chris Forand</td></tr><tr><td>Fruit of the Vine</td><td>Alan Sandlin</td></tr><tr><td>Giving</td><td>Lester de Caires</td></tr><tr><td>Scripture Reader</td><td>Reggie Oliver</td></tr><tr><td>Closing Prayer</td><td>Lester de Caires</td></tr><tr><td>Usher 1</td><td>Kevin Hogg</td></tr><tr><td>Usher 2</td><td>Bob Ozomah</td></tr><tr><td>Projectionist</td><td>Byron Vaughan</td></tr><tr><th colspan="2">10:30 Service</th></tr><tr><td>Brother of the Month</td><td>Antoine Johnson</td></tr><tr><td>Song Leader</td><td>Bruce Robins</td></tr><tr><td>Call to Worship</td><td>Allen Pratt</td></tr><tr><td>Bread</td><td>Kevin Nash</td></tr><tr><td>Fruit of the Vine</td><td>Kerry Clark</td></tr><tr><td>Giving</td><td>John Jones</td></tr><tr><td>Scripture Reader</td><td>Antoine Johnson</td></tr><tr><td>Closing Prayer</td><td>John Jones</td></tr><tr><td>Usher 1</td><td>Neal Wilkins</td></tr><tr><td>Usher 2</td><td>John Birus</td></tr><tr><td>Projectionist</td><td>Chuck Morris</td></tr></table>		8:00 Service		Brother of the Month	Shaun Holt	Song Leader	Kevin Caldwell	Call To Worship	Calvin Mitchell	Bread	Chris Forand	Fruit of the Vine	Alan Sandlin	Giving	Lester de Caires	Scripture Reader	Reggie Oliver	Closing Prayer	Lester de Caires	Usher 1	Kevin Hogg	Usher 2	Bob Ozomah	Projectionist	Byron Vaughan	10:30 Service		Brother of the Month	Antoine Johnson	Song Leader	Bruce Robins	Call to Worship	Allen Pratt	Bread	Kevin Nash	Fruit of the Vine	Kerry Clark	Giving	John Jones	Scripture Reader	Antoine Johnson	Closing Prayer	John Jones	Usher 1	Neal Wilkins	Usher 2	John Birus	Projectionist	Chuck Morris
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<div>Sunday Evening Worship</div> <div>Song Leader: Kevin Caldwell</div> <div>Call to Worship: Michael Wilkins</div> <div>Scripture Reader: Bill Roberts</div> <div>Lord's Supper: Jesse Frerot</div> <div>Closing Prayer: Michael Wilkins</div> <div>Projectionist: Antoine Johnson</div>	<div>We would like the men scheduled to serve in the worship service meet in the copier room at 7:45 and 10:15 to prepare for the service.</div> <div>Wednesday, September 10th</div> <div>Song Leader Kevin Nash</div> <div>Devotional Leader Vaughn Harvey</div> <div>Closing Prayer Del Meadows</div>																																																		



September 7, 2025

Sunday:	
Worship: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, Spanish service 12:15 pm Bible Classes: 9:30 am Spanish Bible Classes: 11:00	
Wednesday:	
Bible Classes: 7 pm	
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Joe Ford	Bob Ozomah
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Antoine Johnson	Bruce Robins
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“How” Matters to Him

“that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,” Philippians 2:15

It is not uncommon, nor surprising, to hear someone relate an experience in “customer service” that was less than positive. It seems that there is no shortage of disgruntled workers in our society. What is more alarming is that poor attitude and/or poor performance are not always grounds for dismissal in the secular world.

However, this is not the case in God’s kingdom. If God is to be pleased with us, both our attitudes and our actions must be right in His sight. For this reason the apostle exhorted the Philippian Christians to serve without causing offense. As citizens of God’s kingdom we are also representatives of His name. Our attitudes and actions reflect on our Father (either favorably or adversely). It was for this very reason that the Roman Christians were commanded, Romans 12:17 “Repay no one evil for evil. ***Have regard for good things in the sight of all men.***” (emphasis mine)

When a worker dons a uniform he becomes a representative for the company that owns the uniform. The job done by the worker becomes the company’s reputation. This same principle holds true in the spiritual context. When one obeys the gospel and begins to profess the name of Christ, that one becomes His representative. This being true, it is no wonder that we are called to be “blameless and harmless” and to “shine as lights in the world.” We are to serve without causing offense.

The story is told of a father who welcomed his son into his business. The father gave the son a shirt with the family name embroidered on the back. Pointing to the family name the father told the son, “Remember, that’s my name too.” The meaning is clear. We would do well to remember that as Christians, it is His name we represent. To God be the glory! Amen!

Because He lives,
Ricky Cook