



Revive Us Again

A revival weekend has been set for April 28-29, here at church. Greg Clark, one of our former pastors, will preach. He will bring a guest musician as well. We will also have a focused time of prayer beforehand. Mark your calendar:

40 Days of Prayer to Prepare for Revival, starts March 19

Prayer Meeting in Homes, March 25, Sunday Night

Revival Services, April 28-29, Saturday Night, Sunday Morning + Lunch, then Sunday Night

I look forward to what God will do! Stay tuned for more information.

Aching like Achan

The Israelites lost to Ai because of Achan. He stole forbidden items. Joshua 7:21 tells us Achan saw the loot, desired it, and then took it. His desire for something he didn't have led to discontentment and dissatisfaction. Does your desire for something you don't have lead to discontentment and dissatisfaction? Our joy and contentment are found in Christ alone. May He be our greatest desire.

Your Pastor,

Jason R. McNaughten

Devotional Purity

For class I'm reading the devotional classic *Purity of Heart is to Will One Thing*. In this work, Søren Kierkegaard teaches Christians how to search, find, and confess sin using one main verse: **James 4:8** "Draw near to God and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts you double-minded." Kierkegaard writes that by purifying ourselves, we can draw near to God. This got me thinking, "How do we draw near to God?" "What actions or activities enable this?"

As a child, I thought two things were all I needed, read my Bible and pray every day. It bothered me last week as I asked myself the same question; why couldn't I come up with more ways to grow? So here are my keys to spiritual growth and emotional maturity.

1) Include devotional readings with your daily God time. I usually don't use devotionals, but through this class I learned of dozens of books written throughout history by Christians just like us who struggle to know and grow in the Lord.

2) Pray. The Bible tells us to pray without ceasing. Also, pray with people. Pray with your spouse, your children, your grandchildren, your neighbors...pray with anyone.

3) Listen. Listen to the movement, leading, and direction of the Holy Spirit. Be open to seeing God's fingerprints on your day.

Youth Pastor,

Joshua Peeler



Happy February Birthday

2 nd Ted Davis	13 th Margaret West
4 th Peggy Tidwell	16 th Mary Fontenot
6 th Brandon Chenevert	16 th Kathleen Mounger
6 th Zachary Pourciau	19 th Tom Stuart
8 th Wendy Jumonville	20 th Roger Moore
8 th Cheryl Lee	24 th Tyler Couch
8 th Betty Noland	24 th Joanie Jarreau
9 th Matthew Lee	24 th Karla Weston
11 th Sarah Moore	25 th Edna Feirman



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Sunday Bible Study: 9:15 AM
Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM
Wed. Services: 11:30 AM, 6:00 PM

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- *The Lord's Supper Observance, Sun., Feb. 4*
 - *Business Mtg. & Lunch, Sun., Feb. 4, Noon*
 - *Youth Super Bowl Party, Sun., Feb. 4, 5-7*
 - *Judson Retreat Fish Fry, Tues., Feb. 6*
 - *Nursing Home Ministry, Wed., Feb. 7, 1:15pm*
 - *Wed. Adult/Youth Bible studies @ 6:00pm*
 - *Office Closed Tues., Feb. 13*

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