## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

# Sunday, February 14 **Preston Grover**

Bible Reading Devotional Prayer **Keith Thomas** Song Leader (AM & PM) Paul Gilliland Worship Prayer **Houston Hutto** Lord's Table Ken Nelson **Announcements** Matt Addison Dismissal Prayer Josh Jones

**Sunday Evening** 

Opening Prayer Danny Standridge Dismissal Prayer Chuck Cleghorn Ushers Nathan Lee-Aaron Fletcher

Wednesday, February 17

Song Leader Mark Biles Will Fletcher Closing Prayer Ushers Nathan Lee-Aaron Fletcher Lock Building Larry Little-David Scarbrough

## Sunday, February 21

Bible Reading Roger Thomas Tim Hester Devotional Prayer Song Leader (AM & PM) James Rogers Aaron Fletcher Worship Prayer Lord's Table Paul Rogers Announcements Larry Little Dismissal Prayer **Brent James** 

**Sunday Evening** 

Opening Prayer Jamie Patterson Dismissal Prayer Nathan Lee Ushers Matt Addison-Chris Hood

Wednesday, February 24

Song Leader Sam Scott David Barker Closing Prayer Ushers Matt Addison-Chris Hood Lock Building Larry Little-David Scarbrough

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Phillip Waldrep Men's Class	2	3	4 Glynda Short Megan Pitz	5	6 Judy McCaghren
7 Jane Biles	8 Men's Class	9	10 James Rogers Kasey Oliver	11 Anna Hill Ladies Class	12	13 Chris Sherrill
14	15 Julie Carter Men's Class	16	17 Bradley & Brittany Liles Jennifer Addison William Young	18 Jacob Hutto Ladies Class	19	20
21 Roger Thomas	22 Men's Class	23 Ashley Delashaw	24	25 Ladies Class	26	27 Benton Watson
28 Elders Meeting						

# WELCOME **ELDERS Roger Thomas** 256-566-4081 David Barker

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Brent James

**February 14, 2021** 

**DEACONS** 

Matt Addison Harry James Windell Denney Nathan Lee Aaron Fletcher Jamie Patterson Houston Hutto

### **HOW TO LOVE AS BRETHREN**

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Take your pick. If you want to speak of love, true love, take your pick from scripture. It is absolutely saturated with this theme. This is no surprise, for "God is love" (I John 4:7,8) and the Bible is His book (2 Timothy 3:16,17).

Please take a guick glance at Ephesians 4:1-3. Here, the "how" of love is explained by surrounding phrases.

Note Paul's first statement, "I, therefore, a prisoner of the Lord." True love means one is willing to give up everything for the Lord and his people. "By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers" (I John 3:16). Technically, the Roman government had Paul in prison, but the apostle sees his situation as being "of the Lord." He was there because he preached the gospel. He was there for the Lord.

Paul further says we are to "walk" in the Lord. This is our existence and activity as Christians. We become Christians through faith and baptism (Mark 16:16). In this process, we are buried with Christ and "raised to walk in newness of life" (Rom.6:4). From this point onward, we are to be active in serving our Savior. "Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him" (Col.2:6). True love keeps us so busy that we have no time for trifling things, which distract us from our real purpose of serving and sharing the gospel.

This "walk" is conducted according to "the calling to which you have been called," which is the "high calling" (Phil.3:14) of the gospel (2 Thess.2:14). This high calling is to keep us focused on serving the Lord and becoming more and more like Him. The more we follow the Lord the more loving we become. "And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God" (Eph.5:1-2). Paul goes on to encourage "humility and gentleness," which are obvious characteristics of Jesus. Remember how compassionately and gently the Lord dealt with the lady caught in adultery (John 8).

Then, the apostle commands "patience, bearing with one another in love." Common sense and scripture tell us that every human being is unique and approaches situations from different perspectives (Rom.12:3-8). True love, while holding firm to the doctrine of Christ (2 John 9,10), recognizes these differences and seeks to be patient and forbear with each other. -- David

# Midway Church of Christ

February 7

## Cards & Prayers

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## Remember Our Sick

- Sam Scott hasn't been feeling well.
- Deborah Hall is at home sick.
- Brian Hall, Jerry and Deborah Hall's son, is sick.
- Stacey Hall, daughter in law of Jerry and Deborah Hall, is in Cullman Hospital and is in need of prayers.
- Bill Stuart, neighbor of Sam and Ida Scott, has been in the hospital but is now at home on oxygen and recovering.
- Leon White, friend of Sam Scott, is in the hospital in Arkansas with a brain bleed and other health issues.
- Rayvena Johnson, the wife of Sam Scott's nephew, is doing better and is now in a room. ..Address..4322 Warrington Rd. Flint, MI 48504.

#### **QUESTIONS ABOUT ANGELS**

- How many angels did Jesus say he could call to help him, if he so chose? (Matt.26:52,53) \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- What did the angel tell Peter to do when he came to him in prison? )Acts 12:7,8) \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Which of the following passages do not teach about the creation of angels?
   (Psalm 148:1-5; Nehemiah 9:6; Genesis 1:26,27) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
- Which two angels are named in the Bible, cf. Luke 1:26; Jude 9?
- What happened to angels who sinned? (2 Peter 2:4)
- The angel told John that he was a \_\_\_\_\_ with him, the prophets and all those who keep the words of this book. Rev.22:8,9
- In Hebrews 1:6, angels are commanded to worship
- Hebrews 13:1-2 says some have entertained angels
- According to Hebrews 1:14, angels are ministering \_\_\_\_\_\_ sent forth to do service for the sake of those who shall inherit eternal salvation.
- God's promise is: the angel of the Lord \_\_\_\_\_\_ around those who fear the Lord and delivers them. Psalm 34:7

So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

V Corinthians 13:13

### SPECIAL STUDY BEGINS THIS EVENING

We will be working through a Bible study booklet tonight during services. It is a fill-in-the-blank survey of the Bible which also highlights God's plan of salvation as revealed through the sacred history, the prophets, the life of Christ and the early church. Let's all be back for assembly time tonight at 6.

#### THE SHEPHERD'S PATH

Our elementary age Bible school began their journey through the Bible in 2018. By January of 2020, they had made their way into the life of Christ. What a joy it is for students and teachers to learn so much about our Savior. Currently, the classes are studying Jesus' encounters with Mary, Martha and Lazarus. Next, they will begin a study of the Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Please pray for our Bible classes and bring someone to join in all the learning.

### **BARREL OF LOVE**

Wow, thanks to so many for the wonderful food collection at the end of the hallway. Our local school teachers, Miss Judy and Miss Karen, have identified some families in need. These items will be delivered today.

#### **COLLECTION FOR NACCH**

Don Williams talked with Kay Little and the children's home has a need for Cottonelle toilet tissue and paper towels. Larry and Kay will be working at the children's home in March. Between now and Wednesday night, March 3rd, as you have opportunity, please bring these supplies to the church building and place in closet in the fellowship hall.

Thank you!

## **VBS - UPDATE**

Our Vacation Bible School for 2021 is scheduled for June 13-17. It will, Lord willing, occur on Sunday night through Wednesday night of that week. Our theme is "Focus on the Family" and we will be studying great marriages and families in the Bible. These teachings are sorely needed in our world and it is crucial that our children build their lives on the foundation of God's design for

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

February 26 — Challenge Youth Conference

February 28 — Ministry Group Meetings March 7 — Young men training class

March 7 — Daniel Gaines Tanzania report

April 11 — Friends and Family Day

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