

~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

Sunday 1st Service Welcome/ Announcements Scripture / Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer Prepare Communion	December 24, 9:00 A.M. Alfred Barnes Nathan Bell Russ Baker Randy Harp Willie Green / Farron Whisenant Michael Hollis Larry Richardson Debbie Richards	December 31, 9:00 A.M. Alfred Barnes Greg Harp Even Barnes Randy Harp Willie Green / Farron Whisenant Michael Hollis Donnell Robison Debbie Richards
Sunday 2nd Service Welcome/ Announcements Scripture/ Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer	December 24, 11:30 A.M. Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker Randy Harp Willie Green / Farron Whisenant Alfred Barnes Dylan Madden	December 31, 11:30 A.M. Michael Hollis Greg Harp Randy Harp Randy Harp Willie Green / Farron Whisenant Alfred Barnes Russ Baker
Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM	December 27, 7:00 P.M.	January 3, 7:00 P.M.
Weekly Assembly Schedule 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM - Bible Classes 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM - Worship Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 PM (Some variation may be necessary)		

“ In Christ Be Free In 2023 ”

<u>What Must I Do To Be Saved?</u>		<u>Record of Attendance</u>	
Realize I am lost	Rom. 3:23	<u>12/17/2023</u>	<u>Total</u>
Hear the Gospel	Acts 15:7	Sun. Bible Study	36
Believe the Gospel	Mk. 16:15-16	Sun. 1st Worship	35
Repent of sins	Acts 17:30	Sun. 2nd Worship	31
Confess Christ	Rom. 10:9-10	Wednesday Evening	17
Baptized to remit sins	Acts 2:38	Contribution	\$3251.00
Remain faithful	2 Pet. 1:5-11		



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“The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.” Psalm 119:130

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

1st Worship 9:00 am
Bible Class 10:30 am
2nd Worship 11:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

'Tis the season to be jolly! Being happy is easier this time of year as people are spreading cheer and good will to family, friends and work associates. Even though circumstances can make our lives very difficult, if we really want to be happy, we will be. We may not have the health, money, friends, and love that others have, yet we still can grab a bit of joy in applying a few biblical principles.

- (1) **Count your blessings.** (Phil.4:19) Let others count their troubles.
- (2) **Live one day at a time.** (Matt. 6:33,34) "Inch by inch, anything is a cinch."
- (3) **Learn to say "I love you".** (John 13:34) Follow the greatest example.
- (4) **Learn to be a giver instead of a getter.** You will be blessed. (Acts 20:35)
- (5) **Look for the good in other people.** Practice the golden rule. (Matt.7:12)
- (6) **Do at least one good deed every day.** Leave out no one. (Gal.6:10)
- (7) **Let nothing bother you very much.** Prayer is a great help. (Phil.4:6)
- (8) **Fill your life with good.** Jesus did. (Acts 10:38) So must we.
- (9) **Learn to laugh and cry with others.** (Rom.12:15) It's a mark of maturity.
- (10) **Practice the happiness habit.** (Prov. 23:7) Think happiness; it works!

May this holiday season bring a more meaningful joy to you and to your loved ones, and may the new year ahead challenge us all to look for happiness in the right places and find it in doing the right things.

In Christian love,
Richard & Dixie

Our Prayer List	Activities And Events
<p>Pat Rainwater, friend of Steve Pollard, has cancer and needs our prayers.</p> <p>Harold Williams, is home recovering from hip surgery and having home health care.</p> <p>Nancy Whisenant, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Vera Hannah, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Marilyn Valentine, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Frank Johnson, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Henrietta Jones, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Gainell Green, sister of Willie Green, is at home. She is being taken care of at home.</p> <p>Havanna Goebel, is still experiencing pain. It was great to hear she is doing better.</p> <p>Continued Prayer List—Josiah nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friend Pauline Noel, Don Cheek, Sal & Barbara Joseph, Bernice Harris, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison’s mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes.</p> <p><u>Send Cards, Make Calls, Show your Love and Care!</u></p>	<p>Today- 9:00 A.M. 1st morning service.</p> <p>Today- Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 10:30A.M.</p> <p>Today-11:30 A.M. 2nd service.</p> <p>Wednesday night Bible class— 7:00 P.M.</p> <div data-bbox="680 337 1255 581"> <p>Sympathy and prayers are expressed for Marilyn Valentine in the passing of Myrna McKenzie the mother of Marilyn. The funeral was yesterday. Keep Marilyn and her family in your prayers.</p> <p>Also continue to remember Patrick Brown in the passing of this mother.</p>  </div> <div data-bbox="680 690 1255 982"> <p>Continued Prayer List</p> <p>Ericka Lee, Havanna Goebel joyfully reports her daughter, Ericka, is improving. Her tumors have shrunk. God hears our prayers. Cards can be sent to: Ericka Lee, 1030 E. Ocean Blvd, Unit 601 Long Beach, Ca 90802.</p> <p>Vera Pollard, daughter-in-law of Paul Pollard and niece of Steve, Donna Williams and Robin Wilson. Vera is improving. Keep this family in your prayers.</p> <p>Donald Favor, brother of Havanna Goebel, had a massive heart attack. Prayers are needed.</p> </div>
<p>“ Good example has twice the value of good advice”</p>	<div data-bbox="680 995 1255 1182"> <p>In Search Of The Lord's Way Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM</p> <p>12/31 /23 “A Good Conscience”</p>  </div>
<div data-bbox="518 1206 860 1239"> <p><u>ELDERS’ COMMENTS</u></p> </div> <p>We wish all our members the very best over the holidays and in the coming year. 2023 has been a most difficult for many. Some have lost family members, or close friends, in death. Some have suffered severe pain or sickness, both at home or in the hospital. For various reasons disappointment or discouragement have come to some, while others have had many occasions of joy. Tara has lost members for various reasons, but we have gained others. While some have placed membership, others have obeyed the gospel. Both are reasons for rejoicing. God is blessing our lives, and He is blessing this congregation. Let’s all express our thanks to Him continually and work harder in the coming year.</p>	

A GOOD TIME OF THE YEAR

Though there is much religious tradition, myths, and even paganism, attached to the Christmas holidays and upheld by good, honest and undiscerning people, there is still so much about it that is good. Though no one knows the exact birthday of Jesus, and most all scholars are in agreement that it certainly was not December 25th., we rejoice that He was born into this world for the purpose of becoming our Savior. Though we must not create a man-made religious observance, for which we have no biblical authority (I Pet. 4:11; II John 9), yet, we still can enjoy many of the things associated with the season. This can be a good time of the year...

(1) For speaking the truth in love. (Eph. 4:15) People must be taught the truth about Christmas just like any other religious topic, which may be generally accepted, yet is not recognized in scripture. We should teach our children, and others, when the opportunity presents itself, just as we would do with the subjects of man's origin, the plan of salvation, scriptural worship, or whatever. Having nothing to do with that which everyone else is doing, and talking about, is extreme, and it appears so, and it becomes a hindrance in teaching and influencing others. On the other hand, sending religious cards to friends and family, erecting nativity scenes on the church lawn, or a Christmas tree in the foyer, and singing "Happy birthday" to Jesus are also hindrances to teaching. Mature Christians discern right from wrong. (Heb. 5:14) And this makes it a good time of the year to show that we do.

(2) For expressing our love to one another. (I John 4:17,18) This holiday season, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years, are great opportunities to express warmth and love to one another. There is enough hate, bitterness and selfishness in the world, so while most people are thinking of others, Christians should be taking the lead in this area, and this makes it a good time of the year.

(3) For sharing in the joy of giving to others. (Acts 20:35) It is a period when we think and remember in special ways those who are near and dear to us, as well as a time to break down barriers with gifts and good deeds. It is a time when smiles are brighter and hearts are merrier. It is a time when children of all ages are happier, kinder, and more thoughtful and considerate. This makes it a good time of the year.

Let's be positive, affirmative and constructive about Christmas. Let's be mindful of our Lord every day of the year... of his Divinity, His Love, His Birth, His Life, His Death and Resurrection, and of the eternal hope which we have in Him. Though there are many things about it that we would like to change, it still is a good time of the year.

Richard

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In 2023

Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!