

~~~ **Those Privileged To Serve** ~~~

| Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Service  | March 1, 10:00 AM          | March 8, 10:00 AM          |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Welcome - Announcements</b>  | Michael Hollis             | Randy Harp                 |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b>           | Randy Harp                 | Russ Baker                 |
| <b>Song Leader</b>              | Melvin Griffin             | Melvin Griffin             |
| <b>Preaching</b>                | Alfred Barnes              | Alfred Barnes              |
| <b>Preside Communion *11:00</b> | Dale Findley               | Dale Findley               |
| <b>Serving</b>                  | Jack Denney/William Carter | Jack Denney/William Carter |
| <b>Closing Prayer</b>           | Dylan Madden               | Greg Harp                  |
| <b>Prepare Communion</b>        | Susan Findley              | Susan Findley              |
| Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Service  | March 1, 11:30 AM          | March 8, 11:30 AM          |
| <b>Welcome - Announcements</b>  | Randy Harp                 | Randy Harp                 |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b>           | Randy Harp                 | Randy Harp                 |
| <b>Song Leader</b>              | Russ Baker/Volunteers      | Eugene Sherman             |
| <b>Preaching</b>                | Alfred Barnes              | Michael Hollis             |
| <b>Closing Prayer</b>           | Levi Madden                | Richard Harp               |
| Wednesday Evening               | March 3, 7:00 PM           | March 11, 7:00 PM          |

**In Search of the Lord's Way  
Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM**

- 03/01 - "Things Jesus Will Not Do"
- 03/08 - "Gods Morals Do Not Change"
- 03/15 - "Conversion"



Enter to Worship - Leave to Serve

**What Must I Do To Be Saved?**

|                                |                |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Realize I am lost              | Romans 3:23    |
| Hear the Gospel                | Acts 15:7      |
| Believe the Gospel             | Mark 16:15-16  |
| Repent of sins                 | Acts 17:30     |
| Confess Christ                 | Romans 10:9-10 |
| Baptized for remission of sins | Acts 2:38      |
| Remain faithful                | 2 Peter 1:5-11 |

**Record of Attendance**

**Feb 22, 2026**

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Sunday Bible Study    | 32         |
| Sunday First Worship  | 48         |
| Sunday Second Worship | 33         |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 12         |
| Contribution          | \$2,214.00 |

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"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple" Psalm 119:30

**SUNDAY**

Bible Study 9:00 AM  
1<sup>st</sup> Worship 10:00 AM  
2<sup>nd</sup> Worship 11:30 PM

**WEDNESDAY**

Bible Study 7:00 PM

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**Being a Leader Means . . .**

Leading people to know God through Jesus Christ. We must teach people about Christ by going on mission trips, through Bible correspondence courses, or by having a Bible study with them in our home. Teaching is an important part of leadership.

Equipping members for spiritual service. A true leader helps other Christians grow in their confidence in teaching or participating in worship services. Sharing your knowledge and talents with others helps with your confidence and theirs also.

Assisting members to grow in love, holy living, and fellowship with the church of Christ. All members must be made to feel a part of the congregation. Even the shy are needed for the church to grow. Make all members and visitors feel that they are a part.

Declaring God in spiritual and truthful worship. We must put God before ourselves by attending all the assemblies of the church and by setting the right example for our brothers and sisters in Christ. Half-hearted to absent minded "worship" is not worship at all. Each member is needed as a leader for Christ! Determine today to serve the Lord fully by following the key reminders in the acronym **L-E-A-D!**

*The Love of God in 2026"*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Today** - We have our L.I.G.H.T. Fellowship Meal following the 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship Service in the fellowship hall. Our Menu is Mexican. Come and Enjoy good food and fellowship!!

**Project Outreach** - "The Unity of the Bible" tracts are available on the Security Desk for outreach. There is an abundance of "Spiritual Sword" and many other great tracts available for your taking. Let us work to save the lost!!

**March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>** - On the (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays) at 7:00 PM, will begin new study; The Bible: A Portrait of Redemption. It will be at the home of Henrietta Murphy Jones. Her address is in the Tara Directory.

**March 21** - Every (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday) of the month at 10 AM, the ladies will meet for prayer and good fellowship. This is held at the fellowship hall. See Mitzi for details.

**March** - We will be preparing bags for the homeless quarterly. There is list on the bulletin board, and much is still needed. Bring your donations before the 29<sup>th</sup>. Michael Hollis is overseeing this outreach program.

**MARCH 8<sup>th</sup> - DAYLIGHTS SAVINGS TIME - "OUR CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD"**

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Brenda Goebel** - the mother-in-law of Havanna Goebel had a fall and suffered with severe head injuries. Prayers are requested for her and the family.

**Jack Denney** - asks for prayers as he has upcoming test and biopsies. He will have some skin cancer removed in March.

**Richard, Dixie and Greg Harp** - are all home sick. Remember them in your prayers.

**Henrietta Murphy Jones** - is going to consult with her Doctors to have surgery rather than the 2 rounds of Chemo. Prayers for her are appreciated.

**Rosalyn Curseen** - has to wait for her body to heal with time, before rehab can begin. She needs prayers as well as her husband, **Michael Curseen**. He continues with Infusion Treatments every 3 weeks for the next 2 years. He is doing well with them so far.

**Continued Prayer List:** Bernice Harris, Brenda Millsap, Russ Baker, Vera Hannah, Ted Young, Maggie and Patrick Brown, Keith Fort, Billie Pouncy, Archie Robinson, Jimmy Denney, Christian and Cory Curseen, Anthony Newman, Paul Pacchioli, Havanna Goebel, Marcia Woodbury, Syeve Smith, Jim and Maxine Howell, Vernetta Jones, Don Cheek, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Mary Woodbury, Willie Mae Brown (Carla Robisons mother), Alfred and Lenior Barnes (parents of Alfred Barnes), Erika Lee (Havannas Goebels daughter), Erika Lees father, Ervin Lee, Vera Pollard

### Elders' Comments

The Elders encourage all our members to engage in both casual and indepth study of God's word. The various publications available in the foyer are excellent resources for both. The Spiritual Sword is especially good. The articles are written by men reconized in the church for their soundness, love for the truth and ability to write on difficult topics. We especially recommend the January issue on THE GODHEAD (the blue cover). Take your time reading and studying. Read each article more than once along with the scriptures cited. You will enhance your knowledge of this important topic.

*The Elders*

## From the Pen of Richard

### Warnings About Deception (Part 1)

Have you ever been deceived in the business world, or by someone you consider a friend, or even a brother in Christ? Some have been deceived by their spouse. The world is filled with both with people and with things that deceive.

The scriptures have much to teach us about the danger of deception, and the consequences of being deceived. Though deception often comes from others, we deceive ourselves more than we realize. Actually, we would not become deceived so often from outside sources if we would not allow ourselves to be deceived.

We deceive ourselves if we think we can practice sin and still be saved. *"Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous ... He who sins is of the devil ... (1 John 3:7,8).* The Gnostics, false teachers of that day, taught that one could practice sin with the body and serve God with the spirit. Some Christians were believing this error, even to the point of thinking they had no sin. This was a threat to the church, therefore the apostle John addressed this issue. In Chapter 1:8, he wrote, *"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us."*

Many today believe that same thing. Because we serve a merciful, loving God, some believe that He would never condemn someone to eternal hell because of his sins. So they proceed in their practice of sin, believing that by God's grace they will be saved. Such people are deceived! They need to read carefully this short epistle of 1 John as well as related scripture. Sin is Deceitful. It hardens the heart and causes one to fall away from the living God. (Heb 3:12,13) Paul wrote, *"Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived."* (1 Cor. 6:9)

We deceive ourselves if we think we can sow one thing and reap another. God's universal law that governs our whole life is - we reap what we sow. In the Galatian letter we read, *"Do not be deceived, God is not mocked, for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to the flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life."* (Gal. 6:7,8) In other words, if we think we can sow one thing and reap another, this would infer mockery (insult) to God, that is we would be trying to defy Him, by overriding His universal law of sowing and reaping. Many are so foolish and deceived as to think they can do anything they choose, whether it pleases God or not. This great principle of sowing and reaping applies to the whole life. We would all do well to abide by it instead of deceiving ourselves into believing it does not always apply. Shall we be warned, or shall we ignore the warnings???