

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

June 28, 2015

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Valdy Eichmann
LORD'S TABLE: Mike Brewer
Pete Hines
ASSIST: Patrick Rawls
Wyatt Brewer
Will Ratliff
Ethan Edwards
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Barley
GREETERS: Jim & Martha Bell
Steve & Joanie Hart
CARDS: Jonathan Rawls
Nathan Lovell
VISITOR GIFT/ KATHY PETERSON
HOSTESSES: Beverly Woody
SCRIPTURE READER: Will Drewry
2 Cor. 4:16-18

SUNDAY EVENING

June 28, 2015

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell
OPENING PRAYER: Jackie Horton
LORD'S TABLE: Nathan Woody
Clayton Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Wyatt Brewer

WEDNESDAY EVENING

July 1, 2015

SONG LEADER: R. C. Rawls
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
DEVOTIONAL: Michael Cole
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent

**Please contact Mike Wolff
if you are unable to serve.*

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
EVENING 5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.
BIBLE STUDY/CLASS 6:00 p.m.

Elders:

Gene Blair 501-499-5868 Darren Dent 501-581-3052

Deacons:

Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Del Hines 501-733-4645
(benevolence, pantry, greeters) (finance & technology)
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
(education & teachers) (building & grounds)

Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909
(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

Minister:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999

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AGAINST THE WIND

Hamilton Wright Mabie is credited with having said, "Don't worry about opposition. Remember a kite rises against the wind, not with the wind." If we were somehow given the power to remove all opposition and difficulty from our lives, would that, necessarily, be a good thing for our spiritual well-being? Our natural tendency is to travel the path of least resistance. Following the path of least resistance makes a river crooked and has a similar effect on the development of character.

Jesus never promised freedom from pain or persecution. Quite to the contrary, He said, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me" (Lk. 9:23). The cross Jesus bore was not padded. Neither was it one that could be worn on a chain around the neck. It was a cross of wood—a cross of suffering—a cross of shame. And, when we take up the cross, we take up His cross. There will be opposition; make no mistake about it. Paul stated that "all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted" (2 Tim. 3:12). But, the early Christians looked at suffering for the sake of the gospel in a different light than many do today. After the apostle had been threatened and beaten for the sake of their message, "they went on their way... rejoicing that they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for His name" (Acts 5:41).

Enduring opposition has its reward. Paul wrote that this "light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison" (2 Cor. 4:17). Jesus said, "Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when men cast insults at you, and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely, on account of Me. Rejoice, and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you" (Mt. 5:10-12). Rejoice, because persecution for the sake of righteousness places you in the company of those who have gone on to their eternal reward.

Another benefit of opposition is endurance. James wrote, "Count it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing" (Jas. 1:2-4). A distance runner who trains only downhill with the wind, will lack endurance in a race that is sure to take him uphill against the wind. When difficulties come your way, look to God for help and remember that it is not so much the size of the obstacle, but the direction of our trust that determines victory or defeat.

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUP MEETINGS:

Care group 5 (Hayes)
July 12th
in the fellowship room after
morning services -see signup sheet

Ten Mistakes to Avoid

REMORSE over yesterday's failures.
ANXIETY over today's problems.
WORRY over tomorrow's problems.
WASTE of the moment's opportunity.
PROCRASTINATION with one's
present duty.
RESENTMENT of another's success.
CRITICISM of a neighbor's imperfection
IMPATIENCE with youth's immaturity.
SKEPTICISM of our nation's future.
UNBELIEF in God's providence.

-Bulletin Digest-

OUR RECORD

JUNE 21, 2015

SUNDAY CLASS:	133
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	193
SUNDAY PM:	84
WEDNESDAY (17th):	106
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$6,246

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Our sympathy goes out to the family of Ruby Phillips in her passing. Her funeral was Tuesday in DeQueen.

*Nita Rowell's sister is not doing well at this time.

*Charles Reynolds was admitted to CRMC Tuesday with symptoms of pancreatitis - possibly caused by his gall bladder.

*Steve Harrel has a cyst on his pancreas. He is waiting on doctors to see what needs to be done.

*Patsy Burkett will have back surgery Tuesday at the surgery hospital in Maumelle.

*Jim & Martha Bell's daughter will have back surgery soon.

*Continue to remember those who have lost loved ones over the past couple of weeks: Laurie Henley, Jenni Hayes and their families.

*Joyce Hines will begin radiation treatments soon.

**Please keep the Elliott's son, Jason; Verple Baker's grandson, Brian; Nell Lee's niece, Ava; Phillip Short's friend, Wayne; Glen's brother, James; the Sutterfield's sister-in-law, Patsy; Janet Banks; the Barnett's daughter-in-law, Elizabeth, and Helen Swindle's brother-in-law, Jim in your prayers.*

**Pick up an extended list of those in need of our prayers on the table in the foyer.*

*** Some names from this list have been moved to the extended prayer list.*

VISITOR BAGS

for July 5th

Nita Sadler & Dana Short



PANTRY ITEMS

FOR JUNE:

Canned pasta & soup

Please join us,
Natalie & Justin Vandaveer,
for a celebration of
love, friendship, laughter, and
family at our reception

July 18, 2015 @ 4:00 pm
at Greenbrier
church of the Nazarene

**Please RSVP number
attending to
nataliebwoody@gmail.com

Pick up a yard sign in the
foyer to advertise the
Gospel Crusade



BIRTHDAYS

Curtis Terry	6/28
Kevin Barley	6/29
Wade Mavity	7/01
Tina Leonard	7/01

ANNIVERSARYS

Dave & Janet Rhyne	6/28
Cleon & Marilyn Koone	7/03



Gospel Crusade
July 12th - 17th

Vacation
Bible School
July 26th - 30th

Make plans to attend
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
July 26th - 30th

If you would like to help, ask
Jarrod DeValle to see
where you are needed!

Adult class speakers:

Sunday - Bill Green

Monday - Coy Siddall

Tuesday - Charles Bane

Wednesday - David Heffington

Thursday - Carroll Sites

*** there will be a cookout to
kickstart our VBS at 5pm on
Sunday afternoon, July 26th**

FOOD COMMITTEE for JUNE

Please contact

Gina Ratliff or Dana Short
581-1948 472-4740

