

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

September 6, 2015

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
LORD'S TABLE: Kevin Barley
Michael Cole
ASSIST: Phillip Short
Michael Gilbow
Ratis Yeager
Merrell Story
CLOSING PRAYER: Clayton Dent
GREETERS: Mike & Anna Wolff
Herb Tatum
CARDS: Austin Gilbow
Preston Riela
VISITOR GIFT/ KATHY PETERSON
HOSTESSES: Preston Riela
SCRIPTURE READER: Hunter Smart
2 Peter 1:2-4

SUNDAY EVENING

September 6, 2015

SONG LEADER: Mike Wolff
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Greg Bradford
Nathan Woody
CLOSING PRAYER: Jim Bell

WEDNESDAY EVENING

September 9, 2015

SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Brewer
DEVOTIONAL: Darren Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Eli Leonard

****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.

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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TRUE OBEDIENCE (2)

Beginning with humble trust in the Lord, obedience finds completion in carrying out the commands of God. Where did people ever get the idea that obedience is a "pick and choose" proposition? God does not issue meaningless commands. If it is permissible to ignore one command, then it is permissible to ignore every command. And, if one command must be obeyed, then all must be obeyed. There is no middle ground called "The Land of Pick and Choose."

God has always required that His people follow Him in all that He commands. Moses told the Israelites "to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways..." (Dt. 10:12). Jesus instructed the apostles to teach their converts "to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you" (Mt. 28:20). They were not told to pick out what sounded good to them. In every age, God has expected His people to obey all His commands from the heart.

Whether or not we make that our purpose depends on our attitude toward the Lord. Calling on Jesus as Lord implies that He is our Master and we are His slaves. How much of His will can we set aside and still call Him our Master? Jesus said, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven" (Mt. 7:21). Ignoring part of the Master's will amounts to rebellion and insubordination.

Consider Saul, the first earthly king of Israel. In executing the vengeance of God, he was commanded to utterly destroy the Amalekites (1 Sam. 15:1-3). Saul carried out a semblance of obedience, but spared King Agag and the best of the livestock (vs. 9). He had gained a victory, but he had not utterly destroyed the Amalekites. It is clear that Saul had not obeyed the voice of the Lord because later, when he returned to Gilgal, he joyfully told Samuel, "I have carried out the command of the Lord" (vs. 13). But, saying so does not make it so. What Saul called obedience, the Lord called evil. Samuel reminded Saul of his mission and asked, "Why then did you not obey the voice of the Lord, but rushed upon the spoil and did what was evil in the sight of the Lord? (vs. 19). His partial obedience did not win the approval of the Lord. It was evil in the Lord's sight. Later, in stating that obedience is better than sacrifice, Samuel refers to Saul's action by saying, "rebellion is as the sin of divination, and insubordination is as iniquity and idolatry" (vs. 23). What of our own "pick and choose" generation? It remains a rebellious and insubordinate way of living. Faith produces obedience, an obedience which strives to carry out all of God's will.

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUP MEETINGS:

Care group 2 (Dent)
September 12th
in the Dent's home @ 5pm

Care group 4 (Wolff)
September 14th
in the fellowship room
after morning services

Care group 5 (Hayes)
September 12th
in the Henley's home @ 5pm - bring
your favorite finger food and
a sequence board

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Continue to keep T Swindle's dad, Fred, in your prayers.

*Wayne Hartness has been moved to a hospice care facility.

*A friend of Cleon Koone has requested prayers. Joe Cenneno's granddaughter, Maddison, who is 21 years old, has traveling melanoma. She lives in New Jersey and would appreciate our prayers.

**Please keep Sarah Dixon; Steve Harrel; Susan Ward; the Baker's grandson, Brian; Kathey Peterson's mom, Shirley; the Gossett's son, Bryan; Angie Gordey; Janet Banks; 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.*

PANTRY ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER MAC & CHEESE AND JIFFY MIX

OUR RECORD

AUGUST 30, 2015

SUNDAY CLASS: 156
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 210
SUNDAY PM: 100
WEDNESDAY (2nd): 110

BUDGET: \$5,400
OFFERING: \$6,025
YTD average: \$5,455
YTD ahead/behind: \$1,938

BIRTHDAYS

Greg Bradford	9/6
Gene Baker	9/6
Matthew Dent	9/8
Gary Bradford	9/9
Justin Smart	9/11
Sarah Dixon	9/11

ANNIVERSARYS

Jackie & Lynda Horton	9/5
Sam & Ivana Selby	9/7
Gene & Sandra Blair	9/9

LADIES RETREAT

SHEPHERD OF THE OZARKS
HARRIET, AR

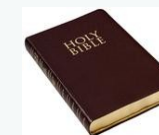
SEPTEMBER 25TH - 27TH

COST \$88 PER PERSON

**SIGN UP SHEET AND
ADDITIONAL INFO
ON THE LADIES TABLE**

MONEY DUE BY SEPT 20TH

Tiffany Hillman came forward
Sunday asking for forgiveness.
Let's encourage Tiffany in her
walk with the Lord.



FISHERS OF MEN

class begins September 15th
in the fellowship room
*See signup sheet on the
bulletin board*

VISITOR BAGS

for September 13th
Nita Sadler & Dana Short



September youth events:

- Sept 12th at 6pm
Harding football game
- Sept 13th at 5pm
Area wide youth fellowship
at Perryville ~ van leaving at 4 pm
- Sept 20th
Monthly youth devo
after evening services in the
home of the Dent's
- September 25-27
Spencer will be here and
is planning activities

Area Wide Fellowship

September 21
at the Plaza on
UACCM Campus

FOOD COMMITTEE for SEPTEMBER

Please contact
Dona Dixon or Love Hines
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