

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

February 11, 2018

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Don Barnett
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell
LORD'S TABLE: Jarrod DeValle
Albert Hall
ASSIST: Tim Blake
Robert Hayes
Randy Gordey
Teddy Lewis
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Blair
GREETERS: Phillip & Dana Short
Patrick & Jennifer Rawls
CARDS: Miguel Montenegro, Jr
Nick DeValle
VISITOR GIFT/ Becky Gossett
HOSTESSES: Linda McInturff
SCRIPTURE READER: Zac Gordey
James 1:21-22

SUNDAY EVENING

February 11, 2018

SONG LEADER: Brian Drewry
OPENING PRAYER: Tom Dryden
LORD'S TABLE: Marty Leonard
Eli Leonard
CLOSING PRAYER: Rod Wilson

WEDNESDAY EVENING

February 14, 2018

SONG LEADER: Don Barnett
OPENING PRAYER: Randy Gordey
DEVOTIONAL: Valdy Eichmann
CLOSING PRAYER: Pete Hines

****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.
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 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
Gary Bradford 501-626-3232 Rod Wilson 501-328-7888

Deacons:

Mike Brewer 501-472-7692
(youth, devos for Wednesday & nursing home)
Michael Cole 815-622-1874
(benevolence/pantry, technology)
Jarrod DeValle 501-470-8710
(education & teachers)
Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
(building & grounds)

Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999

GREENBRIER CHURCH OF CHRIST

12 Wilson Farm Road
Greenbrier, AR 72058

Greenbrier church of Christ

12 Wilson Farm Road
Greenbrier, Arkansas 72058

E-mail: office@gbcofc.com

(501) 679-3647

Web: www.gbcofc.com

February 11, 2018

ADORNING THE DOCTRINE OF GOD (2)

According to Daniel B. Wallace, two-thirds of the world's population were slaves in the days of the Roman Empire. Estimates are as high as two to three million slaves living in Italy in the first century. It is not surprising, then, to read words from the inspired text directed toward those who were slaves. One such text is found in Titus 2:9-10, where Paul writes his fellow worker, saying, "Urge bondslaves to be subject to their own masters in everything, to be well-pleasing, not argumentative, not pilfering, but showing all good faith so that they will adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in every respect."

In a recent article, we mentioned that *adorn* is from *COSMEO*, the word from which we get *cosmetics*. The doctrine of God is adorned (beautified) by Christians who show "all good faith" in following the teaching of God "in every respect." *Adorn* is a secondary meaning of *COSMEO* which is consistently used by translators to convey the meaning of the word in Titus 2:10.

However, the primary and underlying meaning of *COSMEO* is *to put in order* or *to arrange*. This relates more to *cosmos*, a word drawing our attention to the Beginning. The Scripture tells us that "The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep..." (Gen. 1:2-3). The *cosmos* was not, as yet, *adorned*. Essential to creating the beauty of the *cosmos*, as seen in the six days of creation, was putting all things together in an orderly manner. In reading about the Creation in the opening chapters of Genesis, one is struck by both the beauty and order of God's creative design. Throughout the process is repeated the phrase: "it was good" (Gen. 1:10, 12, 18, 21, 25).

Cosmos, as applied to the Creation, may indirectly shed some light on a Christian's adornment of the doctrine of God. Perhaps, the reason why faithful Christian living *adorns* the doctrine of God is that such good faith *puts things in order* and *arranges* our lives after His will. A *well-ordered* life is a *beautiful* life. Even among those who profess faith in Christ, many are living chaotic lives that show little or no resemblance to the *put in order* life of one who is following after the doctrine of God.

It is one thing to invent something on paper; but it is quite another thing to have a working model. In His letter to the Romans, the apostle Paul says, "do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect" (12:2). There is nothing beautiful about being conformed to the world. The world is spiritually ugly and chaotic. But, there is something very special about someone who is adorning the doctrine of God. The well-arranged beauty of such a life shines brightly in this world of darkness, showing the way to Christ and the everlasting joy that accompanies genuine faith in Him (Ph. 2:14-16).

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUPS:

*If you are interested in being in a care group (even if you were in one last year), please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway - if you would like to be a care group leader, **check the box** beside where you sign your name*
The sheet will be taken down this week

**PANTRY ITEMS FOR
FEBRUARY**
 canned pasta &
 ramen noodles

OUR RECORD FEBRUARY 4, 2017

| | |
|-------------------|---------|
| SUNDAY CLASS: | 157 |
| SUNDAY WORSHIP: | 199 |
| SUNDAY PM: | 115 |
| WEDNESDAY (7th): | 104 |
| BUDGET: | \$5,400 |
| OFFERING: | \$5,400 |
| YTD average: | \$5,320 |
| YTD ahead/behind: | -\$399 |

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Our sympathy goes out to Shawn Smart in the passing of his mother, Shirley.
 *The Tatum's caregiver's sister, Violet, is in need of prayers and has asked to be added to our prayer list.
 *Kayleigh Little's dad was in an auto accident and would like our prayers. Kayleigh is a college student who attends our congregation.
 *Peggy Braden is in Dallas staying with her son at this time.
 *Continue to keep Jason Elliott; Herb Tatum's sister, Colleen Byrd; Mike Wolff's mother, Doris; Laura Blake's mother, Barbara McManus; Jim Sutterfield; Verple Baker; Joe Dillard, and Terri Shoemaker in your prayers.

The goal for Missions Day was \$20,000 over budget. So far we are at \$19,441 over our budget
To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.
Philippians 4:20

BIRTHDAYS

Ellis Turney 2/13
 Jackie Horton 2/17

ANNIVERSARYS

BABY SHOWER

*for
 Shelby Ross
 February 18th at 3:30
 in the fellowship room
 She is registered at Target,
 Amazon, and Babies R Us
 Shelby and Dillon are
 having a girl - Carter Grace*



AREA WIDE FELLOWSHIP

February 13 at 5:30
 at Harding Street
 no cost this month

MEN'S POTLUCK BREAKFAST

February 17th at 8am
 in the fellowship room - sign up on the bulletin board and put what you will be bringing beside your name

Area Wide Youth Fellowship

February 11th
 at Liberty
 van will leave at 4:30



Caleb Nowell
 will be here
 February 17th & 18th
 Parents and youth,
 please plan to meet
 at 3:30 in the
 fellowship room on
 Saturday to get to
 know him

Ladies Preparing Communion Trays

February 11th - Cassi Gilbow
 February 18th - Cari Gilmer
 February 25th - Angie Gordey
 March 4th - Aryca Hall

VISITOR BAGS

for February 18th
 Anne Steele & Gina Ratliff



FOOD COMMITTEE for February

Please contact:
 Laura Blake 269-6522
 Donna Allensworth 454-0595

