

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

May 21, 2023

WELCOME: Gene Blair  
SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson  
OPENING PRAYER: Darren Dent  
LORD'S TABLE: Robert Hayes  
Ron McInturff  
Mike Seger  
Marty Leonard  
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent  
GREETERS: Jim Bell & Kevin Blair

### SUNDAY EVENING

May 21, 2023

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones  
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair  
LORD'S TABLE: Mike Seger  
CLOSING PRAYER: Tyler Blair

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

May 24, 2023

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones  
PRAYER: Kevin Blair  
DEVOTIONAL: Rod Wilson

*\*Please contact Jackie Horton,  
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 STUDY 7:00 p.m.

### 1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.

### 2nd Thursday of each month:

PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.

### Elders:

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## The Power of the Gospel to Change Our Lives

The gospel's power to save us from our sins is well-documented. The apostle Paul, in writing to the church at Rome explaining his ardent desire to preach the gospel to them, says, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek" (Rom. 1:16). As powerful as is the gospel's ability to save, it is conditioned on faithful continuance in its teachings. Paul writes the brethren in Corinth, saying, "Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain" (1 Cor. 15:1-2). Make no mistake about it – the gospel's power to save is conditioned on our faithfulness to its teachings.

The gospel also has the power to shape the lives of Christians into conformity with the image of Christ. Please notice that in the aforementioned passage, *the gospel* is used interchangeably with *the word*. The word of God is divinely powerful, not only to save souls, but to transform lives. In Christ, we are not powerless to resist the world's pressure to conform to its likeness. Instead, we can pursue transformation "by the renewing of [our] mind, so that [we] may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect" (Rom. 12:2). As we behold "as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, [we] are...transformed into the same image..." (2 Cor. 3:18). But, again, the gospel's power to change lives is conditioned on our willingness to make the necessary changes revealed therein. James says that we must "prove [ourselves] to be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves" (Jas. 1:22). We will not be blessed by the gospel's power to transform unless we "abide by it" and become "an effectual doer" (vs. 25).

The gospel of Jesus Christ has never been more accessible. We have, at our finger tips, God's power to save and transform our lives. Why, then, is there such a famine of God's word in our land? (Amos 8:11). As long as we are content to give the gospel mere lip service, souls will not be saved and lives will not be transformed. A radically different approach to the gospel is required.

-- Glen Elliott --

# Prayer Requests

\*Please pray for Edith Seger's sister, Ann. She is in a Dallas hospital with heart and kidney issues.  
\*Helen Swindle's niece, Rachel, had foot surgery and needs prayers at this time.  
\*Continue to keep the Jones's friend, Charles; Michael Gilbow's mother, Anita; Jerry and Ruth Garrett; Martha Bell; Donna Beck; the Burkett's great-granddaughter, Addison; Dave & Janet Rhyne; Shelly Carter's friend, Jenna Daughtry; Helen Swindle's nephew Billy; Terrie Shoemaker; Nora Smith; Margaret Adams; Dorothy Yeager also Dorothy's niece, Marcine; and Brenda Dowdy's daughter, Sandy, in your prayers.

## PANTRY ITEMS FOR MAY

Jiffy Mix, Hamburger Helper, and Soup

### Pulpit Preview:



May 21st  
AM -- Jason Jackson: How to Live by Faith in a Hostile World  
PM -- Jason Jackson: Thank God for Salvation  
May 28th  
AM -- The Real Christ Dealing with Social Outcasts  
PM -- SSFAL 6: Be Content



Food Committee  
Leader  
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### BIRTHDAYS:

May 21st - June 3rd

Sue Shumate 5/21  
Glenda Hillard 5/23  
Darlene Langley 5/24  
Stephanie Baker 5/27  
Daniel Martin 5/28  
Sarah Ford 6/01  
Pete DaSilva 6/01

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Bob & Becky Gossett 5/29

### Our Record

#### May 14, 2023

SUNDAY CLASS: 91  
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 124  
SUNDAY PM: 58  
WEDNESDAY (17th): 75  
BUDGET: \$4,500  
OFFERING: \$5,376

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**MAY 21st-24th - GOSPEL MEETING with Jason Jackson—FAITH UNDER FIRE.**  
We will have a potluck after morning services on the 21st. Sunday evening service will begin at 7:00pm as well as Monday– Wednesday services.  
**MAY 28th** - Last Sunday of the month service: we will not have a potluck after morning services but meet back at 1:00pm for our afternoon service. No 5:00pm service.  
**JUNE 6th** - The Senior Adult Ministry class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center. Spencer Cromwell from the Vilonia congregation will be teaching from John Chapter 1. Remember to sign up for the potluck that will follow: write down your name and what you will be bringing.  
**JULY 23rd-25th - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. Mark you calendars now!**

### Spotlight on Missions

There is a new report on the Missions' Board from Brent Green whom we support at the Bible Institute of Missouri.

### Bible Drill Memory Verse:

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding " Proverb 3:5

### BIBLE QUIZ: Revelation 17:1-6

1. "Come, I will show you the \_\_\_ of the great \_\_\_ who sits on many waters..."
2. The angel carried John away in the Spirit into the \_\_\_.
3. "And I saw a \_\_\_ sitting on a scarlet \_\_\_ which was full of names of \_\_\_, having seven heads and ten horns."
4. In what colors was the woman arrayed?
5. The woman was drunk with the \_\_\_ of the saints and the martyrs of Jesus.

Answers from last week: air; heaven, done; three; island, mountains; blasphemed, hail, great