

Happy Birthday!

Tacarra Martin 5-23
Larry Howell 5-25
Linda Jenkins 5-26
Pat Gentry 5-26
Doris Martin 5-27

Happy Anniversary!

Jonathan & Heather Conner 5.20.00
Chris & Elizabeth Mabery 5.22.04

Sunshine Baskets

Pantry Items Needed:

Enroll now in the free Bible Correspondence Course lessons. You will find it refreshing to delve into God’s Word & you will find out some things that surprise you. Give Bill Coe your name & address to get started.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS...

- Today:** Honoring our graduates after morning services.
- Today:** Out of School Bash fellowship after evening services. Please bring side dishes and desserts.
- June 6-10:** VBS here with Union Hill at 7pm nightly.
- June 6-10:** Gospel Meeting at Willette church of Christ with Brant Stubblefield speaking.
- July 18-23:** JSCYC – If you would like a counselor application, please see Rellon. They must be turned in by May 30.
- October 3-6:** Gospel Meeting here with Jeff Archey speaking.
- November 5-7:** Fall Retreat

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To Be Saved, JESUS Said We MUST...
Believe Him (Jn.8:24; Heb.11:6)
Repent of our sins (Lk.13:3, 5)
Confess Christ (Rom.10:9-10)
Be immersed in water for remission of sins
(Mk.16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Rom.6:3-4)

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Schedule of Services

Sunday: Bible Classes @ 9:00 a.m.
Worship @ 10:00 a.m.
Worship @ 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Bible Classes @ 7:00 p.m.

Radio: “The Lord’s Word” on WLIV 920 AM
10:10 a.m. Monday - Saturday
(We broadcast Thursday, Friday, and Saturday)

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“...It Is Not In Man”

by Bill Coe

“O Lord, I know the way of man is not in himself, it is not in man who walks to direct his own steps.” (Jeremiah 10:23)

Brother Hugh Fulford in his article, “The Necessity of Bible Authority”, quoted a lady on a plane flight saying, “I don’t know much about the Bible, but I know what I believe.” But did she really know what she believed or just have a good feeling about it because she believed it.

Everyone likes to feel secure in their beliefs. A sense of complacency or self-satisfaction is comfortable and it’s difficult to change. If complacency rules in a person’s thinking, it would take an extreme occurrence to trigger an action to change. Being comfortable physically or mentally has a great effect on a person’s outlook. Our comfort zones are very important.

Brother J.F. Duncan writes, “nature always provides us with a certain amount of impulsiveness, defensiveness, stubbornness, and intolerance in a variety of other habits we should get rid of.”

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God does not expect perfection but He wants us, as His children, to maintain spiritual growth. 2 Peter 1:5-8 stipulates the controlling of growth when he writes about faith, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, brotherly kindness and love. Peter goes on to say that if these qualities are yours and are increasing, you will be neither useless or unfruitful. It may take a lifetime for some to cultivate and prepare the heart to achieve good standing in the steps Peter mentions.

Faith's foundation, (obedient faith), is the foundation holding up a life that delights in God's commandments. Paul wrote to the church of Christ in Rome that zeal without knowledge is dangerous to the soul. So many today are going about, as Paul wrote, establishing their own righteousness in Romans 10:1-3.

The lady mentioned earlier by Brother Fulford had established in her heart that what she believed was truth, disregarding John 17:17 that says God's word is truth. Scriptural knowledge is most important. Can we see why it is not in a man to direct his steps?

Titus 2:2 says that the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, and charity, and patience. Temperance in things that are simple requires total abstinence (lying, stealing, gambling, drinking, cursing.) We are to practice self-control in the use of our tongues: James 1:26; James 3:12.

Practicing self-control over our temper can be difficult: Proverbs 14:29; Proverbs 16:32; Ephesians 4:26-27. The emotions and desires of a New Testament Christian can be very vital in converting others to Christ. If we as Christians supply the traits mentioned in all the above books and verses, God will supply the reward.

In Revelations 3:10 we find: "Because you have kept my command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth."

"We have no idea what the trial was that is mentioned but in principle the same promise would fit the judgment as the great trial for the whole human race. God will keep those who obey his commands" (Brother John T. Hinds) Can we see and understand why it is not in man to direct his own steps? Help is needed every step of the way.

Area Hospitals & Rehabs:

CRMC: Virginia "Jennie" Carr
CRMC Rehab: Donald Bryant

Sick at Home Asking for Prayers:

Robert Crabtree, Pam Peterson,
Greg Young, Barbara Scott

Our Condolences to the Family of:

Kenneth Davidson

Area Rest Homes & Rehab. Centers:

Bethesda: Grace Sloan

Cedar Hill Senior Living: Jean Haney

Mabry: Lovena (Cricket) Wilson, Fred Heady, Ray Pippin

NHC: Paul Pippin, Connie Ballard

Hillsboro Rehab: Lovia Cowgill

Georgia Rehab: Buddy Flatt

**Those Battling Ongoing Health Issues-
Prayer List:**

Adele Birdwell, Anna Bell Stafford, Barbara Walker, Crystal Scott, Earl Carr dad of Marcia, Earl Crabtree, Glen Thomas, Haylee Mathis Hillary Broome, Jeanie Thomas, Jo Helen Brown, Johnny Stafford, Lela Durham, Lewis Fox, Margie Dyer, Margie Goodwin, Mary Pearl Judd, Moydene Robinson, Olivia Deason, Pam Crespo, Raymond Haney, Rita Dodson, Sandy Haney, Ruby Finnel friend of Romelyn, Sherrie Merwine, Shirley Smith, Steve Hensley, Velma Hix, Wilean Heady her son Terry- Thomas & Geneva Brown, Zander Dixon, Bobbie Jean Dennis, Sherry Arms step-daughter of Barbara Scott

BATTILING CANCER

Anna Lee Burchett, Ben Young, Frances Luck, Kinner Hawkins, Lori Davenport, Maibelle Dyer, Mike Hamlet, Ruby Anderson, Rex Berry, Ricky Strong, Roslyn Stout sister of Ruby, Steve Higginbotham, Villary Campbell, Winnie Craighead

Privileged to Serve May 30, 2021

Ushers	Chris Fox
.....	Roy Young
Announcements	Caden Fox
Song Leader	Titus Anderson
Scripture Reading	Greg Scott
Speaker	John Mabery
Opening Prayer	Tim Mitchell
Closing Prayer	Jacob Martin
Oversee Lord's Supper..	Jeremy Kirby
Prepare Trays	
Scripture Reading.....	Jackson Conner
Serve	Kevin Moss
.....	Bryce Conner
.....	Jim Young
.....	Dakota Burris
.....	Mark Collins
.....	Roy Flatt
Alternate to Serve	Roy Smallwood
.....	Jackson Conner
Dismiss Classes	Donnie Mayberry
Count Contribution	Chris Martin
.....	Rellon Burris
.....	Ronnie Martin
.....	Chick Ransom
Response Card	Jimmy Strong
PowerPoint.....	Mike Martin
Live Stream.....	Blake Maberry
Adult Bible Class.....	John Mabery

Sunday Evening May 30, 2021

Speaker	Mike Martin
Scripture Reading	Randy Duke
Song Leader	Jonathan Conner
Opening Prayer	Brian Trisdale
Closing Prayer	Andrew Burris
PowerPoint.....	Titus Anderson

Wednesday Evening June 2, 2021

Song Leader	Jeremy Kirby
Devotional	Titus Anderson
Opening Prayer	Jonathan Conner
Closing Prayer	Greg Scott
Adult Bible Study.....	Ronald Strong
Powerpoint.....	Ben Gentry

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