



## On the Death and Resurrection of Jesus

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Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.  
AM Worship Svc. 10:00 a.m.  
PM Worship Svc. 5:00 p.m.\*  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
(Attended Nursery at all svcs.)

\*No 5:00 p.m. service on the third Sunday of the month

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Jesus was crucified at the time of the Passover celebration in Israel (Mt. 26:1-2). The Passover was instituted as a reminder to the people of how God delivered them from their Egyptian slavery. Specifically, it was designed to remind them of the tenth plague and God's plan to spare them from it. They put the lamb's blood on the doorposts of their houses so that the Lord would pass over their homes when he killed the firstborn in the land. (See Exodus 12 for a fuller description). Jesus, then, is referred to as a lamb (Jn. 1:29; 1 Pet. 1:19; Rev. 5:6-12) and as our Passover sacrifice (1 Cor. 5:7). Among other blessings, his sacrifice sets us free from our slavery to sin (Rom. 6:1-18).

Even though the Bible does not address this next point, the timing of Jesus' resurrection also seems interesting. He was raised in the spring of the year. We associate spring with new beginnings. Much of our plant life and animal life start afresh every spring. We love to see the trees filling out and the flowers blooming. We love to hear the baby birds chirping. Is it merely coincidence that the resurrection that offers life (1 Cor. 15:20-23) happened in the spring of the year?

Jesus' death sets us free from slavery, much like Israel's Passover did for them. Jesus' resurrection promises life, much like the onset of springtime.

*See you Sunday, with new appreciation for spring...*

*David*

## **Current Search for Additional Elders**

David South

Based on sermons and announcements, we are now in the process of trying to select additional elders. Please keep in mind the information given in Scripture about the work that is involved and the kind of men who are to serve in this capacity (Acts 20:17, 28; 1 Pet. 5:1-3; Heb. 13:7, 17; 1 Tim. 3:1-7; Tit. 1:5-11). Taking our cue from Acts 6:1-6, here is the procedure we will follow: each member of this church is asked to look among ourselves and see if there are any men who fit the biblical description of men who are to serve as elders, overseers, and shepherds. Please write down the names of any men you think fit the need, sign your note, and turn it into the elders. You can either hand it to one of the elders or you can put it into the elders' suggestion box in the foyer. We began this process last Sunday, March 25, and will continue until next Sunday, April 8. Then, the current elders will consider the names suggested and take appropriate action to sort out if any or all are qualified by Scripture to serve as elders. After that process, the remaining names will be presented to the congregation. We will have a short period of time to register with the elders any concerns we have over the men being considered to be appointed as additional elders. Any concerns will be properly considered. When that process is finished, the remaining men will be appointed as elders over this congregation.

Please remember that we want to do our best to follow the biblical pattern for the kind of men we put into this position of service. We are not looking for men who are flawless, but we are looking for men who fit the pattern given by the Holy Spirit. Let us be serious and prayerful about this search. When the men are presented for us to consider, please be open and honest in your reaction to them. You will not be disdained for registering any concerns about the men presented. Your concerns will be seriously considered. Please do not become upset if your concerns end up being dismissed after proper consideration.

For the men who might be included as possible future elders: please be praying about your interest in serving in this capacity. Please be thinking about whether or not you actually fit the biblical pattern. Please understand that if you are appointed as an elder of this church, there is significant work that you will be doing. It will demand your time and your energy and your spiritual strength. This congregation needs you, and you will have opportunity to provide solid spiritual leadership. Please be aware that someone may express concerns over whether or not you are actually fit for the work. Any serious concern will be considered carefully. Please do not become upset if there are objections presented against you serving as an elder. Please do not take offense if it is determined that you are not qualified to serve. Such a determination is not a rejection of you as a person or as a Christian. It is merely our attempt as a church to make sure we are following God's plan for us as closely as we can.

## OUR PRAYER LIST

### Our Woodland Hills Members:

Sue Adams, Clemmie Allison, Don Bennett, Dwain Coleman, Norma Davis, Sharon Estes, John & Jackie Greene, John Knight, Jerry Mathis, Kay Michael, Mary Ann Morrison, Gary Rigney, Ruth Sain, Jada South

### Our Friends/Relatives:

Jim Adams, Phil Adams, David Bartley, Lillie Baker, Lynn Brittain, Jan Burks, Jaime Butrymoicz, Shelby Callahan, Garrett Carroll, Ramona Carter, Byron Coleman, Todd Collier, Gabbi Cook, Colby Cresswell, Van & Dorothy Criswell, Corrine Crowell, Tom Davidson, Sharon Davis, Eleanor Donald, Rose Franklin, Kristy Hearn, Eleanor & Jordan Herron, Dr. Heather Blackburn Irizarry, Bill Joshlin, Molly Kelly, Larry King, Christian Krogh, James Langston, Judy Long, Carol Lynn, David & Wayne McMillan, Sheryl Menz, Barry Mitchell, Sharon Olsen, Arthur Lee Poor, Keith Ricks, Selina Rivieria, Charles South, Ron Waddell, Eli Williams and William Wilson

### In Assisted/Senior Living/Homebound:

Clemmie Allison is at 1730 Dorchester Dr, Southaven, MS 38671, Essie Brown at Germantown Plantation, 9293 Poplar Ave, Germantown, TN 38138, Dwain Coleman, 335 Fisherville Rd, Collierville, TN 38017, John & Jackie Greene, 308 Briarbrook Cv, Collierville 38017 new phone 854-2182, Jane Nolen #205 & Clara Shipman #160 at 7820 Walking-Horse Cr, Germantown, TN 38138, Ruth Sain is at 6539 Knight Arnold Rd, Room 103A, Memphis, TN 38115, phone 365-9095.

## TO APRIL 1, 2018

Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
Welcome & Announcements	Dan Amar
Opening Prayer	John Waddell
Sermon	David South
Communion Preparation	Wilbur & Kathy Betty
Serve Communion:	Tom Adams, Dane Dacus, Houston Dove, Knox Greer, Mark Hillis, Robert Jones, Garrett Pilgrim, Thomas Williams
Pick Up Cards	Eli Thomas & Owen Miller
AM Closing Prayer	James Wilson
Nursery	Renee Brittain

### **Sunday Evening Worship**

PM Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
PM Opening Prayer	David Close
Report on the work in India	Michael Hughes
PM Closing Prayer	Ron Barker
PM Nursery	Carol Spellings



**This is our last reminder about our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Picnic! Saturday, March 31, at 12:00 in the Pavilion (weather permitting if not it will be in the gym). Hopefully you will receive this bulletin prior to Sunday! Fried chicken will be provided but we ask you to bring desserts and sides. We would appreciate your help in providing candy filled eggs and place them in the shopping cart in the lobby.**

## BRIDAL SHOWER PLANNED



A bridal shower is planned for **Jessica Smith**, the bride-elect of **Jonathan Pilgrim**, on April 22<sup>nd</sup> here at the building between the hours of 2 – 4. She is registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond and on Amazon. If you would like to help with this shower, please call the church office.

## FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY COMING SOON!

April 15<sup>th</sup> will be our next Friends and Family Day. Begin inviting your friends and family now to join us in worship on that day!

## FAMILY RETREAT

We have scheduled a date for our yearly Family Retreat. This year the dates are July 20 – 22 and we will be traveling to the Great Smokey Mountains. If you would like more details including cost of trip, please see Matt Mitchell. More information will be printed as details are available.

## WEDNESDAY DINNERS

We are having some wonderful meals and great fellowship on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm. If you have not yet taken advantage of this special time together, why not give it a try. I think you will enjoy. Please sign the back of your attendance card and let us know how many in your family will be attending. The cost of the meal is \$6.00 and it is truly a bargain!

## YOUTH CORNER

Thomas Williams

Hello everybody! Once again, I hope that it has been a blessed week. This past week, the youth group was able to serve a member of our congregation by helping her with her yard work. I love when we get the opportunity to serve our own members. We not only get to be a blessing to them, but we also get the chance to visit and fellowship with a fellow brother or sister that we may not have had before.

I believe that building relationships between the younger and older members of our congregation is one of the best ways to strengthen the faith of both groups. We love our YAC (youth activity center) where we have classes and games, but we also love to interact with the church as a whole. When we get to serve those older than us, we get an opportunity to build inter-generational relationships. An opportunity that, understandably, can fall by the wayside without being deliberate about it.

In the future, I am planning some events that I hope will help with the goal of inter-generational relationships. I'm excited about them! This week I encourage you, if you get the opportunity, to take time to talk to our young people. They are a really great group of kids and I am certain you will bless them. I know I am blessed by you all! Have a great week!

## VBS 2018

Vacation Bible School seems a long way off, but it is just around the corner. Start making your plans to attend and bring lots of folks with you this year! Our dates for VBS this year are June 10-13 and workday is June 2<sup>nd</sup>. We can always use lots of help, so please see Robbie Seward, Matt Mitchell or Renee Barrios to secure your special spot. A new theme is planned for this year's VBS and it will be great!

## SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Jim Woodruff, who passed from this life recently. Many of the Union Avenue members will remember Jim and this fine family.

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### HOW TO WORSHIP

*Be silent*

*Be thoughtful*

*Be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord*

*Before the service, speak to God*

*During the service, let God speak to you*

*After the service, speak to one another.*

*Unknown*

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