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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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Being Thankful

“Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it” (William Arthur Ward).

We might expand Ward's sentiment. Expressing gratitude and not feeling it is like giving an empty box all wrapped up like something was in it.

When Paul warned Timothy of the difficult times that were coming (2 Tim. 3:1-5), he listed some of the behaviors that would characterize those times. Some of the expected items show up in that list: selfishness, greed, arrogance, abuse, slander, brutality, and conceit. Perhaps there is an unexpected item, however. Being ungrateful shows up in that list. We do not typically put ungrateful alongside abusive or brutal. We learn, then, that being ungrateful is a serious character issue.

Christians learn to be thankful (Eph. 5:4, 20; Col. 3:15-17; 1 Th. 5:18; etc.). It is not just about *saying* thanks, it is about *being* thankful. Notice when others do something for you. Refuse to be so wrapped up in yourself that you fail to notice the goodness of others. Then, make sure to express that thanks. But, do not say thanks unless you mean it. Empty words are useless words.

See you Sunday, being thankful...

David

Outline of Judges

David South

The book of Judges is sometimes referred to as the “Dark Ages of Israel.” This is because the story is mostly about the Israelites rebelling against God’s instructions. They repeatedly fell into idolatry and disobedience. The key thought is stated twice (17:6; 21:25): “Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.” Seven cycles of four stages are described in the book: the people sinned; they were subjugated to a neighboring nation; they made supplication to God for help; they were saved by a “judge” chosen by God.

- I. Survey of Judges (1-2)
 - A. They did not drive out the inhabitants, as ordered by God (1:26-36)
 - B. They did not abolish idolatry, as ordered by God (2:1-3)
 - C. Summary of the book (2:11-19)
- II. Rule of the Judges (3-16)
 - A. Othniel (3:4-11)
 - B. Ehud (3:12-20)
 - C. Shamgar (3:31)
 - C. Deborah (4:1-5:31)
 - D. Gideon (6-8)
 - E. Story of Abimelech who was not a judge (9)
 - F. Tola (10:1-2)
 - G. Jair (10:3-5)
 - H. Jephthah (11:1-12:7)
 - I. Ibzan (12:8-10)
 - J. Elon (12:11-12)
 - K. Abdon (12:13-15)
 - L. Samson (13-16)
- III. Downfall of the People (17-21)
 - A. Decline into idolatry (17-18)
 - 1. Micah and the Levites (17)
 - 2. Danites and idolatry (18)
 - B. Debasement into immorality (19-21)
 - 1. A Levite and his concubine (19)
 - 2. Israel’s war with the tribe of Benjamin (20)
 - 3. Wives for the tribe of Benjamin (21)

OUR PRAYER LIST

Our Woodland Hills Members: Stan Adams, Clemmie Allison, Dwain Coleman, Norma Davis, Sharon Estes, John & Jackie Greene, Rebecca Karr, Bill Lewelling, Elaine Martin, Raymond McClendon, Jerry Mathis, Judy Milligan, Mary Ann Morrison, Bill Powers

Our Friends/Relatives: Jim Adams, Lillie Baker, David Bartley, LaVerne Baxter, Jan Burks, Shelby Callahan, Garrett Carroll, Ramona Carter, Dan Clemenz, Byron Coleman, Todd Collier, Gabbi Cook, Colby Cresswell, Corrine Crowell, Brittney Dailey, Sharon Davis, Eleanor Donald, David Dudek, Roy Ghormley, Delbert Haggar, Kristy Hearn, Eleanor & Jordan Herron, Chris Houston, Dr. Heather Blackburn Irizarry, Natasha Jones, Bill Joshlin, Molly Kelly, Christian Krogh, James Langston, Carol Lynn, David & Wayne McMillan, Sheryl Menz, Sharon Olsen, Billy Joe & Brenda Powers, Keith Ricks, Carol Rimmer, Selina Rivieria, Bill Simmons, Cindy Soenkson, Charles South, Larry Wilkinson, Connie Waddell, Ron Waddell 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, Mary Ann Morrison, 10083 Cross Valley Drive, Cordova 38018, Jane Nolen #205 & Clara Shipman #160 at 7820 Walking-Horse Cr., Germantown, TN 38138, Ruth Sain is at Carriage Court of Memphis, 1645 W. Massey Road, Apt. #314, Memphis, TN 38120, phone 365-9095.

April 21, 2019

Song Leader	Dennis Sangster
Welcome & Announcements	Larry Knox
Opening Prayer	Dick Holt
Scripture Reading	Steve Grantham
Sermon	David South
Communion Preparation:	Wilbur & Kathy Betty
Serving Communion:	Tom Adams Ron Barker, Charlie Bryson, Knox Greer, Mark Hillis, Ryan Hubbert, Jacob Maynard, Garrett Pilgrim
Pick Up Cards	Chase Dacus & Spencer Dacus
AM Closing Prayer	Keith Williams
Nursery	Lisa & Erin Greer

***No 5 O'Clock Evening Service
or Afternoon Devotional Today***

BAPTISM

We rejoice with Ambar Davis, of 1070 Woodland Ridge Drive, Cordova, TN 38018, as she put on Christ this past Sunday. She was baptized by David South following our morning worship. Her family includes her spouse, Maurice and 13 year old son, Tyler. Her phone number is 615-337-8733, Welcome Ambar and family.

Joseph Yarbrough, of 1086 Peabody, Memphis, came forward on Sunday evening. Bro. South plans to meet and get to know him better.



FAMILY RETREAT



The Family Retreat this year will be July 12 – 14th. We will make the trip to Williamstown, KY to see the replica of the Ark that has been built. Adults are \$75 and children 3 – 17 are \$50; however, the maximum cost is \$175 per nuclear family. This covers admission, hotel (free breakfast), t-shirt and transportation. You will be responsible for paying for all meals which will be on the road, near the hotel or in the Ark itself. We will spend Friday traveling and spend the night in a hotel in the Lexington area and then will travel and see the ark on Saturday. We will worship with a local congregation on Sunday or hold a worship service among ourselves on Sunday and then travel back to Cordova.

Information and sign-up sheets are in the foyer. If you have questions concerning the trip, be sure to see Matt Mitchell or you can visit arkencounter.com.

**Please sign the
back of your
attendance card
the number in
your family
attending the
dinner this week!**



SUNDAY PM LESSON SERIES



Last Sunday evening we began a study on Apologetics. These lessons will be taught by David South, Matt Mitchell and Thomas Williams. Each one will take several lessons to present in a class format, similar to our Holy Spirit study on the second and fourth Sundays of the month when possible.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to the Dacus family in the death of Cami Dacus, daughter of Jamie Dacus, granddaughter of Vicki Dacus and great granddaughter of Jeffie Dacus. No arrangements at time of writing.

Our sympathy to the family of Gordon Parmenter, the elder who was killed during church services at the Salmon Arm Church of Christ in British Columbia last Sunday. The gunman was someone he knew with an assault-style rifle. Mr. Parmenter was an uncle to the daughter-in-law of Mike & Renee Barrios.

YOUTH CORNER

Thomas Williams

Hello to you all! Once again, I hope you are doing well. This last Sunday, when I asked for prayer requests, a number of teens had one thing on their minds: Tests. As the end of the semester draws near, there are standardized tests, and final exams, and all sorts of tests all on the horizon. Since this was the main thing on their minds this week, I thought I would bring their prayer requests to you all, and give you a chance to say a prayer for our young people and their academic examinations.

It also made me reflect on the idea of testing. Of being held accountable of the information you have been given. As a Christian, it is difficult for me to think of such a concept without thinking of the ultimate moment of accountability: Judgment Day. The grade we receive on this day has no middle ground. It is either pass or fail, sheep or goat. The stakes are higher than any other inspection: Eternity. And the thing that gives you a failing grade is simply Sin, which every single one of us has committed repeatedly.

I don't know about you, but that sounds extremely frightening! What a blessing it is, because of Christ, to not have to be afraid of that day. When we put Christ on in baptism, and take up our cross daily, then we know what our final grade will be. Not the failing one we deserve, but the passing-with-flying-colors grade earned by Jesus Christ. Let us rejoice in that confidence this week, and live out the lives we are saved for. Have a blessed week!



Our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Picnic is Saturday "April 20th." Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. Please bring sides and desserts. Following our picnic will have our annual egg hunt for all ages. If you have not already brought your individually wrapped candy filled eggs, bring them with you and come on and enjoy the fun! Picnic starts at 11:00 in our pavilion.