

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of March 31, 2019

Bible Class	46
Morning Assembly	83
Evening Assembly	46
Wednesday Bible Class	38
Contribution	\$3610.00
Budget	1871.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = BAPTISM AGAIN?
(Acts 19:1-7)

P.M. = WHY DESIRE THE MILK OF THE WORD?
(1 Peter 2:1-3)

SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

A.M. = UNDERSTANDING WORSHIP
(John 4:24)

P.M. = IF MY WORDS ABIDE IN YOU
(John 15:7)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE DEVOTIONAL

April 10th – Tyrone Powers

April 17th – Russell Dukes Sr.

Welcome Visitors

We want to personally thank you for joining us today. It is our prayer you leave our worship service with an uplifted spirit. Below is what you can expect during our services.

SINGING: Non-instrumental singing plays a great part of our worship services. We hope that you will find this to be an uplifting praise to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19)

LORD'S SUPPER: Each Sunday we observe the Lord's Supper, which reflects on the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and the hope of everlasting life we now can live through Him. (1 Cor. 11:23-26)

CONTRIBUTION: During the service, we as members are given the opportunity to give a portion of what God has given us. This money is used to support the church and to help spread God's Word. (1 Cor. 16:2)

Schedule of Services

Sunday:
Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
Assembly 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Class: (Sept-May)
Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

Preacher Gerald Bennett
Song Leader Tommy Bennett
Elders Gerald Bennett, Jamie Cobb
Deacons Dave Donohoe, Russell Dukes Jr.



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WHY BE BAPTIZED?

There are several reasons why people in the religious world are baptized. Early in my married life Judy and I decided that we were going to straighten our lives out and get right with God. She had been raised going to the Baptist Church. I had been raised by Christian parents who were members of the church of Christ. I was baptized into Christ at 17 years of age. But I had become a prodigal son of God. We decided that we would go to her church one Sunday and my church the next Sunday. And we did. Very shortly after we began to do this, on a Sunday morning a young girl answered the invitation desiring to be saved. The preacher asked her if she believed that God for Christ's sake had forgiven her sins and she said yes. The man then asked the church if anyone could forbid her from being baptized and no one did. The announcement was then made that she would be baptized in two weeks.

What I want to ask you is, do you see the logic of what this account means? What it means is that they were teaching that baptism has nothing to do with remission of sins. They were teaching and being taught that God had forgiven sins before she was baptized.

So what do we do with the scriptures? What do we do with the truth that the scriptures are given by inspiration of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17)?

Acts 2:38 plainly states, "Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Acts 22:16 reveals "And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name."

Any person or church that teaches people that baptism has nothing to do with salvation, that baptism is not for the remission of sins is not a person or church that belongs to Jesus Christ. Remember Peter tells us, "...baptism now saves you...." We need to know and teach this!!!

THINK ABOUT IT!!!

GERALD



PRAYER LIST

“Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Hebrews 4:16



JANET BARNWELL is at home, she can have, please call first.

IRA GOODE recovering from the flu.

JANE MOODY is having health problems.

JANIE ROCKETT is taking therapy to help eliminate the pain in her legs.

MICHAEL & ANDREA RUCKER are still dealing with health issues.

TERRY PEAVLER has lung cancer, he is taking chemo treatments.

REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS

CELIA MOSLEY requested our prayers due to back pain and healing of her neck.

DARION “DJ” WILEY, Faith and Lawrence Clemons grandson is recovering from successful surgery to remove a tumor on his brain. Thankful for your prayers.

VINCENT DAVIS, brother of Ruth Power is having seizures.

STEPHANIE WINFREY requested prayers for the Alexander family, and her family members.



To the family and friends of Sharon Brock at her recent passing. She was a long time friend and mentor of Lydia Walden.

To Jack Evans and his family at the death of a family member.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

MADLYN ROSE COBB arrived Wednesday weighing 5 pounds, she is the great granddaughter of Linda Cobb.

DORIS PEAVLER’S great granddaughter, Riley Nacol (Roxie’s granddaughter) won Showmanship “4H” at Montgomery County Fair.

MARISSA BENNETT and her choir at MacArthur High School won the Sweepstakes trophy at UIL.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN APRIL

Wanda Edwards on the 9th.



**FAMILY, FUN, FOOD
FRIDAY NIGHT APRIL 26TH 7:00P.M.
MENU: POT LUCK.**



A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who attended, provided Dessert(s), help to set up, clean up, etc. at our Quarterly Singing March 30th.



A PRAYER LIST is on the table in the foyer. Please keep us updated as to those you have asked us to pray for.



ROMANS 6:3-7

Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin.

GERALD’S GLEANINGS

It was a good Sunday at 249 this week.

We had visitors at both assemblies on Sunday. One family from Georgia was with us both times. The man led a couple of songs Sunday evening. When they come to Houston, they visit with us. It is good to know that people want to come back to assemble with us when they are in town.

Our attendance has been down for two or three weeks. I’m not sure why. But I do want to encourage you to look around and see who is not here and let them know hat they are missed.

We continue to study the book of Joshua on Wednesday nights and as I said this last week I kind of messed up on the questions for the lessons. This coming Wednesday night the lesson sheet has lesson 7 on it and we are studying chapters 7 and 8. I look forward to these studies and I hope you do also.

Also, I want you to see that I changed the sermon for Sunday morning. The title for the sermon is “Baptized Again?” and notice that it is a question.

I have not been feeling good for a couple of days this week. Not that I am sick, sick; but just weak and not much energy. I do covet your prayers. Thank you.

Someone reminded me that I have not told you how much I love you lately, so....

I love you!

Gerald