

## PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of August 18, 2019

Bible Class	45
Morning Assembly	84
Evening Assembly	41
Wednesday Bible Class	40
Contribution	\$1870.00
Budget	1978.00



### SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

**A.M. = THE DEEP FALL INTO SIN**  
(Romans 1:18-32)

**P.M. = LESSONS FROM DANIEL**  
(Daniel 1:6)

### SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

**A.M. = WHY ARE PEOPLE LOST?**  
(Romans 3:21)

**P.M. = LET US SHOW GRATITUDE**  
(Hebrews 12:28)

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE DEVOTIONAL**

**August 28<sup>th</sup> - Gerald Bennett**

**September 4<sup>th</sup> - James Bennett**

## 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. (I 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. (I 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.
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**Wednesday Bible Class** 7:00 p.m.

<b>Preacher</b>	Gerald Bennett
<b>Song Leader</b>	Tommy Bennett
<b>Elders</b>	Gerald Bennett, Jamie Cobb



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**August 25, 2019**

### **STRIVING AGAINST SIN!**

“You have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood in your striving against sin;...” (Hebrews 12:4).

What does that mean, “striving against sin”? Remember we must leave the meaning of the verse to the context. So let's look at the verses just preceding this one,

“Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart” (Hebrews 12:1-3).

After giving us the examples and illustrations of faith in chapter 11, He turns to Jesus as the greatest example of all. He is called the author and perfecter of faith. And because He lived a life of exemplary faith in God, He was nailed to the cross. And notice the exhortation to use Jesus as our example in verse 3. Because of His unfailing faith in God He lived the life that led Him to have to endure “the hostility by sinners against Himself.

And then notice the accusation in verse 4. I believe that He is saying that you have not lived the life of faith in God that would cause sinners to be hostile toward you. As I have said before, the older preachers would say, “We have not resisted to the point of inconvenience in our striving against sin. He started the section by saying, “But we are not of those who shrink back to destruction, but of those who have faith to the preserving of the soul” (Hebrews 10:37).

Faith will cause us to live godly and face the hostility as did all the faithful of chapter 11 and of course Jesus in chapter 12:1-3.

**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 now at home following a procedure last week.

**LAWRENCE CLEMONS** is having problems with his back.

**JERRY JEFFERSON** is in room 315 at Encompass Health at The Vintage for rehab. His physical therapy is mornings and afternoons. your prayers are and have been greatly appreciated. By the time you read this he may have been released to go home.

**BOBBIE WICKER** was given antibiotics last week and her procedure will be in September.

**Doug & Linda Allee, Cynthia Cain, Dale Cates, Debbie Goode, Pearlene Jerome, Jane Moody, Ben Moon, Carolyn Moon, Terry Peavler, Janie Rockett, Dixie & Howard Roden, Andrea & Michael Rucker, Maria & Sam Rush, Aaron Walden.**

### OUR PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR:

**Owen Cobb** great-grandson of Linda. **Jerome Collins** lung cancer. **Emleigh Marsh** (Barbara’s granddaughter) is having test. **Tammie Miles** is recovering at home. **Clifton Redmond** will have kidney stones crushed soon. **Leroy Toliver** had injections for a spot on his stomach. **Darion “DJ”**

**Wiley**, grandson of Faith and Lawrence Clemons has stage 4 brain cancer, has just completed another series of treatment, he was in our assembly Sunday. Please continue to pray fervently for him and for the family.

**CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: Mayra Barrera & family** (friends of Sam & Maria Rush, are in London seeking asylum after death threats against their whole family in El Salvador), **Kathy Pena Kent** (friend of Aaron Walden – Stage 4 cancer. **Genell Stuteville** (Gerald’s aunt, has Follicular Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma). **Gene Womack** (COPD) and **Stephanie Winfrey’s** (family).

**Many of our members are suffering due to allergies and various other illnesses.**



**SUNDAY AFTERNOON LADIES CLASS – August 25<sup>th</sup> – 4:45 - Taught by Sherlyn Gonzalez**

**TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS will resume September 10<sup>th</sup>**



**SUNNY GLEN CHILDREN’S HOME GROCERY TRUCK – SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>**

#### Requested Items

**Liquid Dish Soap and Deodorant**



#### THE FOSTERS IN INDIA

**Dale Foster** and his daughter **Melissa Ledoux** are on a Mission trip to India, please pray for them and the work in India.



*Our Sympathy is extended to Rita Hebert and her family at the death of her brother Wednesday afternoon. She requested our prayers for her family.*



#### In September

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2<sup>nd</sup> – Howard & Dixie Roden

5<sup>th</sup> – Ira & Debbie Goode

14<sup>th</sup> – Ed & Janet Barnwell

15<sup>th</sup> – Jamie & Shannon Cobb

16<sup>th</sup> – Robert & Peggy Aguirre

#### HAPPY

#### SEPTEMBER

#### BIRTHDAY



6<sup>TH</sup> – Curtis Williams; 8<sup>th</sup> – Ja Meka Barnwell; 10<sup>th</sup> – Bill Murry; 11<sup>th</sup> – A’saun King, Gary Kittle, Leah Murry; 12<sup>th</sup> – Neida Donohoe, Mary Smith; 14<sup>th</sup> – Clarence Love, Jr.; 15<sup>th</sup> – Tammie Dukes; 18<sup>th</sup> – Azalee Berry; 19<sup>th</sup> – Gerdalin Buchanan, Karla Rodriguez; 20<sup>th</sup> – Claudia Gonzalez; 21<sup>st</sup> – James Bennett; 22<sup>nd</sup> – Leroy Flowers, Isabella Moore; 25<sup>th</sup> – Hector Gonzalez; 27<sup>th</sup> – Robert Aguirre; 29<sup>th</sup> – Russell Dukes, Jr.; 30<sup>th</sup> – Aaliah Harold.

#### DIRECTORY UP-DATE

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## GERALD’S GLEANINGS

Last Sunday was a good day around 249.

We are very grateful to have had several visitors in our assembly.

Well, school has started back after the summer break and we want to keep all the children, teachers, supervisors, aids, bus-drivers etcetera in our daily prayers.

Our Wednesday night summer series came to an end this past Wednesday night, one week ahead of schedule. Our brother John Whitley was our speaker. I have known and loved John for a lot of years. I know I’m not the only one. He did an outstanding job encouraging us to “yield not to temptation”. And he exhorted us to stay faithful and do the job that the Lord has called us to do. He blessed us.

Paul Jones has been dealing with health issues for the past several weeks. He is having or just has had a surgical procedure done. So he has had to back out of being with us this next Wednesday night. Please add Paul to your prayer list. Paul is another one of those brethren with which I have been very close for a lot of years.

We finished the book of Joshua just before the summer break, so we are going to go to the book of Judges. I hope to have a brief review and transition from Joshua to Judges as the Bible does. The book of Judges is a continuation of the history revealed to us in the book of Joshua. Questions are available in the rack in the foyer.

I love you!

Gerald