

**BIBLE TRIVIA**

- 1.) What does Immanuel mean?
- 2.) What reason did the Wise men give for coming in search for baby Jesus?
- 3.) Where did Mary place Jesus to rest after his birth?
- 4.) What prophet predicted the birth of Jesus?
- 5.) How many days after the birth of Christ did Mary and Joseph give him the name Jesus?

**SERMONS FOR SUNDAY**



**A.M. Jamie Cobb**  
**“The Gift”**  
(Acts 2:38)

**P.M. Jamie Cobb**  
**“Grace of God”**  
(Romans 5:15)

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE  
DEVOTIONAL**

**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.  
 Sunday Morning    10:00 a.m.  
 Sunday Evening     5:00 p.m.

**Wednesday:**  
 Wednesday Night   7:00 p.m.



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**Candy canes to talk about Jesus**

Candy canes were invented in the late 1600s, 1670 to be exact. They started out as sugar sticks. The man who invented them was a choir master. The reason? To keep his young singers quiet during a long ceremony. In honor of the occasion, he had the candy bent into shepherd’s crooks. So, what exactly do Candy canes have to do with Jesus?

It wasn’t until the turn-of-the-century that the stripes and peppermint were added. A candy maker from Indiana had an idea. He wanted to make a candy that could be a reminder of Jesus Christ. He began with a stick of pure white hard candy, the red-and-white stripes represented Christ's blood and purity. The three red stripes were also said to symbolize God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. The hardness of the candy represented the Church's foundation on solid rock. The shape flipped upside down is a "J" to represent the precious name of Jesus.

So how did the candy cane maker use his candy cane to tell others about the Bible and our Lord Jesus?

He told people why he made it white. God washes our sins away and makes us white as snow when we trust in Jesus as our Savior. Isaiah 1:18: "Come now, let us reason together," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool."

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## Pray for our Family

Terry Peavler will continue chemo treatment.

Lydia Walden is asking for prayers for her family, they are going through it.

Cynthia & Ched-zy (Stephanie's Mother & aunt) please keep both of them in prayer for upcoming surgeries and procedures.

Desita Family (friends of the Cobb's) the baby has a double ear infection and RSV in his lungs & chest. Please keep the DeSita's in prayer as they the whole family is under the weather.

Linda Allee is not feeling well she went to the Dr Friday for blood work, pray that her blood work comes back good and she feels better.

Martin & Johnson family (friends of the Cobb's) their son Gregg passed away suddenly, and his wife Pat had surgery to remove a mass on the colon and her appendix, she is awaiting test results please keep the family in prayer and pray for good test results.

Donald Jones is in need of prayers for the Drs to find out why his white blood cells are higher than they are supposed to be.

Cedric Rucker (Michael BRO) has been diagnosed with cancer.

Debbie White daughter in law Aubrin's is improving but health is still fragile.

Sherry Phillips pray for good results from her MRI on kidney in February.

Kevin Moore's father Larry Moore will have open heart surgery January 18. Prayers for a successful surgery and recovery.

**We have a number of our members that are under the weather and traveling please keep them prayer that they get well and be safe.**

Please remember: Andrescia Frank, Kevin Moore, Curtis Williams, Gov. Clements, Mis. Easley, Queen Daily, Donald Jones, Chloe Phillips, Erin LeDoux (COBB), Krystal Spearman, Joe Silva, Queen Daily, Cliff Redmond, Sandra Collins, Ira Goode, Sandra Frasier, Tywana Williams, Karen Gentry, Yvonne Warner, Pattie Yazell, Andrea Rucker, Jackie Crawford, Michael Howsley, Lydia Walden, Emileigh Marsh, Linda Allee, Susan Wyche, Mark Florez, Linda Carpenter, Russel Dukes Jr, Scott Warren and ALL of the first responders and police.

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*

John 14:27



## Sunday morning class study (1 Timothy Chapter 1-11)

### Bible Trivia Answers

- 1.) Matthew 2:23
- 2.) Matthew 2:1-2
- 3.) Luke 2:7
- 4.) Isaiah 7:14
- 5.) Luke 2:21

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The red. A picture of the blood Jesus Christ shed for each of us; the red stripes depict the stripes on His back as He was beaten Isaiah 53:5: "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed."

The hardness of the candy" - the hardness represents that Jesus is our "Rock" if we build our lives upon Him, they will be secure and lasting Luke 6:38: "He is like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built."

The candy cane's shape - the candy cane is shaped like a shepherd's staff; the Bible calls Jesus our Good Shepherd who watches over us and cares for us; we are called the sheep of His pasture John 10:11: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." Psalm 100:3: "Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture."

"Upside down candy cane" - if you turn the candy cane upside down though, it makes a J for Jesus! Matthew 1:21: "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

As for the candy canes peppermint flavor, it represents the use of hyssop, an herb referred to in the Old Testament. Exodus 12:22

And just like candy the Lord's love for us grows sweeter each day.

We should all be like the candy maker and find some way to tell others about Jesus Christ.