

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements.....(668-8936) Allen Hughes  
 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer.....Charles Gillies  
 Reading.....Clent Kesey  
 Scripture.....1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
 Lord's Table (N).....\*Bruce Pryor  
 (S).....\*Larry Flatt  
 (N).....Bernie Gierucki  
 (N).....Danny Duncan  
 (N).....Ethan Gierucki  
 (S).....Justin Randolph  
 (S).....Kane Maynard  
 (S).....Ronnie Prince  
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Ken Martin

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements.....(668-8936) Allen Hughes  
 Lead Singing.....Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer.....Steve Boyd  
 Reading.....Ryan McColloch  
 Scripture.....Romans 12:21  
 Lord's Table.....\*W.C. Chilton  
 .....\*Michael Andrews  
 Sermon.....Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss.....Philip Brock

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements.....W.C. Chilton  
 Lead Singing.....Rickey Hurst  
 First Prayer.....Ronnie Hoover  
 Reading.....Darron Dixon  
 Invitation.....Steve Hillis  
 Dismiss.....Kurt Maynard

**Welcome Committee**

A.M.....David McColloch Family  
 P.M.....Bob Cantrell

**Bus Driver:**.....Ronnie Prince (934-4088)

**Ushers:** .....Joe Roller & Marc Martin  
**Attend Nursery:** .....Erin Duncan  
**Un/Lock Building:** Gordon Mayfield/Bernie Gierucki  
**Prepare Communion:** .....David & Iona King  
**Assist Baptisms:** ..... Elaine Hoover & Gail Crouch

**Pantry Item:** .....toothpaste

**Elder Closing Remarks:** .....Doug Hendrixson

**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship.....330  
 Bible Study.....240  
 P.M. Worship.....222  
 Wednesday Bible Study.....133  
 Contribution.....\$7,072

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**Services**

<i>Sunday</i>		<i>Wednesday</i>	
A.M. Worship	9:00 AM	Bible Study	7:00 PM
Bible Study	10:15 AM		
P.M. Worship	6:00 PM	<i>Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)</i>	
		Monday Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM

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## Sick

### At Home:

Wilma Rogers (home from rehab)  
Marie Moore (Mary Ashford's mother - 118  
Lakeside Dr., Rock Island)  
Bernice Nunez (sister of Linda Fufts)  
Doris Wilcher

### In The Hospital:

Benji Livingston (Tony's nephew) - Baptist  
Memorial Hospital CCU, Columbus, MS  
Spenser Hill - Vanderbilt Children's Hospital  
#6303 - Leukemia  
Brent Cantrell (son of Linda Cantrell) - St. Thomas-  
Rutherford #457  
Doyle Pryor (Bruce's father) - St. Thomas West  
#302

Keep in your prayers those of our number who are  
receiving chemo and radiation.

## Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family of Comer  
Bratcher, brother of our Edith Roberts. His funeral  
was Monday in Smithville.

## Sermons For Sunday

AM. Glimpse of Glory: Know Each Other In Heaven  
PM .....Favorite Passages: Romans 12:21

## Winning The Victory

Moses gave the orders  
It's time to cross the sea  
Look now and see His glory  
God will give the victory.

The rod stretched over waters  
A wall stood firm to see  
Without a spray of water  
They safely crossed the sea.

Today we're marching onward  
God has opened up the sea  
Faithful ones will win the crown  
Safe from their enemy.

~ Benny B. Bristow ~

## Youth News

Our monthly **BIRTHDAY WEDNESDAY** will  
take place on February 26<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet is on  
the Youth Bulletin Board for those who could help  
with refreshments.

The Junior and Senior High classes will be com-  
bined this Wednesday night. We ask that everyone  
meet downstairs. PLEASE make every effort to be  
at this class session.

Please keep us in your prayers as we travel to Gat-  
linburg this weekend for **CHALLENGE  
YOUTH CONFERENCE**.

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual **SPRING YOUTH RETREAT**  
is about one month away! Only a few boys' spots  
remain, with the girl's side filling up fast. Get  
signed-up!! SYR is March 21 – 23 at Hy-Lake  
Christian Camp. IF you can help us, we are in need  
of the following items: 40 empty cereal boxes, 8  
hula-hoops and 6 orange cones. Also, we will need  
help Thursday evening/night, Friday during the day,  
and Sunday afternoon to carry things to and from  
Hy-Lake. Please let me know if you can help. Janie  
Griffin will be organizing our meals again this year.  
We serve 6 meals over the weekend and a lot of  
coordination and logistics are involved, so I'm  
thankful for Janie's invaluable assistance. The only  
exception is our Saturday night meal, which is al-  
ways a feast, coordinated by Dale Bennett. So, an  
early thanks to these two, but just know that  
MANY Bybee Branch saints help to make our re-  
treat the success it has become. We will have a  
meeting on Sunday night, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, so I can go  
over all the specifics for the weekend. Please try to  
be at this meeting, but if you can't make sure you  
see me before.

Just a reminder about our **VBS MISSION TRIP**  
to Chalmette, Louisiana this June 14 – 20. If you are  
interested in joining the team, please see me.

The 20<sup>th</sup> **PROM ALTERNATIVE TRIP** is  
April 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>. We are headed to Cleveland,  
Ohio this year!

PARENTS: ALL students in 5<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade will  
be studying John 20 this Sunday for Bible class.  
Please help your kids as they read and try to un-  
derstand this chapter.

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> H.E.Y.  
Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Bible Bowl Study  
Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Bible Bowl  
Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Pew Packers  
Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Home Devotional

## Get Back Up!

When a giraffe is born, he tumbles ten feet to the  
ground, landing on his back. Within seconds, he rolls  
over and stands, struggling with those tall, untried legs.

The mother giraffe positions herself directly over her  
newborn, swings her leg outward and kicks that baby,  
sending it sprawling! If it doesn't get up, she kicks it  
again. If it grows tired, she kicks it again to stimulate  
its efforts to stand. Each time the baby giraffe manages  
to get to its feet, the mother kicks it once again.

Now, this may seem cruel to you, but there is a rea-  
son for the mother's behavior. She is simply preparing  
the baby for survival, because that little giraffe must  
learn to get up quickly and run with the herd when  
danger comes—otherwise he will not survive!

As Christians, we need to learn the same lesson that  
baby giraffes learn: when life kicks you down, you must  
get back up. You must never give up! Our soul's sur-  
vival depends upon our ability to persevere. James  
says, "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for  
when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life,  
which the Lord hath promised to them that love him"  
(James 1:12).

When things go wrong, Satan would love nothing bet-  
ter than for you to throw in the towel and give up on  
faith, God, Christ and the church. That's his goal—to  
get you to quit short of the goal of salvation. He  
wants you to become so frustrated that you will sim-  
ply quit. Don't let him get to you. When life knocks  
you down—get back up!

~ Larry Fitzgerald ~

## It Does Matter What We Believe

(Yesterday morning, a brother told me that this news  
story would make a good article. He even gave me  
the title for the article. I'm just filling in the blanks).

Just yesterday, I learned of the death of Jamie Coots.  
Jamie died after being bitten by a poisonous snake  
during a "snake handling church service." Coots could  
have received medical treatment, but he refused it  
based on his religious convictions and died.

Coots became a celebrity of sorts by appearing in the  
National Geographic television series, "Snake  
Salvation." This television show documented the be-  
liefs and practices of a Pentecostal church in southeast  
Kentucky that "handles poisonous snakes."

Members of this religious sect believe that Mark  
16:17-18 commands them to engage in this practice.  
However, a more careful study of the Bible will reveal  
that Jesus wasn't commanding Christians to be in-  
volved in a "side show" involving snakes. He was stat-  
ing that his followers would be given miraculous abili-  
ties that would assist them in confirming the message  
they preached. An example of what Jesus was talking  
about is found in Acts 28:1-6 when the apostle Paul  
was bitten by a poisonous viper on the Island of  
Malta. Instead of dying as the natives surely thought  
he would, Paul simply shook the snake from his hand,  
and he was alright. Furthermore, these miraculous  
gifts were temporary (1 Corinthians 13:8-10; Ephesi-  
ans 4:8-13) and were never intended to last for all  
time.

Sadly, Mr. Coots' misguided faith and interpretation of  
the Bible cost him his life. While, most of us reading  
this will not make the same mistake that Mr. Coots  
did, we may make other mistakes that could be just as  
harmful to our spiritual health? If we don't give great  
care and attention to reading and studying the word  
of God, we too can be hurt.

You see, in spite of what you've heard some people  
say, it does matter what you believe.

~ Steve Higginbotham ~  
(via <http://preachinghelp.org>)