

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

February 7, 2015

WELCOME: Jarrod DeValle
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Gary Bradford
LORD'S TABLE: Michael Gilbow
Kevin Blair
ASSIST: Phillip Short
Jacob Riela
Kevin Lovell
Wyatt Brewer
CLOSING PRAYER: Tim Dixon
GREETERS: Mike & Kristie Brewer
Michael & Susan Cole
CARDS: Jag McNulty
Tate Stacks
VISITOR GIFT/ Stephanie Barkley
HOSTESSES: Anne Janski
SCRIPTURE READER: Eli Leonard
Psalm 25:1-2

SUNDAY EVENING

February 7, 2015

SONG LEADER: Brian Drewry
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Brewer
LORD'S TABLE: Cayden Leonard
Robert Hayes
CLOSING PRAYER: Ron McInturff

WEDNESDAY EVENING

February 10, 2015

SONG LEADER: Brian Drewry
OPENING PRAYER: Clayton Dent
DEVOTIONAL: Kevin Blair
CLOSING PRAYER: Greg Bradford

****Please contact Mike Wolff
if you are unable to serve.***

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
EVENING 5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

Elders:

Gene Blair 501-499-5868 Darren Dent 501-581-3052

Deacons:

Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Del Hines 501-733-4645
(benevolence, pantry, greeters) (finance & technology)
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
(education & teachers) (building & grounds)
Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909
(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999
Spencer Cromwell 731-438-1206

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EMPTY SEATS

As graphic warning against the severe consequences of dishonesty, the example of Ananias and Sapphira is not easily surpassed. Many of the early Christians were encouraged by the generosity of some who sold earthly possessions to meet the needs of others. In particular, the actions of Barnabas, who later became the missionary companion of the apostle Paul, are highlighted by inspired Scripture (Acts 4:36-37). As the story goes, Ananias and Sapphira, his wife, sold a parcel of land and brought a portion of the proceeds to lay at the apostles' feet. Up to this point, they had done nothing amiss. No one had been commanded to sell everything. Those who sold what they had to contribute to the needs of the poor did so on a purely voluntary basis. Ananias and Sapphira were free to give any amount they wished—or none at all. However, they conspired together to give a portion of the proceeds while pretending to give it all (Acts 5:1-10).

What made the sin of Ananias and Sapphira such an awful transgression? They had not merely lied to men—they had lied to God as well. Lying to men is bad enough. Lying to God is far more serious. Perhaps, they were motivated by the praise others were receiving for their generosity. Or, they may have had good intentions, but when the money was in their hands, their hearts gave way to greed. We are not told their motives. They may have even feared poverty themselves—and decided to keep some for themselves “just in case.” Or, it may be that they were consumed by covetousness from beginning to end. Whatever the justification, it cost them dearly both in this life and in the life which is to come.

Lying does not always result in physical death in this life. A preacher stood before his congregation and preached a lesson on Ananias and Sapphira. When he got to the part where they dropped dead, he said, “I’m glad God doesn’t do that today. If He did, you know where I’d be.” Realizing what he had said, he quickly added, “I’d be here talking to a bunch of empty seats!” Lying still has eternal consequences. John said, “But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death” (Rev. 21:8). Lying may buy you some time here on earth, but you will have an eternity in hell to regret your purchase.

--Glen Elliott--

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Rod Wilson needs prayers as he recovers from a motorcycle accident.
 - *Dale Henley's mom fell and is in the hospital.
 - *Our sympathy goes out to Bob Turner and his family in the loss of his mother, Mildred Turner.
 - *Remember Helen Swindle's brother, Samuel Garvin, he is in the hospital at this time.
 - *Steve Harrel is home from the hospital.
 - *Colin McNulty, a senior at Greenbrier, is having heart/health problems - remember him in your prayers.
- *Please keep Nora Smith's niece, Connie Adams; Terri Shoemaker, friend of the Yeager's; Cleon Koone; Peggy Braden's daughter, Terri; Jason Elliott; Vic Byrd's daughter, Lauren; Ivana Selby; the Yeager's friend, Lesia; Nita Sadler's sister-in-law, Betty Cockrill; Mike Wolff's friend's wife, Dana; and Ronald Beene's brother, Mike, in your prayers.*
- *Remember our shut-ins including Jeanne Haithcote who is in the Greenbrier Nursing Home & Mack Hankins, who is home. Please let the office know of others as well.

									
BIRTHDAYS									
	Darren Dent				2/7				
	Lou Dillard				2/7				
	Dave Rhyne				2/7				
	Anne Steele				2/9				
	Ellis Turney				2/13				
ANNIVERSARY									
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We are ALL welcome to a **WEDDING SHOWER** for Paige & Spencer February 21st from 3:30-5:00 in the fellowship room
**we are having a gift card/money tree shower.*
Gift card ideas:
 Target; Bed, Bath & Beyond; Wal-mart; Kohl's; Market Place; Olive Garden

Our congregation will be hosting the **AREAWIDE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP**

February 14th

Please sign up to bring a dessert for the meal to follow



OUR RECORD

JANUARY 31, 2016

SUNDAY CLASS:	187
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	230
SUNDAY PM:	101
WEDNESDAY (3rd):	125
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$6,466
YTD average:	\$5,802
YTD ahead/behind:	\$2,011

THANK YOU CARDS:

Thanks for all the prayers and phone calls. We are so blessed to have nurses, EMT's here in our church family. Also others who are always there to help in any way. So proud to have Christian friends like this.
 In Christian love,
 Cleon & Marilyn Koone.

 We would like to thank every one for the many prayers concerning Randy's health.
 VA Results: Non-cancerous benign.
 Giving God the glory.
 Randy & Angie Gordey

AREA WIDE FELLOWSHIP

FEBRUARY 15th
 at Downtown in Morrilton at 5:30
 Cost is \$6.00 a person

PANTRY ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY:

peanut butter & canned pasta

We rejoice that Jerry Garrett made the decision to put Christ on in baptism. Let's welcome and encourage this new Christian.

His address: 10 Elliott Road
 Greenbrier, AR 72058
 Home number: 679-2336

VISITOR BAGS

for February 14th
 Annie Blair & Edie Singleton



"You do not have, because you do not ask God."
 James 4:3

Abraham Lincoln, the American president who faced tremendous personal struggles in his life, once said, "I have been driven to my knees many times by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go."

And it often takes just that--the overwhelming conviction that you have nowhere else to go--before you are willing to pray. And there is a reason for that. To have to say, "God, I'm at the end of myself and I have nowhere else to turn," is humiliating. It's like being absolutely broke and having to go to a friend and say, "Hey, could you make me a loan? I don't have enough money to buy bread and milk for the children."

If you can fix something yourself, you can then sit back and say, "Hey, look what I did! I pulled strings. I made the right connections. I'm actually pretty good." But when I pray about something, I'm asking from a position of weakness. And there is something about my old nature which doesn't like to be put in that position. That something is called pride.

That's what grace is about, grace which comes from the hand of a loving, compassionate Father who delights in meeting you at the point of your need. Only willful, misplaced, senseless pride and arrogance keep you from knocking at the door of grace, coming with an open hand, asking God to meet you at the point of your need. Prayer is not overcoming God's reluctance, but yours, something you must never forget.
 -Spencer Cromwell

FOOD COMMITTEE for FEBRUARY

Please contact
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