

"so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God " Colossians 1:10

# Don't Forget to Light the Fire Larry Fitzgerald

In one of Jack London's short stories, he writes about a fellow who was a newcomer to the Alaska gold rush. As he outfits to go out to "stake his claim and strike it rich," a seasoned veteran gives him some advice.

"It's winter, so whenever you pause from hiking, be sure to light a fire before doing anything else...including resting."

The rookie millionaire want-a-be hikes for hours toward unclaimed land to set up his land claim. Finally, he stops. He is exhausted. So, he rests under a tree "for only a moment." He figures that a little rest before making his fire and setting up camp wouldn't hurt. He ignored the advice from the old outfitter. He drifts into a short nap.

When he awakes, he finds that his hands and feet are so numb from the cold that he cannot make his fire. His body grows cold and his first day in Alaska becomes his last.

A sad story with no happy ending. But I find in this little bit of fiction a parable for life. If you don't light a spiritual fire, you will soon grow numb and your spiritual life will fade and flicker out. How do we do we light such a fire? There are three important steps.

<u>Listen to God daily</u>. This means reading the Bible every day. If your time is limited or your eyesight is faltering, then you can listen to recordings of Bible on tape or CD. "Receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls" (James 1:21b).

**Be diligent in doing God's work**. This means worshiping with the brethren and telling others about Christ. The opposite of this is described in Luke 8:14.

<u>Pray often</u>. This keeps the fire in our lives going as much as stoking a camp-fire with more wood (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).



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#### When We Assemble

Sunday

Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Bible Classes following

Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

All services are live streamed on our Facebook and YouTube pages



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## Isaiah's Call

Our item for this effort is:

Vienna Sausage's

## **Worship Leaders**

Sunday, January 9th 2021 A.M.
Lead Singing—David Quillen
Announcements—Bobby Roberson
Read- Roger Matthews
Opening Prayer—Kaleb Jones
Closing Prayer—Brian Jones

Officiating Lord's Supper Travis Allen

Ushers and Security
Kirby Hines, Teddy Richey
Jeff Trousdale, Boyd Gist

PowerPoint for this week: Wes Ayers, Steve Murks

Sanitizing for the week Brian Jones, Steve Murks Kaleb Jones

Sunday, January 9th 2021 P.M.
Lead Singing - David Quillen
Announcements — Bobby Roberson
Opening Prayer — R.C. Clemmons
Closing Prayer — Leon Hines

Wednesday, January 12th 2021
Lead Singing— Gunner Pate
Announcements— Bobby Roberson
Read— Nicholas Grigsby
Opening Prayer— Keeton Hines
Extend Invitation— Jake Whitehead
Closing Prayer—Maddox Allen

Sunday, January 16th 2021 A.M. Lead Singing—Jared Hines Announcements—Dennis Allen Read- Kaleb Jones Opening Prayer—R.L. Behel Closing Prayer—Teddy Richey

Officiating Lord's Supper Leon Hines

Ushers and Security
Bobby Roberson, Jonah Danley
Mike DesRuisseaux

PowerPoint for this week. Kirby Hines, Seth Pettus

Sanitizing for the week
Bobby Roberson, Jonah Danley
Stephen Phillips

Sunday, January 16th 2021 P.M. Lead Singing – Jared Hines Announcements — Dennis Allen Opening Prayer — Jimmy Phillips Closing Prayer — Stephen Phillips

Wednesday, January 19th 2021
Lead Singing— Keeton Hines
Announcements— Dennis Allen
Read— Brennan Rook
Opening Prayer— Nicholas Grigsby
Extend Invitation— Kaleb Jones
Closing Prayer—Gunner Pate

Please Contact Mike DesRuisseaux at (256) 740-2720 if you are unable to fulfill your worship assignments!

#### SHILOH FAMILY MEMBERS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Minerva Allen Nell White Ted & Beverly Short Clayburn & Marguerite Hines Derance & Phyllis Smith

Pat Hannah

**Darrell Twilley** 

Brenda Stejskal

Misty Ray Moses

Maggie Kilpatrick

Sue Chandler

Arvel Curtis

Charlene Purser

Carolyn McCluskey

Sally Richardson

E.L. Richardson

Regina Jenkins (Knee Surgery)

The Roberson family

Danielle Aston

Morgan Marks

**Tony Grigsby** 

Virginia Behel (Tests)

Brian Smith and the students as they travel to Colorado

#### **FRIENDS & FAMILY IN NEED OF PRAYERS**

Allen Smith (Bill Phillips grandson)

Cade Allen

Billy Putman (friend of Johnnie Ruth Dixon- brain tumor)

Lonna Hines

Kruz & Paizlee Davenport

Margaret Dishowngh (Janie Coker's sister- has cancer)

Megan Klingbell

Madelyn Littrell

Richard Stumpe (friend of Noel & Kathryn Scott—cancer)

Luke White—(Nell White's grandson)

Mitzi Robinson (Nell White's niece)

Jerry Horton (Friend of Raymond & Brenda Phillips)

Donnie McGee

Tommy Pettus (Cancer Treatments)

Steve Shelton

Carol Gist

Steve Gist

Tommy Ruple

Kent Baggett

Leanna Rhodes

Sherry Behel

Virginia Springer

Tammy Richardson

R.T. & Martha Farmer (Janice Ray's Parents)

Luke Oliver—COVID (friend of the Simpson family)

Brooks Elliot (Friend of Allison Hines, Cancer Treatments)

Terry Clemons (Cousin of Paulette Abernathy, Lung Cancer)

Ella Rae Woods (friend of Shelia Quillen)

Jason Hankins (Back Surgery)

Doris Parker (sister of Barbara Pigg) (hip surgery)

Ron Hayes (Mary & Carolyn's brother)

Mandy Hemmen

Kirk Bull (Meredith's uncle)

Jimmy Cox

Evelyn Murks (Steve's mother) - Fall

Regina Campbell (Cancer Treatments, friend of Hines family)

Jerry Coker (Mike Coker's father)

Kelly Welch (Meredith's mother)

Troy Pettus

Rayburn Scott (COVID)

Ray Wisner

Jeff, Carol and Beau Harrison

Amanda Gooch (54 yoa—COVID)

## **NURSING HOME & ASSISTED LIVING**

♦ El Reposo

Bradley Dupree—Rm#303B

♦ Lauderdale Christian

Gail Watkins—Rm #20

♦ Cedar View

Sue Goins—Rm#114

## MEMBERS IN HOSPITAL/REHAB

♦ Baptist Hospital in Memphis
Nell White



## Happy Birthday

11—R.l. Behel 12—Anthony Purser

13—Brent Llewellyn

15—Daniel Wallace

16—Ted Short

16—Faith Phillips

## **Happy Anniversary**

19—Danny & Donna Jenkins 22—Justin & Charlene Purser

22—Tony & Deanna Grigsby

24—Tim & Carolyn McCluskey

29—Steve & Sonya Murks

## Sympathy:

We express our deepest condolences to Daniel Wallace in the passing of his grandfather, George Wallace. At time of print, no arrangements had been made. We also express our sympathy to the friends and family of Shirley Wright who passed away recently. Her funeral was this past Wednesday. Please remember these two families in your daily prayers.

## Youth meeting:

There will be a very important meeting for all the youth group and their parents following our morning worship TODAY. Please make every attempt to be apart of this meeting. We will meet in the front of the auditorium.

## Rejoicing:

We rejoice with Misty Moses as she recently asked for prayers of the church and forgiveness from God. Misty stated that due to her health condition and her inability to attend church services that her faith has been wavering and that she needed forgiveness and prayers for strength. Please remember her in your daily prayers and reach out to her and see if there is any way that you can help her!

Television Bible Programs We Support

Fabric of the Family
Sunday morning: 8:00 a.m. on CW Network with brother
Barry Gilreath of Stutts Road Church of Christ

In Search of the Lord's Way
Sunday morning, 7:30 a.m. on Channel 54 with brother Phil Sanders
of Edmond, Oklahoma Church of Christ.

Getting To Know Your Bible
DIRECT TV 379 Sunday Mornings at 10:30 a.m. and on KTV Channel
264(Dish) Sunday Mornings at 9:30 a.m. CST.

## Records We Collected

## Sunday, January 2nd, 2021

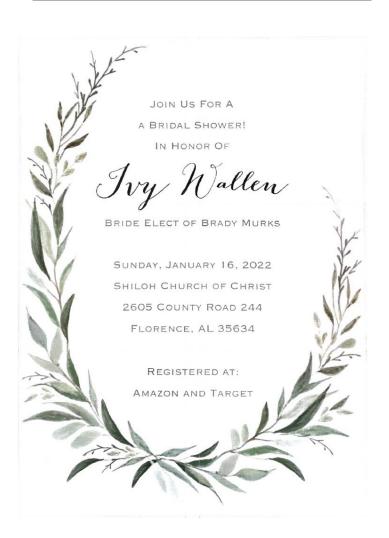
Bible Class—126 A.M. Worship—129 P.M. Worship—115 Contribution—5,037.00 Internet Views A.M.—104 Internet Views P.M.—90

## Wednesday, January 5th, 2021

A.M. Bible Study—17 P.M. Bible Study—114 Internet Views from December 29th—151

## **Visitors:**

Visiting with Boyd and Janice Gist Kayla, Nash and Josie Pettus 89 Melody Lane Florence AL 35634







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## <u>A Minute</u> with Mac

Snow, cold and sunshine. That is what the week has had for us this week. It was amazing to think that last Saturday and Sunday that we went through all four seasons of the year in two days. Due to this, many are experiencing sinus issues. Also lately the lovely covid virus has ramped back up. Please feel free to protect yourself by wearing a mask if you feel like it. If you are visiting with us, please know that you are our honored guest and please stick around for a few minutes after services so that we can get to know you better. If you have any questions about what is done or said in our worship service, please don't hesitate to ask.

This morning, we will begin thinking about how to think about souls like Jesus. Over the next several weeks we will explore topics and situations and see how Jesus handled them. Today we are going to focus on "Evangelizing like Jesus." Jesus was the master teacher, and although what He said is very important, today we are going to focus on where and how He said what He said. If we pattern our evangelism after Jesus then there is no way we can go wrong.

This evening we will be looking at John chapter 14 verses 23 and 24 as we look at "our love for Jesus." We will look at two main points as we look at the demonstration of our love and the deceitfulness of false love.

Wednesday evening, Lord willing, we will continue our verse by verse look at the book of Matthew. Please go ahead and be reading up on Matthew chapter 3 and 4! The first two chapters went by very quickly, however, we will being to slow down when we get to chapter 5.

It is going to be a great day! And I am so glad that we get to worship our God—together!