

Worship Servants:

This week: 12/3/23

Sermon: Matt J
Preside: Barry S, James M
David H, Braxton M
Opening Prayer: David H
Closing Prayer: Glenn E
Singing AM: Doug M
Singing PM: Bert S

Next week: 12/10/23

Sermon: Matt J
Preside: Dylan N, Doug M
Justin H, Matt S
Opening Prayer: Barry S
Closing Prayer: Phillip E
Singing AM: John S
Singing PM: Justin H

Sermon Notes



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Welcome

UPCOMING EVENTS

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY | December 5, 6:30pm
MDCOC Fellowship Hall
Held monthly on the first Tuesday.

SATURDAY SISTERS | TBD

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY |
December 12, 6:00pm

TEENS IN THE WORD | TBD

MEN'S BREAKFAST | December 31 @ 7:45am
At the building.

IN BETWEENERS NIGHT | Dec. 8 @ 6pm
White elephant part @ Jones House

TEACHER'S MEETING | December 10
Following evening services
Anyone who desires to teach please come!

Check the bulletin in the foyer for more announcements and upcoming events.

Service Times

Sunday:

Bible Class 9 AM
Worship 10 AM
Worship 6 PM

Wednesday:

Bible Class 6 PM

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God Will Visit You

Wayne Burger

In Genesis 50:24, Joseph tells his brethren that he is about to die and that "...God will surely visit you" (KJV - other versions have "take care of you").

How would it be if God were to visit you? Would you have to make any changes in your dress, the books you read or the movies you watch? Would you have to speak differently to each other? Would your house reflect love and devotion or hatred and bitterness?

God is not literally going to come bodily to our houses, but He is there spiritually. He knows what we are inside our house when others may not know. He will hold each of us accountable for the way we act and what we do in our family relationships.

Actually, this word "visit" means "to exercise oversight over a subordinate either in the form of inspection or acting to change the circumstances of a subordinate whether for better or worse" (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance #6485). When Joseph spoke those words, his people were enjoying the blessings of Egypt. But there was coming a time when they would be enslaved. At that time, God was going to visit them and deliver them to the promised land.

We need to remember that God exercises oversight of us and wants to take care of us. Just as God visited the Jews when they had needs, so God will visit us when we have a need. But we must stay in an obedient relationship with him. Why do we think that we can live as we like all of our life and then, all of a sudden when we need help, all we have to do is holler and God will deliver us? God does want to visit us - that is to assist us. But he is only going to assist those who are his faithful servants.

Let each of us live so that God can visit us when we need the help.

WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pam Marlowe, who is a Christian in Gulf Shores, has double pneumonia.
- 2 students at BHS lost their fathers recently
- Faye Caddell is having health struggles
- Wayne Worley, Harbin's neighbor, is in need of prayers
- Donna Dailey is recovering from surgery
- Capri Day's mother passed away
- Bill Finnen, coworker with Scott Sloan, has pneumonia and is in bad shape
- Ken Ramay and his recovery from procedure / spiritual struggles
- Todd Pierce, Jay and Kitty's neighbor, having life struggles
- Kenzi Swindel has started her treatments, has had some victories lately
- Sandy Mears is in hospital for irregular heartbeat
- Dominic Jackson lost his father tragically and he is a 9th grader.
- Jimmy Bearden, West Blocton resident, diagnosed with lung cancer
- Wayne, brother in law of Kitty's friend, having health struggles
- Sharlene, friend of Kitty, is having a hard time these days.
- Reatha Griffin is having a lot of health issues.
- Joel Booth, member of Cicero family, has health struggles.
- 2 young ladies from Brookwood High School who are having mental struggles
- Mike Marlowe spot on arm biopsied awaiting test results
- Alma Parrot, Edwards brothers' sister, not doing well
- Bekah Vining, West Blocton resident, has breast cancer. She is young.
- Eric Hiott blood clot in the brain after heart surgery
- Yvonne Cicero's great aunt Nell Tomlin is starting radiation for cancer.
- Bridgett Hobson friend of Juanita, her brain tumor is back. Treatment plan figured out
- SHANE ACRE'S DAD, Eddie, had his port put in for chemo
- Kyson Farley, Donna Dailey's grandnephew, has kidney cancer and is on Chemo
- BARBIE SMITH'S FATHER and all of health issues, is making progress.

ATTENDANCE

Worship A.M. ... 64

Worship P.M. 36

Wed P.M.34

CONTRIBUTION

Last Week.....\$2,515.00

BUDGET\$3,000.00

