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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:30 AM

AM Worship10:25 AM

PM Worship6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....7:00 PM

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BIBLE LESSON TEXT

Sun. December 20-**Lost Sheep/Lost Coin** Luke :1-10

Wed. December 23-**Lost Son**
Luke 15:11-32

Sun. December 27-**Lazarus Raised**
John 11:1-46

Wed. December 30-**Singing Night**

OUR FAITH IN ACTION
SUNDAY, December 13, 2015

Bible Classes.....	64
AM Worship.....	93
PM Worship.....	78
Contribution.....	\$4,081.01
Average to Date.....	\$3,192.45
Budget to Date.....	\$3,243.00
Wednesday, Dec. 9.....	90

God's Salvation Plan

HEAR the Gospel – Romans 10:17

BELIEVE on the Lord & His Word – Mark 16:16;
John 8:24

REPENT of our sins – Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30

CONFESS Christ – Matthew 10:32; Luke 12:8;
Romans 10:9

BE BAPTIZED for the remission of sins – Acts 2:38;
Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; 1 Peter 3:21

LIVE a faithful, dedicated life – Revelation 2:10;
2 Peter:5-10

Happenings in God's Family

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Why Did God Give Us Jesus?

Many focus on the story of Jesus at this time of the year. God has given us the story of Jesus so that we can know who Jesus is and choose to identify with Him. Identifying with Jesus restores a person destroyed by sin to fellowship with God and creates a new life. Paul wrote about this transformation in 2 Corinthians 5:17-19:

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.”

We become a new creation of God by identifying with Jesus. God wants us to identify with Jesus because Jesus is the second Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45) – the new standard of humanity. When we identify with Jesus we become what God truly wants us to be as the creation He intended. We identify with Jesus by being baptized (Colossians 2:11-13). When we are baptized, we undergo in water the process of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection identifying with Him and the message of the gospel (1 Corinthians 15:1-4, Romans 6:1-11, Colossians 2:12). When we so put on Christ, we are no longer presenting the old man of sin as our identity, but the new man that is in Christ as our identity. This brings us into God's family since Jesus is the Son of God. Do you want to be what God intended you to be? Identify with Jesus today and be baptized. God bless you, and I love you.

Kevin Cauley

DECEMBER 20, 2015 SERVANTS

AM PRAYERS

Russell Tyndell
Larry Stinson

PM PRAYERS

Blake Tyndell
Jerry Boston

Announcements: Scott Hobson

LORD'S TABLE: Mike Raney, Jim Scarbrough, Ben Dooley & Charles Cauley

Sunday PM Communion: Austin Cauley

VISITOR CARDS: Sawyer Hobson
Gavin Cauley

NURSERY: Marie Howard

DECEMBER 27, 2015 SERVANTS

AM PRAYERS

Johnny Thomas
James Williams

PM PRAYERS

Dave Conley
Mike Raney

Announcements: Scott Hobson

LORD'S TABLE: Mike Raney, Jim Scarbrough, Ben Dooley & Charles Cauley

Sunday PM Communion: Austin Cauley

VISITOR CARDS: Sawyer Hobson,
Chance Powell

NURSERY: Juanita Higginbotham

*If you are unable to serve, please call
Billy Johnson @ 903.628.5827*



Remember in Prayer

Peyton Richardson (*Janiece Richardson's granddaughter*);
James Shirley; Jr. Hammonds (*Betty Hammond's husband*); Ricky Champion and Jean Jones

Remember also our shut-in's: Hubert & Glenda May, Keith & Helen Clark, Phil Williams, Faye Anderson, & J.D. & Thelma Johnson. Marie McPherson (DeKalb Nursing home).

No bulletin will be printed the last 2 weeks of December. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

If you would like to help towards the purchase of fruit for 50 Kids Christmas sacks, see Jerry or Charlene Yates.



"Happy Birthday" to Jean Jones on 12/20; to Jim Scarbrough on 12/22; Sylvia Williams & Misti Thomas on 12/28; Jerry Boston on 12/29. *"Happy Anniversary"* to Mr. & Mrs. Ben Dooley on 12/30.

Calendar of Events.

Sun. Dec. 20---**Sign Language Class @ 4:30**

Wed. Dec. 23---**Pat McIntosh** speaking.

Wed. Dec. 30---**Singing Night**

Thurs. Dec. 31---**New Years Eve Winter Retreat @ Camp Ida** thru. Jan. 2nd.

Sun. Jan. 3, 2016---**Sign Language Class**

Wed. Jan. 6, 2016---**Ladies Bible Class** resumes @ 10 AM

LTS December Report

Sylvia Williams

God Wants Us to Know That Jesus is His Son

None of the twenty-five children who participated in Learning to Serve activities Sunday afternoon was born when the first session was held fourteen years ago in 2001, but a lot of the adult faces are the same, except for a few more laugh lines.

It was a good day with the children singing many of their favorite songs, learning that Jesus's birth fulfilled many prophecies that confirmed He was truly God's Son, making a tic-tac-toe game reinforcing Biblical facts about His birth, enjoying refreshments and learning patience and good sportsmanship with active games. Meg and Ernest Shelton provided a treat by sending each child and adult home with a bag of kettle corn.

Other adults who invested their rainy afternoon in planting the gospel seed are Paulette Taylor, Mary Lynn Cauley, Jimmie Thomas, Charlene Yates, Sylvia Williams, Virginia Parrish, Janie Martin, Wilma Alexander, Sandra Conley and Devonte Ballard.

Our teen helpers were Sommer Hobson, Latorie Brown, Daniella Conley, and Ashton Holland.

The children who passed the milestone without a clue to its significance are Brooklyn, Adaijah, Wyatt, Diego, Sabrina, Anieyia, Charles, Jayden, Gavin, Kenneth, Mersadies, A'miracle, Jordan, Akiya, Ania, Conner, Precious, China, Krysta, Jonny, Marli, Iyonna, Damaris, and Sawyer.

As we continue this valuable work, we look forward to your continued support. Your patience, prayers and encouragement are appreciated.

Dear Church Family, There are no words to express how we feel about our church family. We thank each of you who brought food, sent flowers or anything you did. Thank you for all the prayers before and after our sister passed away. There is no greater love than that of our Christian friends. We love you all and thank you so very much. We love you all!

Lynda & Janiece

We would like to say *"Thank You"* to Henry Murray for his donation to the church. He donated a machine that puts "picks" on the ends of artificial flowers so they can be placed onto styrofoam. The ladies will appreciate it very much.

Allison Raney Phillips responded Sunday requesting prayers to help her be a better Christian.