

"I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for ever; with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations" Pslams 89:1



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes	9:30 AM
AM Worship	10:25 AM
PM Worship	6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY:

Ladies' Bible Class	10:00 AM
Bible Classes and Devo	7:00 PM

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; James 1:12

Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. (Romans 12:9)

Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.(Romans 12:21)

If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.(Genesis 4:7)

BIBLE LESSON TEXTS

Sunday, July 2 Mary and Martha Luke 10:38-42



Wednesday, July 5

Man Born Blind

John 9:1-41



Happenings in God's Family

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Wrestling with Self Forgiveness (Part 4)

Our struggle with self forgiveness may include old and painful memories. Sometimes these memories plague us in an endless loop of negative thoughts and pictures. We need to address our memories in a constructive way. When old memories continue to bother us, that indicates a lack of resolution. Are we trying to avoid the same problem in the future? Do we feel like we were treated unjustly? Are we using those memories to justify present behavior? Are we are hung up in unbelief that something so terrible happened to us, a denial of reality? There could be many reasons why we are not letting our past go. What can we do about these repeated negative memories?

We must recognize when the cycle of negative thinking begins. If we can identify when it starts, we can do two things. First, we can interrupt the negative thoughts with other thoughts more positive in nature. Philippians 4:8 says, "Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things." If our thoughts do not conform to these virtues, we should change our thoughts and think on this list of things that the Holy Spirit gives us. Replacing our negative thoughts with positive ones helps to eliminate them. This will give us relief from the negative emotions that accompany them. This does not address the underlying issues, but like a band-aid, it provides temporary relief so that we can heal. The second thing we can do is work on the underlying reason for the negative thinking. We will discuss this more in the next article.

God bless you, and I love you. Kevin Cauley

July 2, 2023 SERVANTS

Announcements: John David Thomas

LORD'S TABLE: Jamey Thomas
Justin ArsenaultMicah Thomas
AM Songleader.........Justin Tyndell

AM PRAYERS PM PRAYERS

Blake TyndellJim Patterson
John David Thomas Eddie Cauley

PM Songleader:Scott Overstreet

PM Communion: Jamey Thomas

Prepare and fill communion trays for
July: Janiece Richardson and Janie Martin

Remember in Prayer



July 9, 2023 SERVANTS

Announcements; John David Thomas

LORD'S TABLE: Jamey Thomas
Justin ArsenaultMicah Thomas
AM Songleader.....Blake Tyndell

AM PRAYERS PM PRAYERS

Tommy McGee Dave Conley Jody Thomas Jamey Thomas **PM Songleader:** John David Thomas

PM Communion: Jamey Thomas

Prepare and fill communion trays for July: Janiece Richardson and Janie Martin

If you cannot serve, please call John D. Thomas-903-490-5572.

Birthdays!		
Helen Clark	July 5	
James Hobbs	July 8	
Anniversary		
M/M Justin Arsenault	July 6	

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, June 25, 2023

Bible Class	48
AM Worship	
PM Worship	44
Contribution	\$2,409.50
Average to Date	\$2,870.29
Budget to Date	\$3,127.00
 Wednesday. June 2	146



Canned chili or Vienna sausages.
Home of Recovery needs canned soup

Thank you note from **Charlene Yates**:

Thank You for your kindness, love, and comfort for the loss of my brother. I will always remember your love and the beautiful flower reef from the church.

Reminders/Notices

- 1. Youth Series meeting on July 3 is at Hampton in Texarkana.
- 2. Potluck Luncheon for July is to be on the 16th.
- 3. Let's keep praying for our Summertime Travelers, Camp-goers, and vacationers in general!
- 4. We can take the van to the Oak Grove Singing (see next page) on Friday (see back) if we leave at 6pm.
- 5. Brazil mission will start on July 9 with travel to the airport. Please be praying for all to go well in preparation, conduct, and the work in Brazil.
- 6. Jim Patterson will preach Sunday evening, July 2, in Brother Cauley's absence.
- 7. Our own turn at hosting the Summer Youth Series will occur later this month, on July 24th.

Examples

Among the many people who might be examples to us, our brethren in Christ ought to be sought out, observed, and followed. Our fellow Christians are individuals who have spent their lives (in many cases, several decades) doing good things and combatting evil. Through the years of my experience in a few congregations, it has been my privilege to know many good brethren, many of whom I knew growing up. The wonderful lessons that have been taught by their examples has helped me in countless ways, but here I would pass on to you just that testimony and what God intends, according to His word, should take place with our influence among other Christians.

Christ intends us all to follow Him, even as we look for good examples around us. He is the best example (1 Corinthians 10:32-11:1; 1 Peter 2:21-22). Indeed, He is the singular example who has both departed this life and been resurrected in a glorified state. The path He shows us all through faith and obedience is the very basis of our Judgment (John 12:48; 14:6; Acts 10:38).

Our responses to life's needs in times of crisis or trial are watched by many. Paul by inspiration spotlighted the brethren of Macedonia as an example to the brethren of Achaia (Corinth, especially) that they might know the particulars of attitude and extent in the works of love endeavored in the first century for assistance of the brethren in Judea (2 Corinthians 8, 9). He exhorted the Corinthians to follow their example with proper motivation and follow-through.

While we will not be perfect examples, and we may not always be able to do as much as others, let's not self—deprecate to the point of neglect of what we CAN do, for that is a large part of what we should do, insomuch as good is concerned.

(Galatians 6:10; Mark 14:8,9)