

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

January 3, 2016



2016 a year for the **KING OF KINGS**

1 TIMOTHY 6:15 • REVELATION 17:14

*May these words be received in the same spirit of love
in which they were written.*

If you are reading these words, then our God has allowed the earth to stand to complete another full orbit around the sun, and the earth is still rotating on its axis. Yes, we have ...

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you... (1 John 1:5).

**VISITORS,
WELCOME!**

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Bible Class

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP

1:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes
for all ages & fellowship
for lunch every Sunday!

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Ron Johnson Andy Ratliff

Joe Owen Tim Wilkes, II

PREACHER

Clifton Angel

... completed another year and been given another day. 2016 is intriguing to many in our nation because it is a year we elect a new President. Already, candidates are campaigning, citizens are considering, the media is deceiving, and I'll be one of the first to tell you I do not like politics.

However, it is not a question to the godly-minded person that this nation is headed in the wrong direction. I will also boldly say that our current President is not fully responsible for our chosen pathway to demise. You see, the murder of innocent children (some call it abortion) was legal before he came to office. We were in debt over our heads before he came to office. The destruction of marriage by fornication, adultery, divorce, and cohabitation was already widely-accepted and practiced among our citizens, before the 2008 Presidential election. The pornographic industry was already established and "prospering" (or destroying homes and individuals) before our current president came to office. Gambling was already widely-accepted and marketed in our nation prior to the current Cabinet. Telling lies and spreading lies was already a rampant exercise before he was Mr. President.

It is not my intention to defend our current President as much as it is my intention to offend the hearts of men and women. I do not mean I am trying to hurt our feelings; I'm only trying to prick our hearts (Acts 2:37). I love the freedoms offered by a system of democracy or republic, but I am afraid such "freedoms" have had a negative effect on the worldview of many. Just because God gave us the freewill to choose does not make our choices authoritative, truthful, or proper. Yet, so many have pushed for choice it seems until our only choice is sin. This is not new. The writer of the book of Judges wrote, "In those

days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes" (Judges 17:6).

I do not know the origin of the quote, but I know the origin of its principle: "America's hope is not in a donkey or an elephant, but in the Lamb." The Apostle John revealed, "The Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful" (Revelation 17:14). Only through faithful obedience to Jesus Christ, the King of kings (1 Timothy 6:15), can we be righteous. You see, "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34). Will you join us as we seek to make 2016 a year for the King of kings?

Clifton Angel

Sermon Review

Anticipating His Appearance

(Titus 2:13)

- I. **Things That Hinder Our Anticipation.**
- II. **Things That Help Our Anticipation.**

For Such A Time As This

(Esther 4:14)

- I. **The Passage.**
- II. **The Clock (Time).**
- III. **The World.**
- IV. **The Red (Blood).**

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Dalton Owen, recovering from sinus surgery; **Marc Strickland**, came for asking for prayers of congregation; **India mission**; **Clifton Angel**, rheumatoid arthritis; **Some** traveling for holidays; **Wiley & Betty Tuggle**.

NetCasters
Fishers of Men
Far East Missions

Family & Friends

Cherie Zimmerschied & family, friend of Dana, her husband died Wednesday; **Mac Owen**; **Bill Fleming**, Billie Martin's father, weak from treatments; **Blair Jefferies and family**; **Whitworth family**; **Lottie McMahan**, Betty C.'s sister in nursing home; **Tasha Higginbotham**, successful kidney transplant; **Sheila Culbreath Tubbs**; **Fannie Mize**, breast cancer; **Rhonda Cook**, Dana's cousin's wife; **Wanda Coats**, Rachel's aunt, breast cancer; **Henretta Newsom**; **Steve Angel**; **Tammy Powell**; **Sharon Brewer**, Chris' sister; **Lawton O'Brien**; **Doris Easley**; **Pat Hardison**; **Walter Huffman**; **Beverly Whitecotton**; **Jack Higginbotham**; **John & Anita Simpson and family**; **Peggy Hunt**; **Jason Spencer**; **Joy Angel**; **John Smith**; **Elizabeth Baker**; **Paul Perkins**; **Janie Brister**; **Carole Livsey**; **Amanda Cummings**; **Danielle Key**; **Ava Roten**, **Brett Rutherford**; **Frankie Burfield**; **James Cooper**; **Renee Loya**; **Eli Williams**; **Ray Maples**; **Martha Hatfield**; **Virginia Johnson**; **Bob Spurlin**.

Birthdays

1/4 Milba Sutton
1/5 Cash Jackson
1/6 Mindy Moore
1/7 Tucker Johnson
1/8 Dean Strickland
1/23 Lara Angel
1/25 Jeffrey Ferrell
1/30 Stephanie Bayless

Get Involved!

Sunday Afternoon for the Savior — Jan 3
Between services

Fishers of Men at GBN — Jan 8 — 1 PM
12-week course on Fridays at 1 PM
See Tim Wilkes, Sr. if interested in participating

Providence Place Devo — Jan 10 — 2 PM

Bible Bowl @ Nesbit — Jan 16 — 4 PM
John 10 — 12

Convalescence Center Devo — Jan 27 — 10 AM

Coldwater Singing Night — Jan 27 — 7 PM

5th Sunday Service — Jan 31 — 1 PM

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, January 3

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Joe Owen
Announcements	Andy Ratliff
Song Leader	Jared Brown
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Jim Jackson
	Billy Bland
Assist	Ron Johnson
	Jeffrey Ferrell
Opening Prayer	Jerry Davis
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Marc Strickland

Afternoon

Song Leader	Jared Brown
Opening Prayer	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Billy Bland
	Jeffrey Ferrell
	Chris Martin
Closing Prayer	

Wednesday, January 6

Song Leader	Jared Brown
Prayer	Seth Daniel
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Russell Wadsworth