

# The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 1, 2015



## Are You A Taker Or A Giver?

- Are you sure to take credit for works that are done or do you seek to give credit for them?
- Are you more apt to take others' time or to give your time to others?
- Do you take joy from others or give it to them?
- Are you quicker to take the attention or to give it?
- Would others better know you as a taker of happiness or as a giver of it?
- Is your reputation as one who takes others' help or who gives yourself to help others?

*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 & Pew Packers  
each Sunday at 12:30

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### ELDERS

Billy Bland

Seth Daniel

Jim Jackson

W. Timothy Wilkes, Sr.

### DEACONS

Jason Bayless Jared Brown

Jerry Davis Jeffrey Ferrell

Ron Johnson Andy Ratliff

Joe Owen Tim Wilkes, II

### PREACHER

Clifton Angel

- Are you prone to take advantage of someone or give an advantage to someone?
- As you take God's blessings, do you give yourself as a blessing to others?
- Would you be better known as a taker or giver of encouragement?

There are surely more contrasts along these lines, but consider this regarding them all. Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35b). Much of this is a matter of selfishness or unselfishness. As unappealing as the prospect is, each of us does well to look closer at which we are. We may grab a temporary spotlight, get a short-term advantage, or have the fleeting praise of men, even while taking, but the Lord's view is different. He says of takers, "They have their reward in full" (Mat. 6:2,5,16). How much better to give (cf. Lk. 6:38)!

–written Neal Pollard  
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### Local Fishers of Men Classes

- Looxahoma, MS – Beginning February 9, 2015
- Olive Branch, MS – Beginning February 10, 2015
- Nesbit, MS – Beginning February 12, 2015

Material is \$65 per person. If you plan to attend, please let Tim Wilkes II know so that he can be sure to have enough material. The course is 12 weeks. Classes are in the evening. Specific times will be provided soon.

# STRIKING SIMILARITIES BETWEEN ISLAM AND MORMONISM

By Jason Hilburn

<b>ISLAM (A.D. 610)</b>	<b>MORMONISM (A.D. 1830)</b>
<b>Muhammad was allegedly visited by an angel</b>	<b>Joseph Smith was allegedly visited by an angel</b>
<b>Muhammad was allegedly given revelations from God</b>	<b>Joseph Smith was allegedly given revelations from God</b>
<b>Claimed to be the only true religion</b>	<b>Claimed to be the only true religion</b>
<b>Has an allegedly inspired book</b>	<b>Has allegedly inspired writings</b>
<b>Claims its writings are the most perfect</b>	<b>Claims its writings are the most perfect</b>
<b>Used ideas from the Bible</b>	<b>Used ideas from the Bible</b>
<b>The Koran speaks highly of the Bible while contradicting it</b>	<b>Joseph Smith's writings speak highly of the Bible while contradicting it</b>
<b>Muhammad claimed to be persecuted because of pure faith</b>	<b>Joseph Smith claimed to be persecuted because of pure faith</b>
<b>Muhammad used religion to get land, power, wealth and women</b>	<b>Joseph Smith used religion to get land, power, wealth and women</b>
<b>Muhammad used religion to get multiple wives</b>	<b>Joseph Smith used religion to get multiple wives</b>
<b>So-called "on-going revelations" used to justify sinful actions</b>	<b>So-called "on-going revelations" used to justify sinful actions</b>

— This chart and many more Biblical resources like it can be found at [www.TheBibleDomain.com](http://www.TheBibleDomain.com)

# NEWS & NOTES

## Please Pray

**Inez Neyman**, recovering from broken hip and surgery, at rehab center in Senatobia; **Seth Daniel**, illness has returned; **Wiley & Betty Tuggle**; **Helen Bowman**.

**NetCasters**  
**Fishers of Men**  
**Far East Missions**

### Family & Friends

**Carla Carlson**, continues to receive cancer treatments, and reports have not been the best lately; **Patrick & Chantelle Swayne**, Chantelle may have had miscarriage and they have requested prayers; **Trent Childers**, another follow-up surgery complete and successful; **Tasha Higginbotham**, ongoing health problems, in need of kidney transplant; **Andrew Jones**, friend to Weslyn, battling cancer; **Jimmy Colvett**; **Jason Spencer**; **Joy Angel**; **John Smith**, Grace's brother-in-law, colon cancer; **Elizabeth Baker**; **John & Anita Simpson** and family; **Paul Perkins**, Mischel's father; **Janie Brister**; **Ray Hendrix**, lymphoma; **Carole Livsey**, Clifton's aunt, lymphoma;; **Amanda Cummings**, young mother with cancer; **Danielle Key**, young mother with cancer; **Ava Roten**, **Brett Rutherford**; **Frankie Burfield**, cancer; **Jack Higginbotham**; **James Cooper**, Jan's brother, cancer; **Marie Sims**; **Renee Loya**, Parkinson's, MS, & dystonia; **Eli Williams**; **Ray Maples**; **Martha Hatfield**, Lynn's grandmother, cancer; **Virginia Johnson**, lung cancer; **Mac Owen**; **Bob Spurlin**; **Ally Jo Kelly**; **Brad & Sheri Daniel**.

### Birthdays

2/2	Joyce Campbell
2/7	Abigail Wilkes
2/8	Leigh Anne Owen
2/12	Terry Bland
2/13	Tim Wilkes II
2/25	Betty Tuggle
2/27	Sherry Gaines

## Get Involved!

### **Host a Monthly Youth Devotional!**

Sign-up sheet on table in foyer.

### **Sunday Afternoon for the Savior — TODAY**

Between services

### **Youth Parents Meeting — TODAY**

Between services

### **Gathering at the Martins — TODAY — 5 PM**

Fun & fellowship; Super Bowl, board games, etc.

### **Providence Place Devo — Feb 8 — 2 PM**

### **Local Fishers of Men Classes — details inside**

### **Bible Bowl — Feb 21 — 4 PM**

At Thyatira, Genesis 46-48

## Privileged to Serve

### Sunday, February 1

#### Morning

Prayer Before Class	Jeffrey Ferrell
Announcements	Billy Bland
Song Leader	Jared Brown
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Jeremy Moore
	Joe Owen
Assist	Daniel Owen
	Dalton Owen
Opening Prayer	Jason Bayless
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Jerry Davis

#### Afternoon

Song Leader	Jared Brown
Opening Prayer	Chris Martin
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Joe Owen
	Daniel Owen
Closing Prayer	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.

### Wednesday, February 4

Song Leader	Jared Brown
Prayer	Andy Ratliff
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Jeffrey Ferrell