

# The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

Mar. 24, 2013



## STAY IN YOUR LANE

Many people on our highways often fail to reach their destination. Sometimes, they themselves, or a person driving another vehicle may carelessly veer into another lane, resulting in a terrible collision maybe even the death of an individual. Even though states continue to build bigger highways, with more lanes, this problem continues to exist. The only real solution to the problem is for each individual to be constantly aware of staying in their own lane.

In 1969 I was coaching football and track in West Texas. Most High School Tracks were designed with either eight or nine lanes. That year we had an excellent track athlete who excelled in the sprints, especially the 220 yard dash. At that time most tracks were designed in yards instead of meters. That year our athlete ran the 220 yard dash in the Regional Track Meet at Lubbock, Texas. In order for a student to be able to run at the State Meet later in Austin, Texas, he or she had to place either first or second in the Regional Meet. Our coaches were all excited when Tracy Dickson rounded the curve in second place and continued that position as the runners crossed the finish line. We were all elated thinking we would be in Austin the next week for the State Track Meet. Unfortunately, we were very shortly disappointed when it was announced that Tracy had been disqualified because he had...

*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

W. Timothy Wilkes, Sr.

Jim Jackson

### DEACONS

Jason Bayless Jared Brown

Jerry Davis Jeffrey Ferrell

Ron Johnson Andy Ratliff

### PREACHER

Clifton Angel



Larry Acuff



Tim Alsop



John Barcus



Michael Bates



Billy Bland



Tim Burroughs



Scott Cain



Dan Cates



B. J. Clarke



T. J. Clarke



Cindy Colley



Glenn Colley



Lee Davis



Jim Dearman



John DeBerry



Hugh Fulford



Eddy Gilpin



Jeanny Gilpin



Cliff Goodwin



Patrick Gray



Barry Grider



Celicia Grider



Patrick Harper



Tim Hayes



Tom Holland



Tom House

## FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL LECTURESHIP

MARCH 31 - APRIL 4, 2013

GENERAL THEME:

# "A NEW TESTAMENT CHRISTIAN"

## MEMPHIS SCHOOL OF PREACHING

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### SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2013

9:30-10:20 A.M. "Jesus Christ: The Object Of The Christian's Faith" ....David Sain  
 10:30-11:30 A.M. "Why I Am A Christian" .....Barry Grider  
 5:30-6:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 6:00-7:00 P.M. "Contends For The Faith" .....Paul Sain

### MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Daily Discipleship" .....Steven Ford  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Understands Restoration" .....Matthew Martin  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Forgives Without Grudging" .....Scott Cain  
 LADIES\*\* "Christian Woman: In The Home" (Women Only) .....Celicia Grider  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Can I Know I Am Saved?" .....Larry Acuff  
 CLASS\* "Supports World Missions" .....Ray W. Peters  
 LUNCH "Honors God In His Home" .....Kelvin Pugh  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Is A Serious Bible Student" (Women Only) .....Jane McWhorter  
 LADIES\*\* "Becomes God's Friend" .....Jonathan Jenkins  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. CLASS\* "Is A Joyful Person" .....Kyle Wadley  
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Lives A Pure Life" .....Michael Bates  
 4:15-6:30 P.M. APPRECIATION DINNER - BOBBY & JOAN LIDDELL  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00- 8:00 P.M. "Believes The Simple Plan Of Salvation" .....Dan Winkler

### TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Missionary Spirit" .....Josue Castorena  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Trusts The Grace Of God" .....Glenn Colley  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Worships In Spirit And In Truth" .....Cliff Goodwin  
 LADIES\*\* "Learns From Phoebe: How To Serve" (Women Only) .....Cindy Colley  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Guards His Tongue" .....Sam Willcutt  
 CLASS\* "Loves Young People" .....Brad McNutt  
 LUNCH "Respects The Authority Of Elders" .....Joe W. Nichols  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Christian Women: In the Workplace" (Women Only) .....Jeanny Gilpin  
 LADIES\*\* "Understands Prophecy" .....Billy Bland  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. "Has Been Baptized For The Remission Of Sins" .....Tim Alsop  
 CLASS\* SEMINAR FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS AND SUPPORTERS (MSOP CHAPEL)  
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Loves The Brotherhood" .....Eddy Gilpin  
 4:15-6:30 P.M. ALUMNI AND FRIENDS DINNER (FELLOWSHIP HALL)  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "The Church To Which A Christian Is Added" .....Tom Holland

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Plea" .....Kaleb Hall  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Trusts In The Blood Of Jesus" .....Tom House  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Believes In The Place Called Hell" .....Jim Dearman  
 LADIES\*\* "Learns From Dorcas: How To Be A Caregiver" (Women Only) .....Racine Wilder  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Is A Good Citizen" .....T. J. Clarke  
 CLASS\* "Cares For The Aged" .....Lee Davis  
 LUNCH "Makes' Other Christians" .....Patrick Gray  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Lessons From Lydia: Hospitality" (Women Only) .....Rhonda Jones  
 LADIES\*\* "Helps His Neighbor" .....Tim Burroughs  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. CLASS\* "Never Stops Growing" .....Patrick Harper  
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Works At His Marriage" .....Sam Jones  
 4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "Trusts The Word Of God" .....John DeBerry

### THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2013

8:30-8:50 A.M. CHAPEL: "The Church Of Christ Is Well And Alive Because Of Its Mission" .....William Abram  
 9:00-9:50 A.M. "Trusts In Prayer" .....John Barcus  
 10:00-10:50 A.M. "Knows How To Study The Bible" .....B. J. Clarke  
 LADIES\*\* "Learns From Mary And Martha: How To Be Spiritual" (Women Only) .....Tanya Silcox  
 11:00-11:50 A.M. "Believes In Reverence For God" .....Preston Silcox  
 CLASS\* "Accepts The Genesis Record" .....Dan Cates  
 LUNCH "Seeks To Be Balanced" .....David Lemmons  
 1:30-2:20 P.M. "Women In The Book Of Revelation" (Women Only) .....Irene Taylor  
 LADIES\*\* "Knows The Difference Between The Testaments" .....Neil Richey  
 2:30-3:20 P.M. CLASS\* "Is Humble" .....Tim Hayes  
 3:30-4:15 P.M. "Longs For Heaven" .....Hugh Fulford  
 4:15-6:30 P.M. INTERMISSION  
 6:30-7:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING  
 7:00-8:00 P.M. "Is Just Like Paul" .....Robert R. Taylor, Jr.

\* For all Classes meet in the School Building, Room 405  
 \*\* Ladies Classes meet in the FELLOWSHIP HALL.



Jonathan Jenkins



Rhonda Jones



Sam Jones



David Lemmons



Matthew Martin



Brad McNutt



Jane McWhorter



Joe Nichols



Ray W. Peters



Kelvin Pugh



Neil Richey



David Sain



Paul Sain



Preston Silcox



Tanya Silcox



Irene Taylor



Robert R. Taylor, Jr.



Kyle Wadley



Racine Wilder



Sam Willcutt



Dan Winkler



...accidentally stepped across the line and into the other lane as he was rounding the curve.

In Numbers Chapter twenty, Moses asked the leaders of Edom to allow the Israelites to pass through their territory. Moses was... leading the nation of Israel from Egypt to the land of Canaan, the land God had promised Israel for an inheritance years ago. As Moses talked to those leaders of Edom he promised that Israel would not veer off the road either to the left or right but would stay on the Kings Highway. Unfortunately, Edom, as did other countries, refused to allow God's children to pass through their land.

Many people take off on trips without a map because they received directions from some friend and assume they have been told the right way. Today most people have access to a G.P.S. and refuse to listen to anyone else, because they again assume the G.P.S. cannot make a mistake, and therefore, will certainly take us to our desired destination. Unfortunately, sometimes our friends or our G.P.S. may give us the wrong advice. We end up on the wrong road. Proverb s 14:12 says,” There is a way that seems right to man, but the end therefore is death.

In Matthew 7:13-14, Jesus tells us to travel the narrow road that will lead us to eternal life in Heaven. He also warns us to stay in our lane. The other road may be larger and appear to be better, but to veer off our road into the other could be eternal disaster. Therefore, consult your map, the Bible, find the way, and stay in your lane.

**-written by Bill Laird**

### *Sermon Review*

#### **The Presence of Evil**

(Matthew 8:28–34)

- I. DRAW OUT
- II. TAKE IN

#### **When Paul was Ready**

(2 Cor 12:14; Rom 1:15; Acts 21:13)

- I. I am ready to Serve Sacrificially
- II. I am ready to Preach Powerfully
- III. I am ready to Die Doubtlessly

*Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life*

Proverbs 4:23

# NEWS & NOTES

## Please Pray

**Betty Culbreath**, sty in her eye, but she is improving as the pain has gone away; Brown & Hunt families, in loss of Jared's uncle, Bud Hunt; **Wiley & Betty; Sue Cobern; Helen Bowman**  
Tim Wilkes, II & family, traveling.

**OpenDoor Ministry**  
**Fishers of Men**  
**Far East Missions**

### Family & Friends

**Greg Myers**, Krystal's father, received a good report following his back surgery; **Noah Judd**, premature newborn of friends of Brown's; **Kenneth Webb**, Krystal's grandfather, melanoma, has been given 6-9 months to live ; **Carly Wright**, 3 yr. old with stage 3 cancer in liver area, inoperable, receiving chemo; **John Simpson and family; Joe & Josephine Johnston**, Christian residents at Providence Place, they have also requested prayers for their sons, Charles and Chris; **Nicholas Franks; Frederick Bland; Barbara Denton**, friend of Molly, stage 3 cervical cancer. **Brigman Family; Janice Jenkins**, co-worker to Beverly Hayes, rare form of cancer. **Carla Carlson** and her battle with cancer; **Matthew Canada; Wes**, brother of Deb Peeler, cancer; **Doris Easley; Curtis A. Cates; Eli Williams; Ray Maples; Wayne Collinsworth; Andrew Hagewood; Janie Brister; Chuck Tharp; Renee Loya; Aubree Harris; Virginia Mayfield; Peyton Harville; Bob Spurlin; David Bragg.**

### March Birthdays

3/9	Ginger Bayless
3/9	Janice Daniel
3/14	Brianna Davis
3/18	Betty Duke
3/21	Ella Brown
3/24	Johnny Bayless
3/29	Payton Jackson
3/30	Joe Davis
3/30	Beau Davis
3/31	Beverly Hayes

## Get Involved!

**Wednesday Night Singing -- March 27**

**Egg Hunt -- March 31 -- Between Services**  
Each child bring a dozen stuffed eggs

**47<sup>th</sup> Annual Lectureship at  
Memphis School of Preaching**

March 31 – April 4

All invited! See Schedule on previous page

**Sunday Afternoon for the Savior -- April 7**

**Providence Place Devo -- April 14 -- 2PM**

**Camping -- April 26**

## Privileged to Serve

### Sunday, March 24

#### Morning

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

#### Afternoon

Song Leader	Jared Brown
Opening Prayer	Andy Ratliff
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Joe Owen
	Dalton Owen
Closing Prayer	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.

### Wednesday, March 27

Song Leader	Jared Brown
Prayer	Billy Bland
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Jim Jackson