

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

May 20, 2012



THE OTHER SIDE

by Wayne Brewer

Jesus told of a man that was going from Jerusalem to Jericho and *“fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead” (Luke 10:30)*. There were three people that came upon him and saw him in this helpless condition; a priest, a Levite and a Samaritan. Of the priest and the Levite Jesus said that they both saw the man lying beaten and injured, but that they *“passed by on the other side” (Luke 10:32-33)*. The phrase *“passed by on the other side”* simply means that they did nothing. Those most expected to help did nothing while the Samaritan that passed by *“had compassion...and took care of him” (Luke 10:33, 34)*.

There is no doubt that the priest and the Levite were very religious men and in the context of the performing their religious duties they would have helped this man. They might have even led the way in organizing a group of other people to go out there and pick up the man, some hours later, and take him to the inn, some hours later, and provide food and medicine, some hours later. However,...

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

5:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes for all ages & Pew Packers on 1st & 3rd Sundays at 4:15 p.m.

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...the “some hours later” would have been way too late. They as individuals did not act when they had the opportunity. There are many times when Christians pass by on the other side and do not take personally their responsibility to act.

God has given parents the first responsibility to teach, train and bring their children up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord (*Ephesians 6:4*), but how many parents expect the Bible classes or the Bible class teacher to provide the majority of the Bible teaching? Parents can purchase Bibles and Bible study material apart from that which the church would purchase to study at home with their children. Parents can assign Bible reading and memorization of Bible verses at home apart from that which might be given them in their Sunday or Wednesday Bible class. Parents can purchase extra Bible study helps such as Bible Dictionaries, Concordances, Computer Programs, etc., for their children apart from that which the church would do. Parents can have devotionals with their own children in their own homes in addition to the Teen Sings and Youth Devotionals that are held on various Sunday evenings. Parents can live righteously before their children and not expect that it be left up to the Elders, Preachers, Deacons or Bible class teachers.

Parents are you passing by on the other side regarding your children or are you actively involved in the lives and spiritual lives of your children? The priest and the Levite passed by either because they did not take their personal responsibility seriously or because they just did not care. Do not pass by on the other side, but take an active part in the spiritual training of your children. Help them “*take up the whole armor of God*” (*Ephesians 6:13*) that they may be able “*to stand*”.

Mark Your Calendars!

Coldwater Trade Days	June 9
Coldwater VBS	June 10 - 14
Sardis Lake Christian Camp	June 17 - 23

Announcement from the Elders:

For the month of May, our PM services will be held at 1 PM every Sunday. May will be a “trial” month for this new schedule. The elders are seeking honest and *kind* feedback for this potential schedule change.

This Week's Daily Bible Reading:

Sunday:	2 Chronicles 35-36
Monday:	Ezra 1-3
Tuesday:	Ezra 4-7
Wednesday:	Ezra 8-10
Thursday:	Nehemiah 1-3
Friday:	Nehemiah 4-6
Saturday:	Nehemiah 7

Sermon Review

The Mother of Jesus

- I. ...was **Longed For**.
- II. ...was **Lowly**.
- III. ...was **Loving**.

Unscriptural Songs

(2 John 9; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16)

- I. “*Jesus is Coming Soon*”
- II. “*Just a Little Talk with Jesus*”

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Wiley Tuggle, Betty Tuggle; Nora Boling; Herbert & Helen Bowman; Sue Cobern; Shirley Yarbro;

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

Family & Friends

Franklin Taylor, friend of Daniel's, has cancer. **Emily Smith**, Ginger's co-worker, had surgery Friday to remove a large brain tumor. **Charles Easley**, Molly's grandfather, is in hospice care and is not doing well. **Gloria Angel**, Clifton's grandmother, has been in hospital with multiple problems--her gall bladder was removed successfully Thursday, but she currently remains in the hospital. **Andrew Hagewood**, infant that has already had a heart transplant, is improving slowly. **Mary Brett Baird**, 8-year-old child experiencing multiple health issues. **Chuck Tharp**, prostate cancer. **Eli Williams**, and his battle with cancer. **Wes**, brother of Deb Peeler; **Ray Maples; Wayne Collinworth; Sheena Hunt; Terry DeBerry; Nicole Blagburn; Gary Daugherty; Janie Brister; Renee Loya; Lavon Holden; Aubree Harris; Virginia Mayfield; Peyton Harville; Bob Spurlin; David Bragg.**

May Birthdays

5/6 -- Dylan Moore
5/7 -- Rebecca Brown
5/15 -- Andy Ratliff
5/22 -- Brisa Davis
5/24 -- Anna Johnson
5/25 -- Davis Johnson

May Anniversaries

5/15 -- Jason & Ginger Bayless
5/17 -- Joe & Leigh Ann Owen
5/19 -- Seth & Jan Daniel
5/22 -- Troy & Sue Cobern
5/23 -- Johnny & Stephanie Bayless
5/24 -- Bill & Claire Easley
5/26 -- Jimmy & Virginia Sowell
5/31 -- Billy & Terry Bland

Get Involved!

Daily Bible Reading Calendar 2012

Let's continue to read and study together!!

New Schedule "Trial" Month -- May

PM services at 1PM every Sunday
Organized luncheons following AM services.
See bulletin board for what to bring.

Movie Night at Tim & Lynn's -- May 25

Children Swimming at 6PM; Movie at 7:30PM
Sign-up Sheet for Potluck Meal

Independence Gospel Meeting -- June 3 - 7

Guest Preacher: Steve Ferguson
See flyer on Bulletin Board

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, May 20

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Joe Owen
Announcements	Andy Ratliff
Song Leader	Caleb Baker
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Jason Bayless
	Jeffrey Ferrell
Assist	Jerry Davis
	Ron Johnson
Opening Prayer	Jared Brown
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.

Evening

Song Leader	Caleb Baker
Opening Prayer	Seth Daniel
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Ron Johnson
	Jeffrey Ferrell
	Jerry Davis
Closing Prayer	

Wednesday, May 23

Song Leader	Caleb Baker
Prayer	Andy Ratliff
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Ron Johnson