

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST June 9, 2019



NOTE: In view of VBS, there will be NO fellowship lunch, 1 PM service, or Providence Place Devo, today.

**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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Billy Bland

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DEACONS

Jason Bayless Jerry Davis

Jeffrey Ferrell Chris Martin

Joe Owen Andy Ratliff

Tim Wilkes, II John Wofford

PREACHER

Clifton Angel



**June 9-13, 6:30 nightly
classes for all ages**

Adult Bible Class Teachers

Sunday, June 9

Bruce Hatcher

Cordova

Monday, June 10

Dan Cates

Independence

Tuesday, June 11

Robert Jefferies

Southaven

Wednesday, June 12

Luao Soli, Jr.

MSOP

Thursday, June 13

Ed Casteel

Central Academy

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

Jesus Loves The Little Children

Written by David Dixon

My kids love to sing the song "Jesus loves the little children." I think they put themselves into the song. They picture Jesus loving, hugging, holding, and playing with them. It is a scene described in Scripture (Mark 10:13-16) so it should not be difficult for us to imagine. Maybe as adults we need to be reminded to do the same thing. When Jesus instructs us to become like little children in order to inherit the kingdom of God (Mat. 18:3-4; 19:14; Mark 10:14-15; Luke 18:16-17), it should be an instruction that we view as simple, calming, and reassuring. When we sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" we should be singing about ourselves!

Being child-like spiritually does not mean being naive, immature, or uneducated. It does not mean running away from problems hoping someone else will deal with them for us. But being as gentle and innocent as a child does mean being a peacemaker (Mat. 5:9). Social drama is often associated with teenage girls. Gossip, bullying, lying, and judging are social conflicts from which we need to devolve. I mean, we need to go back to the time in our minds when we cared nothing for such behavior, to the time before we were teenagers, to the time when we were little children. Some people seem to thrive on the conflict of social drama, keeping their ears glued to the grapevine. It must give them some sort of emotional rush to know they are inflicting pain and turmoil in another person's soul. But becoming a child of God means adopting a spirit that would rather heal old wounds between rivals than create new ones.

Being a little child in the eyes of God means being wholly converted (Mat. 18:3). My children are still afraid of the dark. They will run from it (or through it, if necessary) in order to get to the place where the light illuminates their ...

... surroundings. They still desire to be where a parent is present for their protection. Similarly, we must whole-heartedly turn from the darkness of sin and seek the light of God's love. A child is not inquisitive about what lies in the darkness when he is afraid of it. He clings as tightly as his little arms can cling to the one who protects him from the unknown forces. As adults we have nothing to fear from the unknown, but we need that child-like desire to be as close as possible to our Heavenly Father.

Being like a child also means being least (Luke 9:48). Children do not set their own bed times, their own diets, or their own wardrobe. They cannot provide for their own transportation or arrange for their own healthcare. They are totally dependent upon their parents. Surely no child thinks he is better than his own parents. Pride and an inflated sense of self-importance are vile personality traits in anyone, most of all a child. In the same way, Christians are to esteem others better than themselves (Phi. 2:3). We are to seek ways to serve others, not to be served (Gal. 5:13). When we do this, Jesus said we shall be great in the kingdom.

The next time you sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children," I hope you know that means you!

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NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Clarence & Faye Edwards, Clarence has had some vertigo issues lately, sister Faye cares for him and her sister full time. **Wiley Tuggle**; **Timothy Wilkes, Sr.**; **Inez Neyman**, in rehab; **Ginna Honeycutt**; **Seth Daniel**; **Sarah Norris**; **Sammy Williams**; **Elizabeth Baker**.

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Family & Friends

Doris Wilkes family, Tim Sr.'s grandmother passed Wednesday morning; **Junior Williams**, Sammy's brother; **Dominic Rosado**, Monica's uncle; **Larry Scruggs**, broken jaw from ladder accident; **Phillip Vanwinkle**, young preacher with stage 4 cancer; **Iris Casteel**, improving following heart bypass surgery; **Don & Sheri Blackwell and family**, rehab at Shepherd's Center; **Tabby Jenkins and her family**, continue in need of our prayers; **Lloyd Fleming**; **Katie Coburn**; **Darrell Martin**.

Birthdays

6/3	Amanda Ferrell	6/13	Melaney Ferrell
6/6	Betty Culbreath	6/18	Grace Williams
6/6	Bodie Meredith	6/21	Tim Meredith

Anniversaries

6/3	Clarence & Faye Edwards
6/3	Carl & Ginna Honeycutt
6/4	Larry & Joyce Campbell
6/5	Andy & Molly Ratliff
6/20	Carl & Mary Zluticky
6/26	Jeffrey & Amanda Ferrell
6/28	Jim & Mischel Jackson

Get Involved!

Providence Place Devo: CANCELLED

Lord willing, we will resume in July

Coldwater VBS: June 9 – 13

SLCC: June 16 – 22, Register ASAP!

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Sen. Health & Rehab Devo: June 26, 10 AM

Coldwater Singing Night: June 26, 7 PM

5th Sunday Service: June 30, 1 PM

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, June 9

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Jim Jackson
Announcements	Jason Bayless
Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Russell Wadsworth
Assist	Andy Acklin John Wofford Noah Davis Chris Martin Clifton Angel Tim Meredith
Opening Prayer	
Sermon	
Closing Prayer	

Afternoon

Song Leader	
Opening Prayer	
Sermon	
Lord's Supper	

Closing Prayer

Wednesday, June 12

Song Leader	
Prayer	
Invitation	
Prayer	

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TECH:

Davis Johnson