

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST July 21, 2019



SERVING IN THE BODY OF CHRIST

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Jesus said that he came to serve and not be served (Matthew 20:28) and in doing so became an example for all Christians to follow (1 Peter 2:21). The Holy Spirit guided Paul to write several times that the church that Jesus established is the body of Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23, Romans 12:4-5, 1 Corinthians 12:12) and the place where Christians are to serve is in the body of Christ which is the church that Jesus established on the day of ...

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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established on the day of Pentecost in Jerusalem (Acts 2). Christians are to do good unto all men (Galatians 6:10) and so can serve others through helping friends and neighbors and even serving in organizations that are not the church. However, the primary area of service for Christians is in and through the body of Christ.

The area of service for Christians is in the body of Christ and according to their abilities and talents (1 Corinthians 12:13-20). Every Christian has an ability and talent whereby one can serve in the church and be of service the Lord. The question becomes; Am I willing to serve? Jesus said "The greatest among you will be your servant" (Mathew 23:11) and Peter wrote that each Christian should serve according to their ability (1 Peter 4:10). The question becomes; Am I willing to serve? Service was not easy for Jesus as he left heaven and came to the earth (Philippians 2:6-7), and service was not each for any of the Apostles or brethren, but they served. Service for them meant leaving the comforts that they knew in order to serve.

Leaving comforts that we knows does not mean that one must travel hundreds or thousands of miles away to be a servant, but it does mean that we will do something different, we will serve. Maybe you

have never been a greeter and welcome brethren and guests to the church building, but there can be a first time to serve. Maybe you as a male member of the congregation have never said a prayer publicly, but there is always a first time. Maybe you have not prepared communion for the Sunday worship, but there can be a first time to serve in that way. Maybe you have never been the last person to leave the church building, the one to check that all doors are locked, lights turned off, and no one left behind, but there can be a first time to serve in that way. Serving the Lord and others means having a heart to help others and do something that needs to be done even if you have never done it. Seize the opportunity to serve in the body of Christ.

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NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Kevin, Janice, Jeanna, & Clifton Panama mission trip upcoming; **Others** traveling; **Terry Davis; Timothy Wilkes, Sr.; Clarence & Faye Edwards, Wiley Tuggle; Inez Neyman; Ginna Honeycutt; Seth Daniel; Sarah Norris; Sammy Williams; Elizabeth Baker.**

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Family & Friends

Vicki Angel, Clifton's mom, small spot of breast cancer, surgery/treatment to be determined; **Paul Perkins**, Mischel's dad, recent heart surgery; **Joy Angel**, Clifton's sister, health and family problems; **Noel Daniel**, Seth's brother, recent stroke; **Lottie McMahan family; Larry Scruggs; Phillip Vanwinkle; Iris Casteel; Don & Sheri Blackwell and family**, rehab at Shepherd's Center; **Tabby Jenkins and her family**, continue in need of our prayers.

Birthdays

7/2	Noah Davis	7/7	Aemon Ratliff
7/3	Ruth Brister	7/9	Olivia Wofford
7/3	Marc Strickland	7/13	Seth Daniel
7/4	Inez Neyman	7/14	Jason Bayless
7/4	Jimmy Sowell	7/31	Porter Ferrell
7/6	Cali Bayless		

Anniversaries

7/3	Sammy & Grace Williams
7/11	Chris & Billie Martin
7/14	Clifton & Lara Angel
7/23	Tyler & Katherine King
7/26	Michael & Terri Sykes

Get Involved!

Panama Mission: July 19 – 26

POWER Lectures: July 21 – 25

Crockett VBS & Gospel Meeting: Jul 22 – 25
See flyer on bulletin board for details

Thyatira VBS: July 27

Coldwater Singing Night: July 31, 7 PM
5th Wednesday, get song requests to Clifton

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, July 21

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Jim Jackson
Announcements	Tim Wilkes, II
Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Russell Wadsworth
	Marc Strickland
Assist	Carl Honeycutt
	Jeffrey Ferrell
Opening Prayer	Jason Bayless
Sermon	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.
Closing Prayer	Tim Meredith

Afternoon

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Opening Prayer	Billy Bland
Sermon	Tim Wilkes, II
Lord's Supper	Jeffrey Ferrell
	Marc Strickland
Closing Prayer	John Wofford

Wednesday, July 24

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Prayer	Tim Wilkes, II
Invitation	Noah Davis
Prayer	Joe Owen

TECH:	John Wofford
HALL:	Marc & Ashley Strickland