

# The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST August 22, 2021



"God is light, and in him is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5). To His disciples, Jesus said:

Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a lamp, and put it under the bushel, but on the stand; and it shineth unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that

*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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### ELDERS

Billy Bland

Jim Jackson

### DEACONS

Jason Bayless

Jerry Davis

Jeffrey Ferrell

Joe Owen

Andy Ratliff

Tim Wilkes, II

John Wofford

### PREACHER

Clifton Angel

that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven (Matthew 5:14-16).

Today, when we think about light, a number of man-made products come to mind. Thinking about such products, there are two types of light we need to avoid being, as Christians.

The first is UV (ultraviolet) light—often called black light. We do not actually see its light. Rather, we see the reflection of the light on an object that contains phosphorus. UV light is used in automotive HVAC to detect leaks in the system. It is used by crime scene investigators to detect blood and other bodily fluids. Therefore, it is often used to detect a fault or a contamination. While our Christian light will reveal the error of the ungodly, it should not be our sole purpose to magnify others' faults.

The second is neon light. Neon lights have long been used for display, show, and attraction. These lights draw attention to themselves, and are not used to actually see the way or path. While

others are to see our Christian lights, we do not let them shine to draw attention to ourselves. Rather, we let our lights shine to draw attention to our God.

Jesus used two illustrations in Matthew 5:14-16. He used a city on a hill. It is up high and cannot be missed. Furthermore, he used an oil lamp (similar to our title image) placed on the one stand in a one-lamp house. Christians are the only light this world has. Yes, Christ is the light of the world (John 8:12; 9:5), but He has chosen to use His followers to show His light (Matthew 5:14-16). We are not merely reflections of His light, but the fixtures that house His light so that all the world can see. Let us make sure we are not UV lights, only seeking to find fault and contamination in others, nor neon lights, drawing attention to ourselves, but Christian lights. To God be the glory.

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### **Mark Your Calendars:**

Collierville Gospel Meeting, Keith Cozort preaching	Aug 29 - Sep 1
Door Knocking Day	October 2
Trade Days Booth	October 9
Coldwater Gospel Meeting, Tim Hayes preaching	October 10 - 13

# NEWS & NOTES

## Please Pray

**Grace & Sammy Williams**, Sammy received a pacemaker Thursday; **Ratliff & Easley** families, in quarantine, doing okay; **Ginger Bayless**, physical therapy for torn ACL; **Mitchell & Mary Alice Arnold**; **Wiley Tuggle**; **Hannah Davis**; **Noah Davis**; **Clarence & Faye Edwards**

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

## Family & Friends

**Jimmy Bland family**, Billy's brother, passed Thursday night, funeral was Saturday; **Larry Yarber**; **Peggy Ward**, Billy's cousin; **Sherry Gaines**; **Allie Tidwell family**; **Jason Till family**; **Phillip Patton family**; **Perry Mansel**, **Bob Mansel**, **Bill Mansel**, & **Robbie Weaver**, Dana's cousins, all have cancer; **Bailey Raines family**.

## Birthdays

8/4	Terry Davis	8/18	Carl Honeycutt
8/6	Monica Meredith	8/25	Addi Bayless
8/9	Xander Cagle	8/26	Jim Jackson
8/14	Lily Wilkes	8/28	Jerry Davis
8/15	Carolyn Davis	8/30	Hannah Davis
8/16	Clifton Angel	8/31	Kara Strickland
8/17	Dana Davis		

## Anniversaries

8/1	Terry & Dana Davis
8/1	John & Suzanne Wofford
8/6	Tim & Rachel Wilkes
8/17	Tim & Monica Meredith

## Get Involved!

**Men's Leadership Class: Temp. Postponed**

**Coldwater Singing Night: Aug 25, 7 PM**  
Song-leaders, give song selections to Clifton

**Coldwater Youth Devo: Aug 27, 6 PM**  
Mary Z. hosting at Williams' home in Sardis  
Sign-up sheet on table in foyer

**5th Sunday Service: Aug 29, 1 PM**  
Also, contribution proceeds beyond budget go directly to building fund on fifth Sundays

## Privileged to Serve

Sunday, August 22

### Morning

Prayer Before Class	Billy Bland
Announcements	Jim Jackson
Song Leader	Tim Wilkes II
Opening Prayer	Kevin Dixon
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Jeffrey Ferrell
	Marc Strickland
	John Wofford
	Tim Meredith
	Jerry Davis

### Afternoon

Song Leader	Tim Wilkes II
Opening Prayer	Jason Bayless
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Jeffrey Ferrell
Closing Prayer	Dalton Owen

Wednesday, August 25

Song Leader	Tim Wilkes II
Prayer	Jim Jackson
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Billy Bland

TECH:	Davis Johnson
HALL:	