

# The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST August 29, 2021



A child once asked me: "How does the devil get inside of you?" I was certain to point out that the devil does not have magical powers to literally take control of you or get inside of you, like we may see on TV or in video games. However, he is methodical and tricky (Ephesians 6:11), he is a lying, murdering enemy (John 8:44; 1 Peter 5:8), and he is trying to destroy us (1 Peter 5:8). I pointed out that he primarily gets inside of us through our eyes (the things we see, watch, or read) and our ears (the things we listen to and hear). James said, "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you" (James 4:7). One very powerful method of resisting him is that of prayer.

We sometimes sing a song during Vacation Bible School...

*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 goes like this: "Oh, be careful little eyes what you see. Oh, be careful little eyes what you see. For, the Father up above is looking down in love. So, be careful little eyes what you see." The song repeats the same teaching concerning what our ears hear, what our mouths say, what our hands touch, and where our feet go. If only adults and children alike would adhere to the song's teachings! What does this have to do with prayer? Everything. You see, when we take a posture of prayer similar to that so often taught to children, it will help us obey the song's teachings and resist the devil.

We are not commanded a particular posture in prayer to our Father; however, a traditional posture taught to children is quite interesting. Children are taught to kneel on their knees, clasp their hands together, bow their heads, close their eyes, and talk to God. Think about this posture in relation to the song above. If I am kneeling on my knees, I cannot run swiftly to a place where evil abides. If am clasping my hands, I cannot be quick to touch that which incites the lusts of the flesh. If my eyes are closed, I force myself to refuse all sights of wickedness. If I'm talking to God, my mouth is being used for pure purposes, and my ears only hear spotless sounds.

Prayer is one of the most powerful weapons we have against Satan. So often, we look at the armor of God of Ephesians 6:10-17 and we leave off verse 18. According to verse 18, Paul said "Praying always with all prayer and supplication." Our ability in this spiritual warfare will wane if we do not beseech our Father in prayer. However, in the "Sweet Hour of Prayer," we can "resist the devil" so that he will "flee from" us.

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### **Mark Your Calendars:**

Door Knocking Day	October 2
Trade Days Booth	October 9
Coldwater Gospel Meeting, Tim Hayes preaching	October 10 - 13

# 5th Sunday Service

August 29, 2021, 1:00 PM

Clifton Angel	“Teach Me Lord to Wait”	“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
Davis Johnson	Lamentations 3:21–24	
John Wofford	Opening Prayer	
Jeffrey Ferrell	“Awesome God”	“Thank You, Lord”
Dalton Owen	Lamentations 3:25–26	
Tim Wilkes, II	“Unto Thee, O Lord”	“The Stedfast Love of the Lord”
Clifton Angel	DEVOTIONAL	
Tim Wilkes, II		“Do You Know My Jesus?”
Tim Meredith	Lord’s Supper	
Jerry Davis	Closing Prayer	

# NEWS & NOTES

## Please Pray

**Andy Ratliff**, having some rough days with covid, other family members doing okay; **Grace & Sammy Williams**; **Ginger Bayless**, physical therapy for torn ACL; **Mitchell & Mary Alice Arnold**; **Wiley Tuggle**; **Hannah Davis**; **Noah Davis**; **Clarence & Faye Edwards**

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## Family & Friends

**Ray Maples family**, Ray passed Thursday; **Lincoln Hawkins family**, Payton's classmate in high school, died from heat stroke; **Peggy Ward family**, Billy's cousin, she passed Wednesday; **Teah McWhorter & April Meacham**, covid complications; **Vicki Harman**, Clifton's mom, recovering from minor surgery; **Josh Cox**, Dana's relative, severe covid complications, has improved some; **Randy Williams**, Faye's cousin's husband, open heart surgery Sep 3; **Jimmy Bland family**; **Larry Yarber family**, he passed last Sunday; **Sherry Gaines**.

## 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!

### **5th Sunday Service: Aug 29, 1 PM**

Also, contribution proceeds beyond budget go directly to building fund on fifth Sundays

### **Collierville Gospel Meeting: Aug 29 – Sep 1**

Keith Cozort preaching  
Flyer/brochure on bulletin board

**See bulletin board for updates  
from those we support**

## Privileged to Serve

### Sunday, August 29

#### Morning

Prayer Before Class	Jeffrey Ferrell
Announcements	Billy Bland
Song Leader	Jason Bayless
Opening Prayer	Kevin Dixon
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Tim Meredith
	Tim Wilkes II
Assist	Bodie Meredith
	Mika Meredith
	Jim Jackson
Closing Prayer	

#### Afternoon

Song Leader	Jason Bayless
Opening Prayer	John Wofford
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Tim Meredith
Closing Prayer	Jerry Davis

### Wednesday, September 1

Song Leader	Jason Bayless
Prayer	Billy Bland
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Tim Wilkes II

TECH:	Davis Johnson
HALL:	