

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST Dec. 27, 2020



G.I.F.T.

Written by Clifton Angel

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

James 1:17

James reminds us that it is God who knows best what we need, and He gives the best gifts. Furthermore, He reminds us that the God of Heaven does not change. As is said of Jesus, Who

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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PREACHER

Clifton Angel

is God, He is "the same yesterday, and today, and forever" (Heb. 13:8). As our minds are on gifts, and it remains that God is the best gift-giver and unchanging, let us use the word "gift" to be reminded about our God. G.I.F.T. – God. Is. Faithful. & True.

God is Faithful. Paul wrote to the church at Corinth,

"God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord."

1 Corinthians 1:9

Corinth was equipped with everything they needed to be spiritually mature. Likewise, He has equipped the church with everything we need to be spiritually mature. Let us be reminded:

- (1) He created us (Genesis 1:26–27),*
- (2) He has called us (1 Corinthians 1:9),*
- (3) He will cleanse us if we will obey Him ("the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ"), and*
- (4) He will care for us (equip us with every thing we need to worship Him, practice the truth, and teach the truth).*

God is True. John the Immerser preached of Jesus,

"He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true."

John 3:33

God is true, whether we believe Jesus or not, but those who believe Him are further testimony to Him being the true Son of God with the true Message of God. Therefore, there is the responsibility to live as true disciples—to live in such a way that others say: "That person is a child of God."

The greatest gift God has given is that of His Son.

"The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Romans 6:23

Have you accepted that gift? We cannot say we have accepted His gift yet refuse to obey Him. As the song goes,

"Time is filled with swift transition, Naught of earth unmoved can stand, Build your hopes on things eternal, Hold to God's unchanging hand."

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Leigh Owen, back surgery scheduled for Tuesday; **Marc & Ashley Strickland**, recovering from coronavirus; **Wiley Tuggle**; **Clarence & Faye Edwards**; **Sammy Williams**; **Inez Neyman**.

Far East Missions
Fishers of Men
NetCasters

Family & Friends

Eugene Payne family; **Rick Fiorino family**, Dana's friend passed recently; **Clara Cooper family**, Jan's sister-in-law passed; **Michael Sykes**, Terri's husband, heart problems; **Tracy Medley**, Teresa's brother; **Ancel Norris**, Teresa's uncle, cancer treatments; **Richard Neal family**; **Alston Mottley family**; **Belva Collums**, in rehab following surgery.

Birthdays

12/6 Sammy Williams
12/13 Michael Sykes
12/17 Kaiden Ferrell
12/22 Dalton Owen
12/24 Daniel Owen
12/30 Renee Davis

Anniversaries

12/13 Jerry & Renee Davis

Get Involved!

Bible Class Teachers for 2021
1st quarter filled: Thank you, teachers!
See Jeffrey to sign up for other quarters

ONLY ASSEMBLING
for Sunday AM Worship
Until January 10

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, December 27

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Billy Bland
Announcements	Tim Wilkes II
Song Leader	Noah Davis
Opening Prayer	Jason Bayless
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Joe Owen
Assist	

Closing Prayer	Jerry Davis
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Afternoon

Song Leader	P
Opening Prayer	O
Sermon	S
Lord's Supper	T

Closing Prayer	P
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Wednesday, December 30

Song Leader	O
Prayer	N
Invitation	E
Prayer	D

TECH:
HALL: