



MONTICELLO

CHURCH OF CHRIST

As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men—Galatians 6:10

WHAT IS THE “ONE HOPE” IN EPHESIANS 4:4?

Garland M. Robinson

Without hope, one is miserable. Suicide is primarily caused by people seeing no hope for a bright future. The Bible says there is only ONE HOPE! Hope is defined as to anticipate, expectation, trust, fully expect. It is not a blind hope or wish. It is real. We fully expect to receive God's promises, for he is faithful (Hebrews 1:13; 10:23).

Hope is the desire and expectation of the unseen (Philippians 3:12-14; Romans 8:24-25). There are several things the Bible mentions we hope for: the resurrection of the dead (Acts 24:15), the Savior to come from heaven (Titus 2:13), the hope and glory laid up for us in heaven (Colossians 1:5,27), life beyond death (1 Corinthians 15:19), salvation (1 Thessalonians 5:8), eternal life (Titus 3:7), an entrance into the everlasting kingdom (2 Peter 1:11). We also hope in the Lord's mercy (Psalm 33:18).

The one hope is based in God (1 Peter 1:21), Christ (1 Timothy 1:1), and the Gospel (Colossians 1:23). Therefore, the wicked have no hope. Before one becomes a Christian, there is no hope (Ephesians 2:12). But for the righteous, there is hope (Proverbs 10:28). Jesus said, whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die (John 11:26). But he also said, why call ye me Lord, Lord and do not the things which I say (Luke 6:46)? Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6), but only to those who OBEY him (Matthew 7:21). Those are the only ones who have hope. Sinners must: Believe (John 8:24), Repent (Acts 2:28), Confess Christ (Romans 10:10), and be Baptized (Mark 16:16) to be saved and have the one hope of heaven. Erring Christians must repent and pray (Acts 8:22-24; James 5:16).

Hope is the anchor of the soul that is both sure and steadfast (Hebrews 6:12). But it will only be realized AFTER Jesus returns to the earth, at which time he will separate the wicked from the righteous (Matthew 25:31-46). And we desire that every one of you does shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end: that ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises (Hebrews 6:11). Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come (Matthew 24:42).

An article from the DAILY CORINTHIAN (Corinth, MS)



JUNE 5-7

Memory Verse

The Lord your God will clear away these nations before you little by little. You may not make an end of them at once, lest the wild beasts grow too numerous for you.

Deuteronomy 7:22 (ESV)

April 16, 2023

ELDERS

Mike Beard

Larry Fisackerly

Joe Moore

DEACONS

Marty Baker

Chris Bryant

Ray Linder

Jason Meier

Jeff Newton

Joshua Pettigrew

Kerry Rice

Jeremy Wilson

MINISTERS

Pulpit Minister

Josh Walker

Campus Minister

Brad Tolbert

Meeting Times

Bible Study 9:30 AM

Assembly 10:30 AM

Assembly 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 6:30 PM

ATTENDANCE

Bible Class 102

Sunday AM Worship... 164

Sunday PM Worship ..N/A

Wed. Evening 74

Budget \$5,810

Contribution \$5,010

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYERS

- ◇ Sue Woodard is struggling with double pneumonia
- ◇ Cheryl Shirey is at Drew Memorial doing rehab and dealing with pneumonia
- ◇ Mike Beard is home recovering from surgery
- ◇ Rita Stiles is in the hospital and is in need of prayers
- ◇ Gabby Tucker (Fern Baker's friend) is on bed rest with pregnancy
- ◇ Chasidy Whitney (friend of Ruby Baker) is having heart surgery.
- ◇ Margaret & Roger Harris are in need of prayers.
- ◇ Benita Flemister fell and broke her wrist
- ◇ Larry Flemister is in the hospital
- ◇ Linda Bates' is now at home with her niece but still in need of prayers
- ◇ Benita Forrest continues to have issues with ulcers
- ◇ Candace Carter will have tests in April.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Jean Enlow Betty McGuire Pat Turner Marie Wooten
 Lyndell Baker Judy Purvis Laverne Potter



CONGRATULATIONS to Ainsley Barnett and the MHS Mixed Choir for receiving Division 1 recognition at the State Competition!



GRADUATION SUNDAY is May 21st. If there is a relative that is graduating this year and you would like to : Name, Relation, High School, and City & State.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS TODAY

Sign up sheets for VBS are in the foyer

THIS WEEK

THIS MONTH

Teen's Movie Night - TBD

MAY

Mother's Day - 14th
 Graduation Sunday - 21st

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH

DATE	YOUTH	ACTIVITY
4/17	Kynslee Baker Brady Beard Lily Kate Vanderzwaln	MHS Softball - 5 pm Baseball - 7 pm Softball - 7:10 pm
4/18	Beau Bryant Harper & Josie Gentri	Baseball - 5:30 pm Softball - 6 pm Softball - 7:10 pm
4/20	Kynslee Lily Kate	MHS Softball - 5 pm Softball - 6 pm
4/21	Harper & Josie Gentri	Softball - 6 pm Softball - 7:10 pm
4/22	Gunnar	Soccer - 9 am

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

APRIL

- 21 Cordell Stewart
- 22 Carolyn Ashcraft
- 24 Margaret Harris
- 27 Joel & Valerie Thompson
- 1 Ray Leonard
- 3 Jason Meier

DAILY BIBLE READING

- MONDAY:** 1 Samuel 21-24
- TUESDAY:** Psalm 7, 27, 31, 34, 52
- WEDNESDAY:** Psalm 56, 120, 140-142
- THURSDAY:** 1 Samuel 25-27
- FRIDAY:** Psalm 17, 35, 54, 63
- SATURDAY:** 1 Samuel 28-31; Psa 18
- SUNDAY:** Psalm 121, 123-125, 128-130

LADIES' DUTIES

Communion Prep

- Apr 16** Lindsey Baker
- Apr 23** Jamie Beard
- Apr 30** Jamie Beard
- May 7** Pam Beard

APRIL

CARDS

Linda Forest

FOOD

Pam Beard
 Karli Walker

PENCILS/CARDS

Carolyn Ashcraft

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