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

PLEASE EXPLAIN EPHESIANS 4:4-6, ONE BODY

Garland M. Robinson

"There is **one body**, and **one Spirit**, even as ye are called in **one hope** of your calling; **one Lord**, **one faith**, **one baptism**, **one God** and Father of all, who is above all, and through all and in you all." These verses are commonly called the "seven ones" of Ephesians 4.

ONE is single in number. There is ONE BODY, not two, three, or three hundred! How strange for people to subscribe to the idea that the Lord has many bodies when the text plainly says there is ONE. Preachers can preach for people to join the body (church) of their choice, but it will not change what the Bible says; there is only one.

The ONE BODY is the CHURCH. Ephesians 1:22-23 says God gave Christ to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body. And he is the head of the body, the church (Colossians 1:18). There is one head. There is one body. Every plant which my heavenly Father hath not planted shall be rooted up (Matthew 15:13). Every church existing today that is not (in every particular) practicing what the church of the New Testament practiced, is not the church built by our Lord. Denominationalism is not part of the one church because it does not practice the doctrine of the New Testament.

Christ died for the church, the body. He purchased it with His own blood (Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 1:18-19). Jesus said, I will build my church (Matthew 16:18), and that is exactly what He did. It was established on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2. The church of Christ was not an accident (Ephesians 3:10-11). It is the eternal kingdom prophesied through the ages (Matt. 16:18-19; Acts 2:16).

The church is composed of the saved, all the saved (Ephesians 5:23), because those who are saved are added to it by the Lord (Acts 2:41,47). There are no saved people outside the church, for it is the church the Lord will save when He comes again (Ephesians 5:23). There is only one door of entrance into the church. We are all baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:13). Those on Pentecost became members of the church by being baptized (Acts 2:38-41). Why not become a member of the ONE BODY, the church of Christ? It's the only way to be saved from your sins in this wicked world.

An article from the DAILY CORINTHIAN (Corinth, MS)



Memory Verse

But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father Mark 13:32 (KJV)

April 30, 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 Class77
Sunday AM Worship98
Sunday PM Worship75
Wed. Evening48
Budget\$5,810
Contribution\$N/A

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYERS

- Cheryl Shirey passed away this past Monday evening
- Kent Measel (Fern Baker's uncle) passed away
- **Lyndell Baker** is dealing with health issues.
- Kay Tomberlin (Larry Fisackerly) is recovering from the removal of a brain tumor.
- Ben Nichols is currently in UAMS and in need of prayers.
- Sue Woodard is struggling with double pneumonia
- Tami Robinson (Calvin Jones sister) has been diagnosed with cancer
- Gabby Tucker (Fern Baker's friend) is on bed rest with pregnancy
- Linda Bates is not doing well, and in need of prayers. Remember **Ione** in your prayers, also.
- Ainsley Barnett will have tests on May 1st.
- Noah Draper (Linda Forest, Ray & Kathly Linder) is de-

ployed to Germany for 11 months

Benita Forrest will meet with a specialist in June

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

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

GRADUATION SUNDAY

Make plans to celebrate our four graduates, Ainsley Barnett, Allie Collins, Joanna Meier & Kevin Whitlow, on May 21st after morning service.

If you would like to recognize your graduate in our bulletin, please provide the following information: Name, Relation, High School, City/State, & plans for after graduation.

SUPPORT OUR YOUTH

<u>DATE</u>	<u>YOUTH</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
5/1	Josie & Harper	Softball - 6 pm
5/2	Avery Brady Beard Gentri & Lily Kate	Softball - 6 pm Baseball - 7 pm Softball - 7:10 pm
5/4	Gentri	Softball - 6 pm
5/5	Josie, Harper, & Lily Kate	Softball - 6 pm
	Avery	Softball - 7:10 pm
5/6	Gunnar	Soccer - 9 am

MARK YOUR CALENDARS **TODAY**

5th Sunday Contribution - All given today will go to the **Building Fund**

THIS WEEK

Ladies Bible Class - Wednesday @ 10 am

THIS MONTH

MAY

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

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

MAY

1 Ray Leonard

Jason Meier

Ryan Simmons

Josephine Kathryn Rabb

7 Jimmy Higgins

Brian & Mindy Erwin

DAILY BIBLE READING

MONDAY: 1 Chronicles 6

TUESDAY: Psalm 81, 88, 92-93

WEDNESDAY: 1 Chronicles 7-10

THURSDAY: Psalm 102-104

FRIDAY: 2 Sam. 5-10; 1 Chr. 11-12

SATURDAY: Psalm 133

SUNDAY:

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Psalm 106-107

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LADIES' DUTIES

Communion Prep

Apr 30 Jamie Beard

May 7 Pam Beard

May 14 Pam Beard

May 21 Leah Bryant

APRIL

CARDS

Linda Forest

FOOD

Pam Beard Karli Walker

PENCILS/CARDS

Carolyn Ashcraft



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 B — Ray Leonard	2	3 Ladies' Bible Class @ 10 am B — Jason Meier Ryan Simmons	4	5 B – Josie Kay Rabb	6
7 Singing & Fellowship B — Jimmy Higgins	8	9 A — Bryan & Mindy Erwin	10 Ladies' Bible Class @ 10 am	11	12	13
14 Happy Mother's Day	15	16 B – Emma Miller	17 Ladies' Bible Class @ 10 am A — Brad & Mandy Tolbert	18 B — Suzette Russell	19 B — Betty Henry A — Chris & Leah Bryant	20 Men's Breakfast @ 6 am
21 Graduation Sunday B - Brayden Curtis	22 B – Walter Stiles	23 30	24 Ladies' Bible Class @ 10 am B - Andrew Miller	25 Commun	26 ion Prep	27 LADIES' ASSIGNMENT CARDS
28 Memorial	29	30 B – karli Walker	31 Ladies' Bible Class @ 10 am	May 14 May 21	Pam Beard Pam Beard Leah Bryant Leah Bryant	Terry Boykin FOOD Kristen Smith Lindsey Baker PENCILS & CARDS Linda Forest