



MONTICELLO

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

THE INFLUENCE OF THE BIBLE (Part 4)

— George W. DeHoff —

LITERATURE INSPIRED

English literature began with the translation of the Bible. Shakespeare filled his writings with Bible ideas and Bible phraseology. Milton and Dante borrowed freely from the Bible. Addison, Steele, Browning, and Tennyson are filled with allusions to the scriptures. Sir Walter Scott called the Bible "The Book." Pilgrims Progress and The Imitation of Christ have been perhaps the most widely read of any books among men save the Bible and they closely follow the Bible in spirit. Daniel Webster established his wonderful oratory upon the Bible and read the Bible through once a year. Most literature that is enduring and permanent has been inspired by the Bible. What great literary productions have been inspired by the books of infidels?

EDUCATION PROMOTED

The most fundamental and necessary truths of modern scholarships are taught in the Bible. Men who believe the Bible have founded practically all our colleges and universities. Infidelity plants no schools. Ignorance is the lot of the people where the Bible has not gone. Our own system of free schools for everybody owes its origin and growth to the principles of Christianity. The Bible is counted as the outstanding influence for education by many leading educators of the world. No other book so completely sounds every depth and touches every shore of human intellect and emotion. When the question "If you were cast on a desert island and could have only one book, which would you choose?" was asked students at George Peabody College, Nashville, Tennessee, they were almost unanimous in their choice of the Bible. If one were interested only in literature what other book could he choose? If he believed in the inspiration of the Bible what other book would he choose? Well did Sir Isaac Newton say, "I count the scriptures of God to be the most sublime philosophy."

Skeptics have frequently charged that Christians seek to "bootleg" their religion into the public schools. Bootleg, indeed! The Christians have founded practically all our schools and are responsible for our school systems. The men who pay the bills have a right to say what shall be taught in their schools. If skeptics want to teach the various phases of infidelity let them build their own schools and stop "bootlegging" their doctrines into the public schools.

Summer Series 2023

THE MAN, JESUS CHRIST

The Man Who Died - Keden Shrum

Memory Verse

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (KJV)

August 13, 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 88

Sunday AM Worship... 103

Sunday PM Worship 81

Wed. Evening 74

Budget \$5,810

Contribution \$5,414

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYERS

- ◇ **Suzette Russell** has started rehab for her back
- ◇ **Becky Kendrick** (**Tom Weaver's** sister) has been having seizures
- ◇ **Rollie Flaherty** (**Ione Easterling's** cousin) is going to undergo kidney cancer surgery
- ◇ **Rita Stiles** is at home doing better
- ◇ **Tad Price** (Laura Smith's nephew) has suffering with ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease)
- ◇ **Lavon Light** (**Janet Staudinger's** brother) is recovering from heart surgery.
- ◇ **Acacia May** (**Becky Rice**) is moving to Washington with her parents to try and help manage her health
- ◇ **Dale & Diana Bates** are need prayers concerning their health. Dale was in the hospital with a possible stroke.
- ◇ Continue to remember **Donnie & Janice Wright**
- ◇ **Tami Robinson** (**Calvin Jones** sister) has been diagnosed with cancer
- ◇ **Benita Forrest** has X-rays coming up

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

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



**We are collecting snacks—See Brad Tolbert
 for more details**

TODAY	MOVE-IN DAY
8/14	ORG DAY
8/15	Fireworks at Campus
8/16	First Day of Classes

**Congratulations to Sara
 Newton being awarded the
 Master Educator Award**

**Remember all the students
 this week that are going back
 to school. Prayers for a great
 school year!**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS TODAY

Singing and Birthday/Anniversary Fellowship Tonight

THIS WEEK

Back to School - Monday
 UAM Fireworks - Tuesday Evening
 Summer Series - Keden Shrum
 Men's Breakfast - Saturday @ 6 am

THIS MONTH

Summer Series - Steven Ford - 23rd
 Summer Series - BJ Clarke - 30th

SEPTEMBER

EVANGELISM SEMINAR - 8th & 9th

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST

16 Roger Harris
 Jill Curtis
 17 David & Paula Wilson
 20 Jimmy & Sandra Higgins
 22 Josie Pettigrew
 23 Kelly & Anna Koonce
 Mandy Tolbert
 26 Brad Tolbert

DAILY BIBLE READING

MONDAY Jer 10–13
TUESDAY Jer 14–17
WEDNESDAY Jer 18–22
THURSDAY Jer 23–25
FRIDAY Jer 26–29
SATURDAY Jer 30–31
SUNDAY Jer 32–34

LADIES' DUTIES

Communion Prep

Aug 13 Linda Forest
 Aug 20 Linda Forest
 Aug 27 Jennifer Knight
 Sep 3 Jennifer Knight

AUGUST

CARDS

Barbara Dyson

FOOD

Angela Naron
 Karli Walker

PENCILS/CARDS

Terry Boykin

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Congregational Evangelism SEMINAR SEPTEMBER 8-9

TRAINING THE SAVED TO TEACH THE LOST

FRIDAY, SEP. 8

6:30 PM

Let's Get Motivated

This session will relay several personal accounts of conversions. It has worked and is still working.

7:30 PM

Let's Stay with the Message

This session focuses on the power of the Word. We must put the Bible back into personal Bible studies!

SATURDAY, SEP. 9

9:00 AM

Let's Talk about the Manner

How do you get into a Bible Study? We will look at Jesus and how our Master Evangelist was able to develop such a large following.

10:00 AM

Let's not Argue about the Method

It's time to introduce *Back to the Bible* and demonstrate how to use it.

11:00 AM

Let's Apply the Model

We will discuss difficult situations and take your questions. How does this work in my world?

1:00 PM (SPLIT SESSION)

Men: Let's Make the Application

We provide church leaders a ten-point congregational plan to become an evangelistic body.

1:00 PM (SPLIT SESSION)

Women: Ten Ingredients for Evangelism

In this special ladies' session, Nicole will provide practical suggestions on how to apply what you have learned.



**School of
EVANGELISM**
TRAINING THE SAVED TO TEACH THE LOST

"The most impactful seminar on evangelism in the history of the congregation. Every church needs to schedule it as soon as possible."

—Allen Webster

"Rob doesn't just preach it; he practices it."

—Robby Eversole

SPEAKERS



Rob Whitacre



Nicole Whitacre

Rob Whitacre

Rob was born in Carbondale, Illinois. His education includes a two-year diploma from Southwest School of Bible Studies, a graduate certificate in Sacred History from Southwest School of Bible Studies, and a B.A. from Southern Christian University. He started preaching in 1997 and currently serves as an evangelist for House to House/Heart to Heart in Jacksonville, Alabama, where he trains congregations in personal evangelism.

Nicole Whitacre

Nicole attended Freed-Hardeman University and studied elementary education. She homeschooled her children and is a Bible class teacher. She has also conducted seminars for Bible class teachers and personal evangelism in Jamaica, New Zealand, and dozens of congregations in the United States. Nicole works full-time alongside her husband as they seek to train the saved to teach the lost.

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Hope for the Hurting A Grief Seminar

September 23-24, 2023 with Guest Speaker Jeff Jenkins

Saturday

4:00 p.m. "Some Things I Wish Everyone Knew About Grief" (Part I)

5:15 p.m. Fellowship Meal (Provided)

6:30 p.m. "Some Things I Wish Everyone Knew About Grief" (Part II)

7:30 p.m. Questions & Answers

Sunday

9:30 a.m. "Beyond the Valley: Moving Forward After Loss"

10:25 a.m. "Comforting Words from Jesus" (Part I)

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Meal (Provided)

1:30 p.m. "Comforting Words from Jesus (Part II)

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