# CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

# **Everyone Has a Place** – Rob Whitacre –

Paul wrote, "The body is not one member, but many. If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? And if the ear shall say, Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling? But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased Him" (1 Corinthians 12:14-18).

Every member has a place, but not every place is for every member. The eyes cannot do the work of the hands, nor can the hands do the work of the eyes. Both of these members are vital for the body. When one does not function properly, the body becomes less efficient and effective. Members have to be trained. The feet must learn how to balance the body. The ears must be trained on how to listen. Each member must understand his or her place and be trained on how to do the work.

No matter who you are, you are needed. Those who greet are just as important as those who teach. If we do not greet visitors and develop contacts, we will have no one to teach. Those who write cards are just as important as those who baptize. If we do not show the lost the love of Christ, no one will desire to follow Christ. Paul said, "The eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you. Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary" (1 Corinthians 12:21-22).

The church of Christ has one mission: to make disciples (Matthew 28:19). Every part of the church is designed to complete this mission. In fact, God created each member in the body according to His pleasure of completing it. When parts of the body lose sight of the mission and begin to work independently, the entire body suffers. If the hand is not used for a prolonged period, it forgets its place, loses strength, and deteriorates. When the hand forgets its mission, it can hurt the body. The elders are working together to make sure every member in the congregation knows his or her place, providing training on a congregational and individual level to help members find their individual places. The congregation will grow when everyone is focused on the mission.

As a congregation, our evangelistic efforts offer many opportunities to serve in the kingdom. Shepherds and preachers have the responsibility to teach and practice the process. Likewise, each sheep in Christ's flock, each part of Christ's body, each member of Christ's church has a responsibility to identify current strengths, develop new ones, and to use those strengths to the glory of Christ. Evangelism is not passive: prayer without practical application is ineffective, & so is evangelistic teaching without evangelistic reaching. The human body can reach farthest when the whole body gets involved & stretches to assist the reach. The same can be said for the Lord's body: every part is needed for us to reach all that we can. Are we doing our part?

# **Memory Verse**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,

2 Corinthians 1:3 (ESV)

# March 3, 2024

# **ELDERS**

Mike Beard Larry Fisackerly Joe Moore

# **DEACONS**

Marty Baker Chris Bryant Ray Linder Jason Meier Jeff Newton Joshua Pettigrew Kerry Rice Jeremy Wilson <u>MINISTERS</u> 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 Class73
Sunday AM Worship93
Sunday PM Worship 63
Wed. Evening77
Budget \$5,514
Contribution \$8,046

# **THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYERS**

- **Judy Beard** is in UAMS undergoing treatment for leukemia
- Brad Tolbert's is home recovering
- **Fran Calvart** will have surgery on March 8th
- Laura Smith will have knee surgery on March 14th
- Jerry Smith had a successful procedure on his heart
- **Monte Meier** is schedule to have a heart valve replaced
- The **Staudinger Family** is dealing with COVID
- **Ike Rochell** is undergoing treatments for liver cancer
- Gean Harris (Roger Harris's brother) was laid to rest Thursday, February 29th. Remember Roger & family in you prayers
- Andy Boykin will have procedures that require him to be in the hospital five days every month for a year
- Lindsey Hall (Drake Hall's [Monticello Police Officer] wife) is in the hospital in Little Rock with various complications
- Brian Ferrell (David Wilson's friend) is recovering from a stroke
- Sue Woodard had a diagnostic procedure

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

# - Revelation 7:16-17

$\diamond$	Jone Baldridge (Janet Staudinger's sister) is having issu		
	with her kidneys.		

- Allie Cooper's cancer has returned
- Acacia May (Becky Rice's niece) was taken to the hospital with breathing issues
- Judy Purvis (Fern Baker's mother) had a appointment with the cardiologist Friday
- Jamie Edwards (Fern Baker's brother-in-law) has started chemo and is having stomach issues

# **REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS**

Jean Enlow	Betty

v Betty McGuire Pat Turner

Lyndell Baker Judy Purvis Laverne Potter

Marie Wooten

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS TODAY

Sunday Morning class on David—Chris Bryant Group 1 (Rusty & Lori Rabb) - Return Cards Today or Wednesday THIS WEEK

# THIS MONTH

10th - 13th—Gospel Meeting: Willie McCoy - West Central Church of Christ in Warren, AR 22nd-24th - Gospel Meeting: Kevin Rhodes - Rison Church of Christ in Rison, AR 30th - Easter Egg Hunt APRIL

# **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

# MARCH

- 3 Daniel Light
- 9 Carolyn Wilson
- 11 Joanna Meier Walter & Rita Stiles
- 12 Barbara Durham
- 16 Parker Simmons
- 17 Seth & Lindsey Baker

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<u>DAILY BIBLE READING</u>			
MONDAY	1 Cor 3–4		
TUESDAY	Gen 36–39		
WEDNESDAY	Ruth		
THURSDAY	Ps 27–29		
FRIDAY	Job 19–20		
SATURDAY	lsa 51–55		
SUNDAY	Matt 26–28		

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# LADIES' DUTIES

# Communion Prep

3-Mar Karli Walker10-Mar Rachel Wilson17-Mar Rachel Wilson24-Mar Carolyn Ashcraft

# February

CARDS Terry Boykin

**FOOD** Sandra Baker Karli Walker

PENCILS/CARDS Pam Beard WEST CENTRAL

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# GOSPEL MEETING

"CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH" - JUDE 1:3

# SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH @ 2:30 PM

BRO. WILLIE MCCOY TENTH AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST COLUMBUS, MS

GUEST SPEAKER: BRO. WILLIE MCCOY

> FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY: LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

GOSPEL MEETING BEGINS MARCH 11TH MONDAY - THURSDAY @7PM



BRO. JAMIE ROCHELL HOST MINISTER



# **Spring 2024 Gospel Meeting** with



Kevin Rhodes director of



# Theme: The Work of the Church March 22-24

The Work of the Deacon (Friday 7:00 pm) The Work of the Elder (Saturday 7:00 pm) The Work of the Preacher (Sunday 9:30 am) The Work of the Member (Sunday 10:25 am) Fellowship Meal (Provided) The Work of the Member (Sunday 1:00 pm)



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