

# Siwell Signature

## Is It Worth It?

One of Israel's song writers observed the prosperity of the wicked. He observed them enjoying health and wealth (Psalm 73:3, 7). They seemed to have no problems (Psalm 73:4-5). They were both proud and cruel, exhibiting arrogance toward people and God (Psalm 73:6, 8-9).

All of the things he saw on the surface of their lives made him question whether it was worth it to do right. He was on the verge of falling (Psalm 73:2). He wrote, "Surely I have cleansed my heart in vain, And washed my hands in innocence. For all day long I have been plagued, And chastened every morning" (Psalm 73:13-14). In other words, his righteous life seemed unrewarded since it was filled with problems.

It took going to God's sanctuary to learn the truth (Psalm 73:17). The wicked are on a slippery slope to destruction (Psalm 73:18-19). Their prosperity, like a dream, is not real or lasting (Psalm 73:20). His thoughts prior to going into God's sanctuary now made him feel he had acted like a beast (Psalm 73:21-22).

The Psalmist concluded it does pay to live a righteous life. He confidently said, "Nevertheless I am continually with You; You hold me by my right hand. You will guide me with Your counsel, And afterward receive me to glory" (Psalm 73:23-24). God gives his people strength (Psalm 73:25-26). It pays to live a righteous life (Psalm 73:27-28).

The world is still trying to tell God's people their pursuit of right living is making them miserable and keeping them from enjoying the good times. May we all focus on the singer's conclusion, which he wrote in the opening verse, and remember to go into God's house to find the truth. "Truly God is good to Israel, To such as are pure in heart" (Psalm 73:1).

Gary C. Hampton

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**September 18, 2018**

### Elders

Bob Allen  
Chris Bates  
Darrel Cockroft  
Andy Dulaney  
James Leggett  
Paul Leggett

### Deacons

John Boyd  
Antonio Bracey  
Charles Bracey  
William Case  
Bobby Chase  
Drew Dulaney  
Thomas Edwards  
Herbert Ellis  
Terrance Freeman  
Colin Middleton  
Jeff Morris  
Russell Myers  
Mark Polk  
Hiram Sturgeon  
W.E. Walker  
Jeff Wall  
Corey Yates

### Pulpit Minister

Gary Hampton

### Youth and Family Life

#### Minister

Derek Broome  
[derek.broome@yahoo.com](mailto:derek.broome@yahoo.com)

#### Deaf Minister

George Myers

#### Missionary

Louis & Martha  
Rushmore

#### Assembly Times

Sunday Classes	9:30
Sunday Morning	10:30
Sunday Evening	5:30
Wednesday Night	7:00

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Please pray for **Chris Rae** as he struggles with physical and spiritual issues. He requested forgiveness of sin so the Lord will hear his prayers. Chris had a stroke in August. Please pray for spiritual strength for **Loretha Wallace** as she requested Sunday. She also requested prayers for safety for her son, Anderson, who is traveling from Pennsylvania to Jackson.

**Ashleigh Breaud** is feeling better.

**Shirley Cotting** continues cancer treatment.

**Neeta Hart** is at home recovering from surgery.

**Billy and Jeannie Lane** continue to need our prayers.

**Debra McAdams** fell and broke her arm. She is at home recovering from surgery. We were glad to see her at worship service Sunday.

Please continue to pray for **Terril and Virginia Morris**.

**Billy Sam Ward** is having problems with his back.

**Nell Watson** began treatment for blood cancer. Please keep her in your prayers for healing and comfort.

**Kristi Kelley, daughter of Vic Kelley**, had been in the ICU but was moved to a regular room.

**Charla King, granddaughter of Alice King**, is having issues with her heart. She is scheduled for a test on September 19.

**Brenda Myers, cousin of Tim Butler**, has cancer and is not doing very well. She is out of a coma and out of the hospital.

Please pray for **Shirley Ray** and her mother, **Bernice Richardson**, during Shirley's treatment for cancer which has been diagnosed as Stage 4.

Please pray for **Barbara Seal, grandmother of Jeff Seal and Davina Gardner**, who had a bad fall.

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## SHUT-IN LIST

Velma Bicker (Chadwick, 119-B)

Mary Coleman (at home)

Grover Edwards (Briar Hill)

Billy and Jeanie Lane (at home)

Virgil and Sylvia Parrish (at home)

Mary Lois Wells (at home)

## THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Carey Ballard, Josh Barnett, Brian Butler, Dillon Holloway, Jae Irvin, Shayne Kelly, Kyle Russell, Andrew Smith, Robert Smith, Seth Sparkman, William Thompson, Jacobi Weatherspoon, and Jaden Williams

Louis and Martha Rushmore will be leaving soon for Burma. Please pray for them as they travel and spread the gospel.

## Prayer List...

Robert Alman (brother of John Alman, Sr.)

Daniel Berry (Nephew of Dirk Robertson)

Glenda Bishop (Edwards Family)

Denice Boutwell (mother of Owen Boutwell)

Angela Callon

Shirley Cotting

Shelia Cox (Niece of H.D. Hood)

Leon Cromwell (Father of Donald Cromwell)

Linda Dickinson

Tom Edwards (Father of Thomas Edwards)

Loretta Ellis

Josephine Gardner (Granddaughter of Kip and Davina Gardner)

Sheri Gilmore (Sister of Jill Chase)

Charles Gleghorn (Uncle of Eric Hausley)

Donna Green (Relative of the McAdams Family)

Ale Griffith (Daughter of Michael Griffith)

Melvin Hardy (Brother of Vera Spencer)

B. J. Henderson (Son of Billy & Pat Henderson)

Nancy Henderson (cousin of Lee McAdams)

Miriam Holcomb (Kidney problems)

H. D. Hood

Mary Horton

Fran Howell (Sister of Shirley Cotting and Aunt of Angela Callon)

Nathalie Johnston (Sister of Vera Spencer)

Kristi Kelley (daughter of Vic Kelley)

Billy & Jeanie Lane

Bobby and Betty Martin (McAdams Family)

Master's Family (Friends of Russell Myers)

Billy McAdams – Lee McAdams

Randy Miller (back problems)

Virginia Morris

Bob Myers (Uncle of Kristina Manning)

Alyssa Neal

Hulon Parrett

Shirley Ray (Niece of Annette Parrett)

Johnny Renfroe

Dustin Robertson (nephew of Dirk Robertson)

Josh Sexton (Friend of Coy Edwards – has cancer)

Robbie Smiley

Carl and Vera Spencer

Melanie Tidwell - Chris Tidwell (Son of Melanie Tidwell)

Melda Tunnell (Friend of Darlene Easterling and Lydia Hood)

Loretha Wallace and Marilyn Wallace

Anthony Walter (Son of Patricia Walter)

Billy Sam Ward

Nell Watson

Mary Lois Wells

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*A thank you note was received from Hunter and Misty Gann for all the things that were done for them during the birth of their daughter, Ashlyn.*

## Daily Bible Reading for the week of Sept 24-30, 2018

Esther 6-10  
Ezra 7-10  
Nehemiah 1-5  
Nehemiah 6-7  
Nehemiah 8-10  
Nehemiah 11-13; Psalm 126  
Malachi 1-4

## Ladies' Retreat October 12-13, 2018



*"It is more blessed  
to give than  
to receive."*  
~ACTS 20:35

Magnolia Bible Center  
Kosciusko, MS

T-shirts \$15 each  
Please sign up by September 30<sup>th</sup>

As part of the Ladies Retreat, we will be working on a project to make up blessing bags to be handed out to the homeless.

Items needed: Pocket Bibles

Travel size items such as shampoo, conditioner, lotion, deodorant, body spray, hand sanitizer, soap, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrush, lip balm

Cotton swabs, cotton balls, Kleenex, wet wipes, toilet paper, band aids, Neosporin, comb, hairbrush, hair ties, feminine products (pads), new underwear (all size ranges), new socks (all size ranges)

Individually wrapped nonperishable snacks, granola bars, nuts, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, etc.

Gum, hard candies, mini bottles of water

## ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTION

BIBLE CLASSES	205
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	257
SUNDAY NIGHT	197
WEDNESDAY NIGHT	175
BUDGET	\$10,432.00
CONTRIBUTION	\$11,075.76

## HAPPENINGS AT SIWELL

September 18 – Ladies Bible Class at 11:00 a.m.

Kick Off for 2018-2019 Sister to Sister will be on October 1 at 6:30 p.m. in the downstairs fellowship hall. If you have not already completed a participation sheet, please do so by September 19. If you don't drive at night, transportation is available. If you need child care, it is available. There will be no confidentiality form to be signed. If you have any questions, please see Valerie Bates, Nan Cockroft or Lisa Robertson.

October 14 – Bridal Shower – There will be a bridal shower to honor Allison Bates, daughter of Chris and Valerie Bates from 3:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Allison is registered at Target and Bed, Bath and Beyond. (Former Shower Team 1)

## K.I.D.S.

9 Good Minutes at 5:19 - Birth to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

## YOUTH NEWS

September 23 – Lads to Leaders Kick Off – Please bring finger food.

September 24 – Teen Monday Night Devotional

September 26 – Wednesday – Teens Hang Out After School. Supper will be at 5:30 p.m.

September 28-30 – RUSH – The cost is \$35 per person.

October 1 – Teen Monday Night Devotional

## YOUNG PROFESSIONALS AND COLLEGE

September 22 – Bowling at Indian Lanes in Clinton

## SCRIPTURE FOR CHILDREN'S BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday: Review - Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses

(Transition from Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, and Moses' Earlier Life to Moses' Later Life)

Wednesday: Moses – Exodus 21-23; Leviticus 24:10-16  
Laws, Feasts, and Seasons

## MOWING SCHEDULE

For September 22 – Team 4

Tim Butler, Hiram Sturgeon, Grant Sturgeon, Bobby Chase, and Colin Middleton

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**MEN TO SERVE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018**

	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
Announcements:	Darrel Cockroft	Darrel Cockroft
Song Director:	John Boyd	John Boyd
Opening Prayer:	Eric Hausley	Malcolm Barnett
Presiding:	Paul Leggett	
Speaker:	Gary Hampton	Gary Hampton
Topic:	<i>Blessings Which Promote Unity</i>	<i>The Pattern For Perfect Peace</i>
Closing Prayer:	Donald Cromwell	Kip Gardner

**MEN TO SERVE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**

Communion: Antonio Bracey, Will Case, Doug Cockroft, Hunter Gann, William Gates, Michael Griffith, Scott Morris, Russell Myers and Jeff Seal

Alternates: Mark Polk and Marvin Wallace

Ushers and  
P.M. Communion: William Case, Jim Gray, and Corey Yates

Take up Cards: William Boyd, Parker Christian, and Justin Mock

**Men serving Communion and leading prayers are asked to meet in the front of the auditorium immediately following Bible Class.**

**SERVING FOR THE MONTH OF  
SEPTEMBER**

Flower Arrangement: Vicki Edwards  
Prepare Communion: Bobby and Jill Chase  
Clean Communion Trays: William Gates and Sarah Wall  
Elder to Contact: Darrel Cockroft  
Count and Deposit Contribution: Terril Morris and Mark Polk  
Food Coordinator: Valerie Bates (*If you know of a need for food to be taken to someone, please let Valerie know.*)

**DEACON IN CHARGE OF  
BUILDING SECURITY**

Charles Bracey

**ATTENDANCE COUNT**

Jeff Wall

**GREETERS FOR THE MONTH OF  
SEPTEMBER**

Alicia Middleton and Alice King  
Ann and Doug Cockroft

**AM NURSERY ATTENDANTS  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018**

Infant: Sharon Turner and Codie Bracey  
Toddlers: Alice King and Jennifer Griffith

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018**

Song Leader: Owen Boutwell  
Devotional Speaker: Chris Bates  
Closing Prayer: Doug Cockroft

**PANTRY**

The Pantry is very low, all things are needed.

**BEREAN CHILDREN'S HOME**

Please make checks payable to Siwell Road church of Christ and note "for Berean Children's Home."  
Items needed: after school snacks (no chocolate).