

December 4th, 2022

Siwell Signature



A Look in the Mirror

Do you ever look at yourself in the mirror? When I was younger I looked at myself in the mirror all the time. In fact, I used to look in the mirror so much that people that knew me best would pick on me about always staring at myself. I'll admit it, sometimes I was looking in the mirror because I was vain. I was younger, thinner, and for a brief period of time I actually had hair. Pride and vanity have definitely impacted my life but not always in the obnoxious, arrogant kind of way. I've also had times in my life when I was looking in the mirror because my confidence was low and I wanted to see if I fit or measured up to the worldly standard of how a young man is "supposed" to look. Pride and vanity impact you even if you are not acting arrogant or obnoxious. People with low self-esteem can often think everything is about them but just in a negative way. People with low self-esteem often put the focus on this life and find themselves looking for satisfaction and fulfillment in all the wrong places.

Does this mean that looking in the mirror is always a bad thing? Of course not. It's good to put your best foot forward. It shows self worth, care, and can help you have and show a healthy level of confidence from day to day. But we need to be sure that we are not valuing the things of this life over the spiritual things of God. When we look into scripture we can see numerous accounts of people that were caught up in the things of this life. That pattern of living has continued to this very day. Scripture even warned us of perilous times in the last days that people will be "lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,". (2 Timothy 3:2) We are living in the last days and we see on a daily basis that people continue to be "lovers of self". But that is not the way we as people of God are to live. We read in Colossians 3:2 "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth." If we look into a worldly mirror all we are going to see is worldly things. Our minds are not to be focused on earthly things because they lead to destruction. (Philippians 3:19) Instead of having conformed minds we are to have transformed minds in Him. (Romans 12:2) We must look into a different kind of mirror than this world has to offer.

In 2 Timothy 3:10-17 we see that if we want to be pleasing before God we must continue to follow after His Word. We see similar instructions given in James 1:21-25 where we see we need to receive the "implanted Word". But we are not to receive it by just hearing. We must be people that both hear and do. A person that just hears is said to be "like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was." We are to be people that look into the "perfect law of liberty" and continue in it by being people that hear the Word and continue to obey. Let each of us look daily into the mirror that is the Word of God and be sure that we are living lives that look and are pleasing before the Lord.

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Sunday

Bible Class - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night

Bible Class - 7:00 p.m.

Elders

**Bob Allen, Chris Bates,
Ron Clemons, Darrel Cockroft,
Andy Dulaney, James Leggett,
Jeff Morris**

Deacons

**Antonio Bracey, Charles Bracey,
Chris Carr, William Case,
Bobby Chase, Drew Dulaney,
Herbert Ellis, Terrance Freeman,
Joey Jamison, Colin Middleton,
Scott Morris, Hiram Sturgeon**

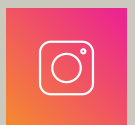
Ministers

**Gary Hampton - Pulpit
Derek Broome - Associate
Edward Glass - Deaf**

Missionary

Louis and Martha Rushmore

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Monthly Service List December 2022

	December
Flowers	Morgan Dulaney
Food Coordinator	Ginger Koestler
Contribution	Kip Gardner and Lynn Berch
Prep Communion	Hannah Broome and Alisha Middleton
Wash Communion Trays	Brittany Bates and Suzanne Jamison
Elder to Contact	Ron Clemons
Sound Booth	Colin Middleton
Attendance Count	Grant Sturgeon

Sundays

Date	December 4 th	December 11 th	December 18 th	December 25 th
Song Leader	James Koestler	Allen Bates	Drew Dulaney	Joey Jamison
Scripture Reading/ A.M. Opening Prayer	Chris Carr	Dustin Jeffords	Jim Green	Jeff Morris
Presiding/PM Communion	Darrel Cockroft	Sam Clark	John Mark Bridges	William Case
Communion/Serve Lord's Supper	Lynn Berch, Nathan Brewer, Brian Conger, Terry Dyer, Earnest Longstreet, Casey Hurley, Austin Spearman, Steve Picket Alternates: Dirk Robertson and Bryce Thompson			
A.M Closing Prayer	W.E. Walker	James Leggett	Terrance Freeman	Richard Carr
PM Opening Prayer	Scott Morris	Chris Bates	Kyle Russell	No PM Service
P.M. Closing Prayer	Bobby Chase	Michael Griffith	Jeff Seal	No PM Service
Building Lock-Up	Antonio Bracey	Charles Bracey	Chris Carr	William Case
Greeters - Foyer	Ester Thomas Annette Parrett	Wayne Morris Anita Carver	Bonnie Mobley Morgan Jones	Loretta Ellis Angela Boyd
Greeters - Auditorium	James and Sophia Leggett	Austin and Stephanie Spearman	Darrel and Nan Cockroft	Derek and Hannah Broome
Nursery Attendants	Crystal Dunlap	Jennifer Griffith	Annette Parrett	Patty Polk
Card Care Groups	Team 1 – Terry Dyer and Jim Green	Team 2 – Allen Bates and John Mark Bridges	Team 3 – Jeff Seal and Sam Clark	Team 4 – Dustin Jeffords and Michael Griffith

Wednesdays

Date	December 7 th	December 14 th	December 21 st	December 28 th
Song Leading	Tracy Gray Jr.	Terrance Freeman	Grant Sturgeon	Derek Broome
Devotional	Chris Carr	Owen Boutwell	Joey Jamison	Gary Hampton
Closing Prayer	Marvin Wallace	Tim Butler	Charles Bracey	Andy Dulaney

News and Events

On December 25th we will only meet for the 10:30 a.m. worship assembly. We will not have classes or an evening service that day.

Women's Christmas Party- December 4th from 3 to 5 p.m. Bring a wrapped ornament and finger foods.

Women of the Word - December 5th 6:30 p.m.

Breakfast with Santa- Dec. 10th. at 9 a.m. If you can help please sign the list on the bulletin board.

Golden Circle Christmas Party - December 11th after morning service. Bring a \$10-\$15 gift for dirty santa. No gag gifts. Sign up sheet on bulletin board.

Standing in the Gap - December 12th. All men are asked to bring cajun food. Drinks and Desserts provided.

Berean Christmas Gift

Like every year we are collecting money for a gift to the kids at Berean. If you would like to donate to this cause please give your check to the church office and be sure it is marked for Berean.

Apologetics Seminar - January 20th-22nd - Mike Houts

Ladies Retreat - January 27-29th. Please begin turning in your money to reserve your spot. Money is due by December 21st. If you have questions see Hannah Broome or Morgan Dulaney.

New Member Fellowship - February 4th - All new members from 2020 until now are invited to this time of fellowship with the elders, deacons, and ministers and their families.

Ladies Day 2023 - February 18th. Speaker- Kathryn Baker

Gospel Meeting - "Equipping the Saints" - April 30th-May 3rd, 2023. Guest Speaker - Mark Teske



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Teen News

Teen Christmas Party/Canton Lights- December 10

TNT- December 13th at 6:30 at Andy Dana's house. Bus leaves building at 6:00.

Blast Night -December 21st after services. Bring money.

Lockin - December 30th

K.I.D.S.

Parents Night Out/Shopping Babysitting - December 2nd

Breakfast with Santa- Dec. 10th

Snack - December 18th following evening services.

Lads to Leaders December 11th

Bible Bowl - 3 p.m.

Bible Reading/Speech - 4 p.m.

Song Leading/Songs of Praise- 4:30 pm



1st and 3rd Mondays at 6 pm
Downstairs Fellowship Hall

Standing in the GAP

2nd Monday of the
Month at 6:30 PM
Downstairs Fellowship

A Men's Ministry

REMEMBER IN PRAYER



Prayer List Updates

Hulon Parrett continues to have some health problems.

Carlos Ball, one of our new converts, has been in the hospital.

Hayden Seal's uncle, **Joseph Gibbs**, passed away on Sunday.

Loretta Ellis is having blood pressure issues.

Amber Carraway mother, **Elizabeth** is still recovering from her car accident.

Earnest Longstreet's father is having a lot of health problems.

Sylvia Thompson's son, **Lyle Thompson**, is having a lot of health problems.

Chris Rae has been having trouble with seizures.

Ben Myers is recovering after back surgery.

Jeanie Lane had surgery to repair a broken knee cap.

Zach Shiers has been moved from trauma ICU into the regular ICU. He has a long recovery ahead.

Nancy Wright has been having health problems. Please no calls or visitors at this time.

Our Military, Law Enforcement, and First Responders

Johnny Alman, Dan Parrett, Josh Barnett, Charles Bracey, Andrew Smith, Coy Bunch, Robert Smith, Brian Butler, Seth Sparkman, Michael Griffith, Kyle, Russell, William Thompson, Jae Irvin, Jaden Williams, Joey Jamison, Delvin Brown, Shayne Kelly, Wesley Thompson, Ryan Thompson



Berean Children's Home, INC.

Donations Drive

ALL DONATIONS WILL BE USED TO HELP TAKE CARE OF THE CHILDREN THAT ARE PLACED AT THE BEREAN CHILDREN'S HOME, INC.

May- Canned Vegetables

June- Breakfast Items

Cereal, Oatmeal, Grits, Pancake Mix, & Syrup

July- Pasta & Sauces

August- School Supplies

September- Canned Fruits, Jams, Jellies, & Peanut Butter

October- Sugar, Flour, & Cornmeal

November- Soups & Chili

December- Cake Mixes, Pie shells, & Dessert items

pudding, Jell-O, brownies, cookies, etc.

January- Dried Beans & Vegetable Oil

February- Personal Hygiene Products

March- Dish Detergent & Laundry Detergent

April- Paper Goods

Want to Study God's Word??

Contact the Church Office

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A WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Wednesday's

10:00 AM

Downstairs Fellowship

Contribution and Attendance

For November 27th, 2022

Bible Classes.....	138
Sunday A.M. Worship.....	161
Sunday P.M. Worship.....	105
Budget:	\$10,822.00
Contribution:	\$11,223.50



WELCOME

We are glad YOU are here!

GUEST
SIGN IN



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Fighting Forbidden Fear

I. There are _____ kinds of fear.

- A. Standing in awe of God (Renn 370)
 - 1. Ecclesiastes _____
 - 2. Hebrews 11:7
 - 3. Acts 10:34-35
- B. Dread, alarm, fright, terror, apprehension, anxiety, perplexity and distrust (Winkler *Heart Diseases and Their Cure* 62)
 - 1. Matthew _____
 - 2. Revelation 2:10
- C. Genesis 3:10-11

II. Fear _____ about _____ things.

- A. It brings the thing feared
 - 1. Judges 3:25 “what I _____ has _____ to me.”
 - 2. Matthew 14:28-31
- B. It makes one unreliable. Judges 7:3
- C. It keeps from doing right. Matthew 25:24-25
- D. It can cost me heaven. Revelation 21:8

III. There are _____ to _____ fear.

- A. Seek forgiveness Acts 8:20-24
- B. Pray
 - 1. Psalm 3:4-5 “I _____ to the Lord with my voice, And He _____ me from His holy hill.”
 - 2. Psalm 55:16-17
- C. Remember God is on our side—Psalm 118:6; 2 Timothy 1:7

Responding to Questions

(Some thoughts from Hiram Kemp)

I. Some are _____.

- A. Acts 17:11 “These were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all _____, and _____ the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so.”
- B. Acts 17:18-20
- C. Acts 25:22a

II. I _____.

- A. Job 11:7-8 “Can you search out the _____ of God? Can you find out the _____ of the Almighty?”
- B. Deuteronomy 29:29
- C. Acts 8:30-31a

III. The _____ says.

- A. 1 Peter 4:11a “If anyone speaks, let him speak as the _____ of God.”
- B. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- C. Matthew 19:4-6

IV. Speak with _____ confidence.

- A. 2 Timothy 2:24-26
- B. Colossians 4:5-6 “Let your speech always be with _____, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to _____ each one.”
- C. Ephesians 4:15