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From Where I Sit . . .

"Life's Most Important Question"

While Paul and Silas sang praises to God from within the Roman jail at midnight, a jailer slept while on guard-duty, unaware, no doubt, of the importance of the hour. Little did he realize that he would soon encounter the mighty power of God. This man understood authority, power, responsibility. He was answerable with his very life for the prisoners in this dungeon to those who had authority over him. Soon he was to witness a power that superceded that of Roman emperors, Roman idols, and Roman chains. In response to this power he would eagerly do whatever it took for salvation.

When this Philippian jailer of Acts 16 felt the earthquake, saw the jail cells opened and the chains removed from his prisoners, but that they had not escaped, he recognized he was not dealing with ordinary people or ordinary powers. We cannot understand that he immediately knew all the answers. I doubt seriously if he even understood all the questions. He just knew that he had experienced an encounter with a genuine and ultimate authority – the real thing. He was at least vaguely aware that he was dealing with a power greater than the Roman government and all the Roman "gods" combined.

Whatever he knew, whatever he meant by the question, he immediately sought the answer to what has no doubt brought more sermons to their conclusion than any other, "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" Undoubtedly, this is the most important question ever asked in the whole existence of mankind. The answer to this question will determine where one spends eternity.

The answer recorded in Acts 16:31 is the hope of the world: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." This man did not already, and could not start believing in one whom he did not even know. He had to be introduced to Jesus. "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?" (Romans 10:13-14). So verse 32 of Acts 16 continues the message of salvation: "And they spake unto him the word of the Lord..." He was so convinced of this "word of the Lord" that he was baptized into Jesus that very same hour of the night.

It becomes apparent in the text that in preaching to the jailer about Jesus, just as it was with Phillip preaching to the Ethiopian about Jesus, that when one preaches that message, the listener always wanted to immediately be baptized. So it was here, and so it was in every case of conversion in the New Testament.

How can there be so much disagreement in the religious world on such an important subject as salvation. We can only wish that everyone would be as sincere as the jailer was. In essence his message was, "Lord, I'll do anything it takes." There was no argument about it. He was baptized that very same hour of the night. Let us all maintain that same open and willing mind in our search for salvation.

... Terry Broome



Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.

Vince Laney is recovering from shoulder surgery that he had last week. He has started therapy and is doing well. Please pray for a swift recovery.

Buddy Holt experienced a fall this week while in Atlanta visiting family and has a severely sprained ankle. Buddy would appreciate your prayers for a speedy recovery.

Joan Woodmancy, grandmother of Pam Brown, had a fall and sustained a broken hip, broken spine and other injuries. She is in the hospital and the family is asking for prayers.

Ron Gardner, father of Joel, is undergoing some tests and the family is requesting prayers from our congregation.

Malachi Hill, 6 month old grandson of Pam Hill (Gerald Helton's fiancé), underwent surgery to create a soft spot on his head. He came home from the hospital last Friday. He is having some swelling around the eyes and neck. Please continue praying for him as he recovers.

Larry Buchanan, brother-in-law to a former member at Broad Street, Katie Precise Law, is in the hospital in Virginia. The family has requested our prayers.

Roni Armstrong, daughter of LaNelle Caudle, had an emergency appendectomy on Tuesday evening in Huntsville. Please keep her in your prayers.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

Lee Ann Manning
Ray Latham
Ginger Myers
Donna Pace
Kirsten Roberts
Jaxie Hargrave
Bob Rice
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Nellie Spring

Mary Hodge, 88 Sumner Dr., 35769.

Judy Solomon, sister of Martha Pendley.

Hudson Coldwell, Martha Pendley's grandson.

Bob Milk, brother-in-law of Robin Shelton.

Benn Farr, cousin of several of our members.

Vickie Farr, sister of Charlotte Vinson,4319 Hanging Moss Dr. Orange Park, FL 32073.

Waylon & Sharon Wright, friends of Linda & Harold Reynolds & former members here, 221 Hillsboro Circle, Florence, AL 35630.

Hillary Broome, Terry's youngest brother.

Jeanine McCrary, mother of Johnny, Highlands Health & Rehab.

Rhonda Harrison, sister of Brenda Devers, 74 Sarah Betty Lane, Apt. Bl, Scottsboro, 35769.

Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin.

Jordan McCormack, US Navy

Trent McCormack, US Navy

Jordan Holt, US Navy-Reserve

Abigail Holt, US Navy

Nathan Bridges, US Air Force-Reserve

Paige Chrisman, US Air Force

Nathaniel Doan, US Marine Corps

Anthony Worst, US Marine Corps

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Calendar of Upcoming Events—

Feb. 19 — Young at Heart Banquet, Woods Cove building, 4:30 p.m. Sign up on the bulletin board to attend or to help.

One	
Measure	Wed. Bible Study
Of Our	Sun. Night Worship
Love	Budget \$7556.00

YOUTH EVENTS

Feb. 18 – Young at Heart Banquet prep and dinner at Woods Cove, 4:30 pm

Feb. 20-21 – Lock-In at Meridianville church of

Christ

Feb. 25-28 - CYC

March 25-27 – Spring Retreat at Camp Neyati



Our hearts are saddened to announce the passing of our Sister Ila Little on February 10th. A memorial service will be held on March 5th. Our sincere condolences go to Mark, Collin, in the Church Amanda, Brandi, Ella, and all their loved ones.

Buon Appetito!

Join us for an Italian Dinner to celebrate those who are Young At Heart on February 19th at 4:30 p.m. at Woods Cove Youth Center. Sign up by tonight (Wed.)





The Area-Wide Devo will be at Meridianville church of Christ & Area-Wide on February 20th. The theme is Moonlight Madness with speakers Lonnie Jones, Eric Lyons, & Scotty Sparks. This is a Lock-In that begins at 5

p.m. on Sunday and ends at 7 a.m. on Monday (which is President's Day). Sign up on the bulletin board if you want to attend.



The Learning Center is in need of workers. If you are interested, please call Debra Wilhelm at 256-259-0005.

NEVER TOO LATE

American folk artist Anna Mary Robertson Moses (better known as Grandma Moses) began painting at the age of 78. She completed more than one thousand oil paintings depicting farm life and the rural countryside she knew so well. What a great lesson! It is never too late to start a new venture, especially if it is serving the Lord.

PUPPET PROGRAM - February 20, 2022

Narrator - Chad Brown

Teachers - Cynthia, Misti, Roger

- John Hollis, Joseph, Nina, Wendy

Chad's Chatter

Frogs

Have you ever heard the story about frogs and boiling water? Supposedly, if you drop a frog in boiling water that's still alive, the frog will jump out. It is too sudden of a change in temperature for the frog, so it will jump out. However, if you drop a frog in lukewarm or cold water, they will stay in it as it warms up and not jump out. This is even to the point of the water reaching a boil. It is such a slow change that the frog will stay in the water even unto death. I have never tried this experiment and I don't think I ever will, but I've heard this happens, so the story had to start somewhere.

You may think, "Well that's just a frog with a little bitty frog brain, of course a human wouldn't do that." Well, I think you're right. As it got too hot we would want out, I believe. However, are we really that different with sin in our lives? As we are surrounded slowly by sin all around us, sometimes Christians become numb to things like GOD'S name in vain, or what someone is wearing, or words that are used. We forget how awful that word is because we hear it more and more every day. We slowly become surrounded by sin in our lives and we get comfortable in it, just like the frog. It feels like we're safe because we've slowly been converted over to a life filled with the world. Remember, we are supposed to be in the world, not of the world. There is a difference, for sure!

Hosea 7:8-10 Ephraim mixes himself with the peoples; Ephraim is a cake not turned. Strangers devour his strength, and he knows it not; gray hairs are sprinkled upon him, and he knows it not. The pride of Israel testifies to his face; yet they do not return to the LORD their GOD, nor seek Him, for all this.

2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that JESUS CHRIST is in you?-unless indeed you fail to meet the test!

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WORSHIP. Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. BIBLE STUDY...... Sunday 9:00 A.M.

and Wednesday 6:30 P.M.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS. Tuesday 10:00 A.M.

Those to Serve...

SUNDAY, February 20, 2022 **Announcements: Nick Ledbetter**

Song Leader: Chad Brown Prayer: John A. Porch Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Rabon McCormack Speaker: Terry Broome Closing Prayer: Ted Crona

Ushers: Roger & John Hollis Myers

P.M. SERVICE:

Song Leader: Mark Price **Scripture: Preston Dover** Prayer: Ed Clayson Speaker: Terry Broome

Lord's Supper: Russell Wilhelm & Ernie Brockway

Closing Prayer: Brad Wilhelm

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Scripture: Tim Allen

Song Leader: Kenneth Beard

Prayer: David Precise

CONTACT ELDER: Pat Russell OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:

Nelson Page

If you are unable to serve, please call: Dave Precise 256-599-6668

The Learning Center Pre-School (Infants - 4 yrs.) **Debra Wilhelm, Director ◊ 259-0005**

First Class

If you go to worship to hear something other The Word of God (the Bible) never changes

You have gone for the wrong reason. If you hear something other,



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There is an Eye that never sleeps

God the Omniscient

There is an Ear that never shuts

Beneath the wing of night;

James Cowden Wallace

That Ear doth hear the sparrow's call;

That Love is ever nigh

That Arm upholds the sky;

That Eye unseen o'erwatcheth all;

When earthly loves decay.

When human strength gives way

There is a Love that never fails

There is an Arm that never tires

When sink the beams of light.