

Today's Speakers:
AM Kevin Failing
PM Song Service

Those Privileged To Serve:

Announcements: Leroy Kennell
 AM Song Leader: Mark Miller
 AM Prayer: Jim Miller
 Lord's Supper: Willard Ellison, Mark Miller,
 David Turnmire
 PM Song Leader: Various Men
 PM Prayer: Tim Winters
 Lord's Supper: Mark Miller
 Wed Song Leader: Matthew Winters
 Wed Invitation: Tim Winters

Records For Last Week:

Contribution: \$1484
 Weekly Bible Readers: NA
 Sunday Bible Study: 21
 AM Worship: 40
 PM Worship: 25
 Wednesday Bible Study: 23

Building Cleaning For Next Sunday:
 Not Available at Time of Printing

Prepare Communion For July 2009
 Minnie Kennell



BIBLE QUESTIONS
(Answers Next Week)

21. Is covetousness idolatry?
22. What is the "root of all evil"?
23. Can you quote 1 Timothy 6:6-12?
24. Who told us to go to the ant and "consider her ways, and be wise"?
25. Who decided his barns were too small?
26. Who talked about gathering up the fragments "that nothing be lost"?
27. In whose school did Paul teach?
28. Where is the statement that God's people were "destroyed for lack of knowledge"?
29. What sinner departed for Damascus with slaughter in his heart and became a saint?
30. Who is the first drunk man of whom we read?

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Back to the Bible

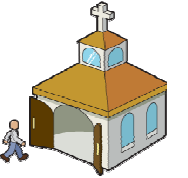
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Times of Services:

Sunday

Bible Study:.....10:00am
 AM Worship:.....11:00am
 PM Worship:.....6:00pm

Wednesday

Bible Study:.....7:00pm

Radio Program

Sunday:.....9:35am
 "Back to the Bible"
 AM 580 WSKS

12th Annual Lectureship

"God's Plan for Salvation"
 September 25-27, 2009

**We Extend A
 Warm & Cordial
 Welcome
 To All Our Visitors!**

Often we hear this phrase in the form of a statement about those who are not members of the Lord's church. We hear: "If we can just get them coming to church." It is a statement that has always bothered me. I realize such a statement is made without thought. First of all, it is a misleading statement. It lends it's emphasis to an understanding that "just coming to worship or Bible classes" is the same as "coming into the church." Nothing could be further from the truth. Just coming to worship services is not the same as coming into the Lord's church. There is a way to "come into [the]church." Luke recorded: "...the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:47). The way to be added to the "church" is through the gospel plan of salvation. The last act of that plan is baptism. Baptism remits sin, washes away sin, saves the sinner; but, it is also part of becoming a member of the body of Christ, the church: "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:13). Another problem with the statement is that it implies that "if we can just get them coming to church they will be alright." Again, nothing could be further from the truth. One cannot sit in worship services for years and be all right. Sitting in worship services does not make one a Christian any more than sitting in a chicken house will make him a chicken.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Fellowship Meal – Following Morning Worship -- Today
- July 5 – Men’s Business Meeting and Ladies Bible Class – Following evening services.

Those Needing Our Prayers:



“The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much” (James 5:16).

Travis Cooley (burns)
Leroy Kennell
Savannah Bedenbaugh
Joe Allen Turner
Nancy Howell
Amanada Winters
Heather Earp
Rita Douglas & Family
Michael Wilcox & Family
Kelly Wolfe

Ayden Cooley (burns)
Mark, Linda & Kiana Miller
VBS
Christy Grogan
Kaleb Davis
Denise Church
Kendra Mabe
Dorothy & Edgar Wilcox
Jesse Matkins & Family
Brandy Lewis & Family

Eugene & Lucille Kidder
Tom & Della Jones
David Boone
Steven Winters
Jim Winters
Brentlee West
Greg & Linda Holman (travel)
Tammy Fagan & Family
Liz Wyrick

Our Shut- Ins

Mary Turner – Margate Health & Rehab; Room #415A, 540 Waugh St., Jefferson, NC 28640

Answers to Last Week’s Bible Questions

11. **Damascus.** Acts 9:20-21.
12. **Galatians.** Galatians 4:10-11.
13. **Lystra.** Acts 14:19.
14. **Paul.** Acts 16:10.
15. **Exodus.**
16. **Luke 10:25-37.**
17. **Jericho.** Hebrews 11:30.
18. **Martha, Mary, Lazarus.** John 11.
19. **Jesus.** Luke 10:42.
20. **Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2; Revelation 1:10.**

How did you do? Did you get them all?

There is again the gospel plan of salvation that must be obeyed. It is true that in hearing the gospel preached, they might obey, and that is the reason we invite them to our worship services. However, the statement “coming to church” is misleading. We imply that coming to church services is the same as being “in the church,” or, worse yet, we imply that the church is only what goes on in our worship rituals. Such is a terrible misunderstanding of what the Lord’s church is. By now you probably think this is a lot of nit-picking. But think about how we have a tendency to use phrases which are absolutely misleading. To do so is almost as bad as teaching a false doctrine. The worst problem is that too many times members of the church who are participating in sins they are unwilling to give up are invited to “come to church,” and through a slow process of absorption they are accepted into fellowship by the congregation without having repented of their ongoing sin(s). There are quite a few congregations who have absorbed (fellowshipped) brethren who are living in a state of adultery or some other sin(s). From time to time brethren rebel against an eldership and fall away. Later another congregation will get them “coming to church” and eventually they are fellowshipped (absorbed) without having repented of their rebellion. Such activity on our part is as unscriptural and as misleading as any false doctrine taught by any false teacher. To allow someone to come and just sit in our presence without concern for their soul’s salvation will cause that person to die without salvation. To encourage some brother/ sister to come sit in our presence without repenting of their past rebellion (especially to allow them to remain active in their sins) is to destroy a soul with false hope. We become as guilty party to their sins as they are, perhaps moreso. God help us to stand courageous with the truth that will help save their souls.

John D. Cotham

Bible Wordsearch

Luke 16:1-15 No.166

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Psalm 68

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