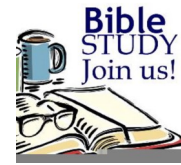


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Ophal Parker	
William Kirk	
Christine Trice	



Thursday Morning Bible Class meet at 10 am in the Vance Fellowship Hall. Zoom Meeting ID # 845 419 1034 or call in number is 1 (301) 715 – 8592 Meeting ID 845 419 1034 . YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE FOR MEETING ID and PASSCODE.



NOTES



John and Ann Cole will celebrate their **23rd Wedding Anniversary on TODAY.**

Jehonathan & Andrina Childs will celebrate their **15th Wedding Anniversary on April 16th.**

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Let's Make Use of Our Evangelism Card Sending Ministry!



If you have a family member, coworker, neighbor or friend who is going through a special event in their lives (sickness, surgery, death, birth, graduation, etc), please give the name and address to Bro. Hayes or to the church office and they will receive cards from this ministry for at least two weeks. Several of you have turned in prayer requests, but we ask you to add to that by submitting the names for our card sending ministry. However, remember that these are for people who are not members of the churches of Christ. We are attempting to use this as a tool of evangelistic outreach.



WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

Joshua 1:9

EAST JACKSON JOURNAL

Consistently about the business of Bridging Across To Bring Them In, To Build Them Up, To Become Of Benefit All to the glory of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

Matthew 28:18-20

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April 14, 2024

A friendly, caring congregation ready to serve and teach the bible to East Jackson and beyond the glory of God.

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Bruce Ingram
Cedric Hampton, Sr*

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Blanks Branick*

*Media Ministry
Kenneth Mercer*

*Outside Ministry &
Transportation Ministry
Morris Denwiddie*

*Worship Ministry
Jackie Dodson, Sr.
Terry Smith*

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Involvement Ministry
Tony Black*

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Patrick Willis*



Coping With the Death or Loss of a Loved One (Part 2)

If the people we love are taken from us, the way to have them live on is to never stop thinking about them. The death of a loved one is a journey that we all must travel. Are you equipped for the journey? The articles for this month are designed to assist us with the journey after the death of a loved one. In the first article, I gave the following three suggestions to assist: (1) **be thankful**, (2) **be reflective**, and (3)

be resolved. Allow me to briefly highlight three additional ways to cope with the death of a loved one.

Believe you will make it. For some, after the death of a loved one, the loss is so great that they don't think they are not going to make it. After weeks and months, the pain has not diminished much. At this time, it's imperative to develop a mindset that you are going to make it. In **Mark 9**, Jesus had an encounter with a father who didn't think that he was going to make it. After observing the suffering of his son for months or years, he reached an extremely low point in his life. In **verse 23**, Jesus says to him, "**if you can believe, all things are possible to him who believe.**" To cope with the death of a loved, it's essential to develop the mindset of believing you are going to make it. **Do you believe?**

Lean on your friends. Solomon says to us in **Proverbs 18:24**, "**there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.**" Thank God for friends! These are people who care and are willing to let you lean on them. Let your friends be empathetic, that is, let them be there for you to lean on until you can stand without their assistance. In **Mark 2**, Jesus tells of the consideration of four friends for their friend that I named Leroy. Leroy leaned on his four friends who carried him to Jesus. As a result of their faith and Leroy's faith, he was healed. It's okay to **lean on friends** when you are confused and hurting.

Remember God knows what you can manage. One of the verses that has helped me the most, when I have experienced the death of a loved one, has been **1 Corinthians 10:13**. The writer tells us, "**God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able.**" Able to what – to manage the tragedies of life. Live knowing Jehovah God Almighty knows your heart, and He is not going to allow anything to encounter your life, as long as you trust in Him, that you can't manage. God is complete dependable! Trust God to give you the strength that you need to make it through the things that He allows to enter into your life. **He knows what you can manage.**

Stay equipped for the journey of a loved one's death, because this will occur several times throughout your life. **May these suggestions help make your journey manageable!**

-Samuel Jones-

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Anthony Truelove (PM)

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BAPTISMAL WORKER

Joe Reeves



**Sunday Evening
Worship Service
at 5:30 pm.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Just a Friendly

Reminder:

Please get your announcement in to the **CHURCH OFFICE** by **Thursday noon**. Those who make the announcements on Sunday find it very difficult to review and organize their paper work when several members are coming up handing them information that should be have been turned in during the course of the week.

If a member deems announcement as important enough to be stressed in the public service, he or she should contact one of the elders.

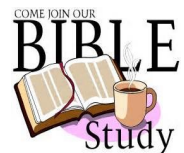
UPCOMING EVENTS



**Wednesday Evening Bible Class Schedule from Foundation
Study of 1 Corinthians**

April 17th - Lesson 7

April 24th - Lesson 8



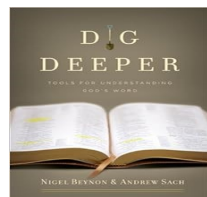
ATTENTION SISTERS!! WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

The sisters' Ministry is inviting each of "Our East Jackson Church of Christ Sisters" to attend a short meeting today, April 14th, immediately after Sunday School down front in the church auditorium. This meeting is to get sisters who are interested in working on our upcoming "Ladies Day Program" that's schedule for Saturday, May 18th. Also, we're asking for your help in assisting with some other pressing issues that will help us to serve "ALL" of our sisters that are in need!
If you are interested and willing to assist, please attend this important meeting, or you may contact Sis Doretha Blair later for more information.



Meigg St. Church of Christ in Corinth, Ms will host a Gospel Revival, "Revival at Conelius House" on Sunday, April 14th to Wednesday, April 17th. Speaker will be their minister Bro. Donald Woods. Sunday service with a luncheon at 12 :30 pm and revival service at 2 pm. Nightly services, Monday through Wednesday will start at 7 pm.

Dig Deeper Into God's Word with Allen Webster. North Jackson Church of Christ invites us to attend their 2024 Spring Gospel Meeting on April 28- May 1st. Sunday at 10 am; 6 pm Monday -Wednesday at 7 pm Tuesday morning bible class at 10 am. Check our the bulletin board for more topics.



LADIES DAY PROGRAM

Berea Church of Christ Ladies in Ramer invite us to attend their Ladies Day 2024 Saturday, April 20th at 9am with light Breakfast, Program at 9:30 am. Speaker will be April Butler Smith. Refreshments will follow program.



Unshaken! The Estes Church of Christ ladies in Henderson invite us to attend their **Ladies Day on April 20th** with Registration & Light breakfast at 8:30 am. Program begins 9 am. Speakers: Ashley Deffenbaugh, Kristen Hicks and Kelly Epperson from the Ruffled Mango. Lunch & childcare will be provided.



**2024 National Association of
Celebrated Seniors Conference**
Theme: Your Time to Shine

May 3-5, 2024

**Seminars, Speakers & Fellowship For Seniors and
Bridgappers.**

Place: Hilton St. Louis Airport Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.

Registration Forms are at the Senior Table.

Deadline for this April 15th.

**44th Annual Southeastern Youth
For Christ Conference**

Valdosta State University on

July 15 -19th , 2024.

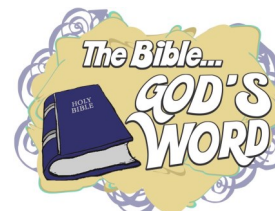
Theme: My Story Already Determined—

Destined for Greatness - Romans 8:37

Registration - Information -SERLcoc.org

\$50.00 Deposit due by May 30, 2024

Registration ends on June 30, 2024



**God Has Positive
Answers:**

For all the negative things we have to say to ourselves, God has positive answers:

You say: "It's impossible"

God says: All Things are possible . (Luke 18:27)

You say: "I'm too tired"

God says: I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28-30)

You say: "Nobody really love me."

God says: "I love you. (John 3:16 & John 13:34)

You say: "I can't go on."

God says: My grace is sufficient. (II Corinthians 12:9, Psalm 91:15)

You say: "I can't figure things out."

God says: I will direct your steps. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

You say: "I can't do it."

God says: You can do all things. (Philippians 4:13)

You say: "I'm not able"

God says: I am able. (II Corinthians 9:8)

You say: "It's not worth it."

God says: It will be worth it. (Romans 8:28)

You say: "I can't forgive myself."

God says: I FORGIVE YOU. (I John 1:9 & Romans 8:1).

..... Continue on next week

PRAYER LIST



Sis. Nella Ray, Brenda DePriest, Jessica Littleton, Marthenia Barbour, Jesse Anderson, Louvenia Walker, Kelly Clark, Terry Ragland, Janice Cole, Bernice Chatman, Lula Clark, Eunice Exum, Jennette Gladney, Ruth Ann Gray, Francheska Grimes, Angela Harvey, Lillie Hines, Elizabeth Harrison, Hattie Johns, Betty Jones, Shirley Jones, Paula Kirk, D. Jean Morris, LaGween McDonald, Everjean Parson, Brenda Pearson, Farris Phillips, Helen Pirtle, Earline Ramson, Barbara Reeves, Loustisha Richardson, Corene Steele, Rosie Trice, Vanessa Truelove, Jacqueline Waller, Barbara Warlick, Alice Williams, Bro. Edward Reed, Alberts Jeffries, Sr, Ernest Adams, Jr, Roger Bowles, David Greer, Julian Graham, Willian Branick, Samuel Glenn, Richard McClain, Julius McHaney, Ozie Pearson, Charles Person, George Steele, Daniel Terry, William Kirk are asking for prayers for health, strength and good test results.

Bro Gordon & Sis Mary Newsome , Sr, Bro. Emmett & Sis Bobbie Guess, Bro. Leon and Sis Ruth Womack, Bro William & Sis Rose Branick , Bro James & Sis Hazel Ragland are asking for prayers for health and strength.

Bro. Wayne Jones is now home resting. Please continue to pray for health and strength.



East Jackson Church Family

Please keep our family members in prayers. Plus those who ask for prayers on behalf of their family and friends who are dealing with health and medical issues.



To the family of Sis Agnes Owen of Bolivar. Services are incomplete at this time. Dixie Funeral Home in Bolivar is in charge. This is aunt of Sis Pauline Steele and family.

Color outside the lines of ordinary life,
Following the vision of life that
God has in mind; you'll be amazed at
The portrait that emerges.