

~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

| Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Service  | May 10, 10:00 AM           | May 17, 10:00 AM           |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Welcome - Announcements</b>  | Michael Hollis             | Michael Hollis             |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b>           | Michael Hollis             | Richard Harp               |
| <b>Song Leader</b>              | Russ Baker                 | Melvin Griffin             |
| <b>Preaching</b>                | Alfred Barnes              | Alfred Barnes              |
| <b>Preside Communion *11:00</b> | Bob White                  | Bob White                  |
| <b>Serving</b>                  | Jack Denney/William Carter | Jack Denney/William Carter |
| <b>Closing Prayer</b>           | Willie Green               | Joe White                  |
| <b>Prepare Communion</b>        | Vera Hannah                | Vera Hannah                |
| Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Service  | May 10, 11:30 AM           | May 17, 11:30 AM           |
| <b>Welcome - Announcements</b>  | Randy Harp                 | Randy Harp                 |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b>           | Randy Harp                 | Dylan Madden               |
| <b>Song Leader</b>              | Russ Baker                 | Eugene Sherman             |
| <b>Preaching</b>                | Michael Hollis             | Michael Hollis             |
| <b>Closing Prayer</b>           | Patrick Brown              | Levi Madden                |
| Wednesday Evening               | May 13, 7:00 PM            | May 20, 7:00 PM            |



**In Search of the Lord's Way**  
Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM

- 05/10 "No Other God"
- 05/17 "Your Enemy Satan"
- 05/24 "Glorifying God"
- 05/31 "Yes, We need God"

### What Must I Do To Be Saved?

|                                |                |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Realize I am lost              | Romans 3:23    |
| Hear the Gospel                | Acts 15:7      |
| Believe the Gospel             | Mark 16:15-16  |
| Repent of sins                 | Acts 17:30     |
| Confess Christ                 | Romans 10:9-10 |
| Baptized for remission of sins | Acts 2:38      |
| Remain faithful                | 2 Peter 1:5-11 |

### Record of Attendance

**May 3, 2026**

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Sunday Bible Study    | 34         |
| Sunday First Worship  | 55         |
| Sunday Second Worship | 19         |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 22         |
| Contribution          | \$2,900.00 |

Enter to Worship - Leave to Serve

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*"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple"* Psalm 119:30

- SUNDAY**
- Bible Study 9:00 AM
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Worship 10:00 AM
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship 11:30 PM
- WEDNESDAY**
- Bibe Study 7:00 PM
- Ministers
- Alfred Barnes 678.593.6657
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### A Mother's Day

Mothers of faith instill faith in their children and are praised by God for their godly service (2 Tim. 1:5). As we honor our mothers today, please notice some of the things with which a mother's day ought to be filled.

**A day of joy.** The day of giving birth to new life is a great day of joy and gladness (Jno. 16:21). Yet, even while motherhood brings joy it is also attended with sorrow. Mary, the mother of Jesus, had great sorrow as she witnessed her son Jesus being horribly mistreated (Lk. 2:34-35).

**A day of love.** Godly mothers seek the welfare of her children before herself. She "watches over the ways of her household" with love (Prov. 31:27). Blessed is the family whose mother wraps her children in the security of warm affection and constant care (Titus 2:4).

**A day of instruction.** Mothers are daily teachers of the next generation. Her words, values and character are instilled in the hearts and lives of her children. Mothers, be careful to teach your children "with wisdom" and the "law of kindness" (Prov. 31:26).

**A day of devotion.** Hannah devoted herself to giving her son Samuel to the Lord (1 Sam. 1:11, 22, 27-28). Your children will not be Christians by accident. Mothers, you have a tremendous part in the faith of your children. If you are not devoted to God it is unlikely your children will be. Set them a godly example every day. They will "rise up and call (you) blessed" (Prov. 31:28).

*The Love of God in 2026"*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Jo Copeland** - requested prayers for her daughter Nicole from Miami, FL.. She has been diagnosed with cancer and it has spread all over her. She is currently undergoing brain radiation. Keep this family in your prayers.

**Debbie Richards** - suffered a light stroke and is now in rehab in Oneonta, AL.. Let's all remember Debbie and Scott in our prayers. Her address is 509 Braswell St., Sneed, AL 35952.

**Henrietta Murphy Jones** - will be pursuing other treatments options. She will meet with her surgeon on Monday. Continued prayers are needed as she works through her health options and decisions.

**Rosalyn Curseen** - is able to do physical therapy 2 days a week, which is great to hear. She needs continued prayers as well as her husband, **Michael Curseen**. He continues with Infusion Treatments every 3 weeks for the next 2 years. He is doing well with them.

**Continued Prayer List:** Courtney Matthews, Jim and Maxine Howell, Jimmy Denney, Brenda Goebel, Bernice Harris, Brenda Millsap, Russ Baker, Billie Pouncy, Archie Robinson, Christian and Cory Curseen, Paul Pacchioli, Havanna Goebel, Marcia Woodbury, Steve Smith, Vernetta Jones, Don Cheek, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Mary Woodbury, Willie Mae Brown (Carla Robisons mother), Alfred and Lenior Barnes (parents of Alfred Barnes), Erika Lee Nepal (Havanna Goebels daughter), Erika Lees father, Ervin Lee, Vera Pollard

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tara Directory** - Copies of the Tara Directory are available for you at the Security Desk.

**Project Outreach** - "The Unity of the Bible" tracts are available on the Security Desk for outreach. There is an abundance of "Spiritual Sword" and many other great tracts available for your taking. Let us work to save the lost!!

**OUTREACH** - We will be preparing bags for the homeless quarterly. There is list on the bulletin board, and much is still needed. Bring in your donations so they can be prepared. Michael Hollis is overseeing this outreach program.

**May 16th** - Every (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday) of the month at 10 AM, the ladies will meet for prayer and fellowship. This is held at the fellowship hall. See Mitzi for details.

**May 18th** - On the (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays) at 7:00 PM, began a new study; The Bible: A Portrait of Redemption. It will be at the home of Henrietta Murphy Jones. Her address is in the Tara Directory.

**June 7th- L.I.G.H.T. Fellowship Meal.** Our menu is Italian and Salads. Sign the menu sheet in the foyer what dish you'd like to bring. Come enjoy great food and fellowship!!

### Elder's Comments

Tara is blessed to have preachers and teachers who love the Lord and His church. They also love the gospel they teach and preach. Whether from the pulpit or the classroom, we can know what we hear proclaimed is the truth that frees us from sin's strong hold. Like the apostle Paul, they recognize the pure gospel of Christ is God's power, and only power, for salvation in this sinful world (Rom. 1:16). Some congregations are not so blessed, as preachers and teachers are influenced by the ideas and doctrines of liberalism. Do you encourage our teachers and preachers for the time and effort they put into teaching us the word of God week after week?

*The Elders*

## Victory In Christ

The temptation to sin is all around us, everyday, everywhere. Sin seems so powerful in our world. With alcoholism and drug abuse on the rise; with sexual sins so commonly accepted, one can easily see that Satan has a death grip on the world. And the church is not immune to sin either. It often gains a foothold in the hearts and lives of God's people. *"Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; but exhort one another daily, while it is called 'Today', lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin"*. (Heb.3:12, 13) The power of sin is very real, and it can be discouraging to those trying to overcome it.

The power of sin makes us feel as if we are fighting a losing battle. But there is victory over sin that each of us can claim. *"But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ"* (1 Cor. 15:57) The victory that can be ours involves several things.

**Victory over sin's guilt.** In Christ we are bound no longer by the guilt of our sins. *"If we walk in the light....the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin"*. (1 John 1:7) The blood of Christ keeps us cleansed and free from guilt. However, the condition is that we walk in the light. God is light (v5), and his word is light. (Ps. 119:105)

**Victory over sin's slavery.** We are freed from the practice, or lifestyle, of sin. Paul asked, *"How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?"* (Rom. 6:2) Of course, we continue to sin in weak moments. We fail in many respects as John 1:8-10 reminds us. But for the faithful Christian slavery to sin is over. We are no longer in the sinning business.

**Victory over sin's temptation.** *"....God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation, will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it"*. (1 Cor. 10:13) Temptations continue to come, but in Christ we have the power to resist and overcome them.

**Victory over sin's consequences.** *"There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit"*. (Rom.8:1) We may suffer temporal consequences for the sins we have committed, and we may have to live with them for the rest of our lives. However, through Christ we do not have to suffer the eternal consequences of them.

In Christ there is true and complete victory over sin. And how does one get into Christ? *"For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ"*. (Gal. 3:27) If you are not in Christ, do you not want to gain the victory he promises. *"The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Rom. 6:23)

*"O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever; He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood. He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him; He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood"*.

*Richard*