

Privileged to Serve

Preaching.....Bill Collins
 Announcements..... Byron Madison
 Song Leader Shannon Finley
 Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer Dick Vinson
 Lord’s Supper
 Randy Rives * * Byron Madison
 Corbin White * * Paul Allen
 Closing Prayer Rob Warren

Evening

Opening Prayer..... Charles Dooley
 Lord’s Supper
 Randy Rives * * Byron Madison
 Closing Prayer Dwight Callens

Communion to Shut-Ins

None at this time

Communion Preparation

Month of October..... Cindy Harper
 Month of November..... Sandy Vinson

Service Times

SUNDAY

Bible Study9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study6:00 p.m.

Elders

DWIGHT CALLENS.....(601) 527-7149
TOM FAIR (601) 681-8293

Deacons

ALBERT ST CLAIR (601) 626-7815

Preacher

BILL COLLINS..... (337) 515-2385

Works Supported

Robert Martin
 &
Stacey Ferguson
 South Pacific Missions

Pine Vale Children’s Home
 Corinth, Mississippi

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Bible Class	*
Sunday Morning Worship	103
Sunday Evening Worship	30
Wednesday Bible Study	51

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,171.00

* Figures Unavailable



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Meridian Messenger

Welcome Visitors!

“Reasons to Desire Heaven”

I don’t tire of dreaming of heaven. Daydream with me a little more . . .
 What’s so great about heaven?

I want to go to heaven to meet the people of the Bible.

I have studied and preached the characters of the Bible so often that I feel that I know them. And you have likely heard sermons about them and read of them so much that you feel the same way.

Have you considered that you may live across the street from Abraham? You may be a next-door neighbor to Matthew, and pass Peter’s house on the way to see Paul. You may have Sunday lunch with Job, Joshua, John, and Jeremiah. You may sit next to Sarah, Solomon, Samuel, Stephen, and the Samaritan woman in a worship service.

Jesus said “that many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 8:11; cf. Hebrews 11:16). Think of seeing the names from Hebrews 11 on the mailboxes on your street: Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Sarah, Joseph, Moses, Amram, Jochebed, Rahab, Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthae, David, Samuel, Isaiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel.

Think of having conversations with all the New Testament characters such as Matthew, Barnabas, Luke, Silas, Cornelius, Nicodemus, the thief on the cross, and the widow who gave two mites. For years we have read about them, and when we get to heaven we’ll finally get to meet them. We’ll have time to get to know every one of them on a first name basis.

We’ll get to:

- Ask Adam what he thought when he first laid eyes on Eve (Genesis 2).
- Ask Noah what it was like living in that floating zoo for a year with all those animals—and what it was like to turn them loose and see them scamper away on the refreshed earth (Genesis 6–9).
- Ask Abraham and Isaac to show us how the knife was poised before God stopped the human sacrifice (Genesis 22).
- Ask David to demonstrate how he slung the rock that killed Goliath (1 Samuel 17).
- Ask Moses to show us again how he parted the Red Sea. Perhaps we can even get the Israelites who were there to re-enact the entire scene.

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