

### Privileged to Serve

Preacher .....Bill Collins  
Announcements..... Terry Dyer  
Song Leader .....Paul Guy  
Attendance ..... Terry Dyer/Jacob King

#### Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer ..... Terry Dyer  
Lord's Supper

Presiding

\*Randy Rives

Assisting

Lamar King \* \* Charles Dooley  
Ralph Hubbard \* \* Jacob King

Closing Prayer ..... Mike Cumberland

#### Evening

Opening Prayer..... Terry Dyer  
Lord's Supper

Lamar King \* \* Charles Dooley  
Closing Prayer ..... Tom Fair

#### Communion Preparation

Month of May ..... Glenda Rives

Month of June.....Renée Cumberland

### Service Times

#### SUNDAY

Bible Study .....9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship .....5:00 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study .....6:00 p.m.

### Elders

DWIGHT CALLENS ..... (601) 527-7149

TOM FAIR ..... (601) 681-8293

### Deacons

LAMAR KING ..... (601) 604-2656

BUILDING/GROUNDS

BYRON MADISON ..... (601) 934-1213

YOUTH

RANDY RIVES ..... (601) 513-4785

EDUCATION & WORSHIP

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 23

Sunday Morning Worship 51

Sunday Evening Worship 28

Wednesday Bible Study 28

### Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 1,833.60

### Daily Bible Readers

May 22, 2016 \* ☺

\*Figures Unavailable



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~ Meridian Messenger ~

Welcome Visitors!

## “Are You Ready?”

*Death Can Come At Any Age! 2, 24, 56, or 91 (?)*

When I preached in Lake Charles, Louisiana, I found myself thinking about death more than I had ever thought about it. Some of our family in Mississippi had died and several were dying in our church family in Lake Charles. Occasionally, I would preach about death because I was forced to think of it often.

In the last few months several friends have died or lost love ones, reminding me again that maybe we need to think of death, to help us keep focused on what is really important! Death is for certain! Jesus Christ is the only one I know who has come back from the grave and told us how to live our lives to be ready for our own death. I choose to put my faith in Jesus Christ because of His resurrection. What about you? Remember death can come at any age.

On December 8, 2015, Daniel Whitworth, son of Michael and Sara Whitworth, died at the age of 2. Michael is an associate minister with the church in Keller, Texas. His deceased dad, Daniel, was a long time preacher in Mississippi and once worked with the Magnolia Messenger.

Death visited Starkville on December 18, 2015, taking the life of Jeffrey Jinkerson at the age of 24. Jeffery had just completed a BS degree in Missions from Freed-Hardeman University. His parents, Perry and Sylvia Jinkerson, work with the campus program of the church at Mississippi State University.

Several weeks ago, I was in Quitman, MS and spoke to the church.

Richard Gooch, who had preached for this church for many years before his retirement, had been sick. He just happened to attend that Sunday. I enjoyed my visit with him. Later, I learned that brother Gooch passed away, at the age of 91, on December 21, 2015.

Just this week, Dan Spencer died at the age of 56. He was killed in an auto-motorcycle accident. Dan and his parents, Carl and Vera Spencer, attend the Siwell Rd congregation in Jackson, Mississippi.

*(Our sincere sympathy to each of the families. God bless.)*

Whether you are 2, 24, 56 or 91, death can come to you/or your family in the blink of an eye. We need to be ready. Are you ready? *Author unknown ~ from Magnolia Messenger, Spring 2016*



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