

Privileged to Serve

PreacherBill Collins
Announcements..... Bruce Clopton
Song LeaderPaul Guy
Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer Terry Dyer
Lord's Supper

Presiding

*Dwight Callens

Assisting

Lamar King * * Lee Beech
Ethan Clopton * * Dick Vinson

Closing Prayer Rob Warren

Evening

Opening Prayer Lamar King
Lord's Supper

Lamar King * * Lee Beech
Closing Prayer Jack Mears

Communion Preparation

Month of August Kitty Dooley
Month of September Beth Dyer

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	42
Sunday Morning Worship	79
Sunday Evening Worship	29
Wednesday Bible Study	32

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 1,889.00

Daily Bible Readers

August 7, 2016 17 = 21.5% of attendance

*Figures Unavailable



August 14, 2016 ~ Meridian Messenger ~ Welcome Visitors!

“Christian, Be Quiet”

I don't know that I have ever heard a sermon on the need for quiet. Yet, the Bible teaches that God will “*quiet you by his love*” (Zephaniah 3:17). Peter lauds the need for “*a quiet spirit, which is very precious in God's sight*” (1 Peter 3:4).

Habakkuk instructs all people “*...the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.*” (Habakkuk 2:20)

We need to stop talking so we can listen. We need to turn off the screens so we can meditate on God. We need to shut off the radio, CD player, iPod and turn down noise of life so we can truly hear God's word.

Being quiet helps us to concentrate on what needs to change in our hearts, minds and lives. So often the voices of worldly passion, selfishness, lust, fear, hatred are present within us. We have skillfully ignored them so long that they blend in with noise of life. As Christians, we can silence those worldly callings as we put off the old man and put on the new.

T.O. Chisholm penned these beautiful words that teach just what I'm trying to say:

*Buried with Christ, my blessed Redeemer,
Dead to the old life of folly and sin;
Satan may call, the world may entreat me,
There is no voice that answers within.*

*Dead to the world, to voices that call me,
Living anew, obedient but free;
Dead to the joys that once did enthrall me - -
Yet 'tis not I, Christ liveth in me.*

Quiet forces us to listen to our inner man as he calls us to reform our character. Many of us don't hear our own soul's cry to seek God's saving grace.

We've turned up the distraction volume knob squelch the pains of guilt and remorse and the cry for repentance.

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