

### Privileged to Serve

Preacher .....Bill Collins  
 Announcements..... Bruce Clopton  
 Song Leader .....Andy Duncan  
 Attendance ..... Terry Dyer/Jacob King

#### Morning

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

Presiding

\* Randy Rives

Assisting

Charles Dooley \* \* Lamar King

Gene Hurst \* \* Ralph Hubbard

Closing Prayer ..... Mike Cumberland

#### Evening

Opening Prayer..... Lamar King

Lord's Supper

Charles Dooley \* \* Lamar King

Closing Prayer .....Randy Rives

#### Communion Preparation

Month of March .....Sara Dooley

Month of April.....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

ANDY DUNCAN..... (662) 416-2222

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 29

Sunday Morning Worship 62

Sunday Evening Worship 30

Wednesday Bible Study 36

### Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,589.00

### Daily Bible Readers

March 5, 2017 22 = 35.48% of attending

\*Figures Unavailable



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Welcome Visitors!

## LESSONS LEARNED FROM A JIGSAW PUZZLE

By Steve Higginbotham

*“But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.” Ephesians 4:15–16*

1. When things aren't going so well, take a break. Everything will look different when you return (compare Mark 6:31).
2. Be sure to look at the big picture (John 4:35). Getting hung up on the little pieces only leads to frustration.
3. Don't force a fit (Philippians 2:4).
4. Perseverance pays off. Every important puzzle went together bit by bit, piece by piece (Exodus 23:29).
5. When one spot stops working, move to another (Ecclesiastes 11:6). But be sure to come back later (see #4).
6. The creator of the puzzle gave you the picture as a guidebook (2 Pet 1:3).
7. Variety is the spice of life. It's the different colors and patterns that make the puzzle interesting (Acts 10:34-35).
8. Working together with friends and family makes any task fun (Nehemiah 3:1-32).
9. Establish the border first. Boundaries give a sense of security and order (Proverbs 22:6).
10. Don't be afraid to try different combinations (Luke 5:4). Some matches are surprising.
11. Take time often to celebrate your successes—even little ones (Philippians 4:4).
12. Anything worth doing takes time and effort.
13. A great puzzle can't be rushed (Gal. 6:9).

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