

Privileged to Serve

PreacherBill Collins
 Announcements.....Randy Rives
 Song Leader Tom Fair
 Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer..... Dwight Callens
 Lord's Supper

Presiding

* Randy Rives

Assisting

Byron Madison * * Jared Agan
 Logan Miller * * Jacob King

Closing PrayerJack Mears

Evening

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

Byron Madison * * Jared Agan

Closing PrayerJared Agan

Communion Preparation

Month of January..... Sabrina Collins
 Month of February.....Beth Dyer

Nursery Attendant; Backup

January 28 Glenda Rives; Sabrina Collins
 February 4 Lara King; Katie Agan

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

ANDY DUNCAN..... (662) 416-2222
TOM FAIR..... (601) 681-8293

Deacons

LAMAR KING..... (601) 604-2656
 BUILDING/GROUNDS
BYRON MADISON..... (601) 227-1374
 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

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| Sunday Bible Class | 27 |
| Sunday Morning Worship | 61 |
| Sunday Evening Worship | 25 |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 26 |

Contributions & Other Income

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| Contribution Last Week | \$ 1,975.53 |
| Pine Vale Special 5 th Sunday | \$ |

Daily Bible Readers

January 21, 2018 * = % of attending
 *Figures Unavailable



January 28, 2018 ~ Meridian Messenger ~ Welcome Visitors!

Bathrooms, Marriage, Geese and Ganders

In June of 2016, Maya Dillard Smith, interim director of the Georgia chapter of the ACLU, resigned over that group's stance on who could use the women's bathroom. She was the mother of young daughters who had experienced firsthand the trauma of men barging into the girl's bathrooms. Mrs. Smith thought the position to be a bridge too far. She was fine promoting the ACLU's many progressive battles; until they finally picked a battle that stepped on her toes.



Are the rules good for everyone else... just not you?

One recalls stories of a Gospel preacher who preached for many years on the biblical stance on marriage and divorce, upholding the words of Jesus in Matthew 19: it is a sin to divorce and remarry, except in cases of adultery. But then his own child divorced and remarried. Suddenly, his views on the subject became more "modern." Not being willing to condemn his own child, he changed his doctrinal stance. He was fine supporting the position until it stepped on his familial toes. And then he wasn't.

There's an old saying, what's good for the goose is good for the gander. That is, what's good for one person is good for another. The way you want others treated is a fair way for them to treat you and you should not seek to apply a standard to others that you don't want to live up to yourself.

Jesus said something very similar. "Judge not, that you be not judged. For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you. And why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye, but do not consider the plank in your own eye?" (Matthew 7:1-3; NKJV)

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