Privileged to Serve PreacherBill Collins Announcements...... Bruce Clopton Song LeaderAndy Duncan AttendanceTerry Dyer/Jacob King Morning Scripture/Opening Prayer..... Dick Vinson Lord's Supper Presiding * Dwight Callens Assisting Lamar King * * Ralph Hubbard * Byron Madison Gene Hurst * Closing Prayer.....Stan Raley Evening Opening Prayer......Jared Agan Lord's Supper Lamar King * * Ralph Hubbard Closing Prayer...... Mike Cumberland **Communion Preparation** Month of February.....Beth Dyer Month of MarchKathy St. Clair

	Service Times
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Nursery Attendant; Backup

February 18......Angela Duncan; Lara King

February 25 Glenda Rives; Sabrina Collins

Bible Study6:00 p.m.

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Attendance Last Week

Sunday Bible Class	31
Sunday Morning Worship	56
Sunday Evening Worship	*
Wednesday Bible Study	*

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,330.00 Pine Vale Special 5th Sunday \$ N/A

Daily Bible Readers

February 11, 2018 * = *% of attending
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"Without Me You Can Do Nothing"

On the night of His betrayal, our Lord spoke the following words to His apostles:

"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing." John 15:4-5

The majority of the world's religious population is not branches of the true Vine. Yet, many of these folks have accomplished great things that benefit mankind. But our Lord said, "Without Me you can do nothing."

The scientific world is full of unbelievers in the God of the Bible, yet science has enjoyed remarkable achievements throughout the past two hundred years. Still, our Lord said, "Without Me you can do nothing."

The education profession is overrun with humanists who say that each individual is his own god. More people in the world today are being educated than at any time in the history of man. Yet, Jesus said, "Without me ye can do nothing."

Since so many folks from all walks of life who are not Christians have accomplished so many seemingly great things in life, was our Savior incorrect when He said, "Without Me you can do nothing?"

No! Not at all! The above achievements are merely **fleeting moments** — none of which have any eternal value. In order for what man does to be acceptable before God, it must be pleasing to God, and it must be done by the authority of the Vine (Colossians 3Z17).

Those folks who are without Christ are those who have the most difficulty facing the hardships of life.

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