

Privileged to Serve

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

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer.....Byron Madison
 Lord's Supper

Presiding

* Randy Rives

Assisting

Charles Dooley * * Tim Beech
 Jacob King * * Logan Miller

Closing Prayer.....Rob Warren

Evening

Opening Prayer.....Charles Dooley

Lord's Supper

Charles Dooley * * Tim Beech

Closing Prayer.....Jack Mears

Communion Preparation

Month of May.....Kitty Dooley

Month of June.....Linda Bullock

Nursery Attendant; Backup

May 20.....Glenda Rives; Sabrina Collins

May 27.....Lara King; Katie Agan

Wednesday Evening - May 23, 2018

Prayer/Announcements.....Randy Rives

Song Leader.....Tom Fair

Devotional.....Andy Duncan

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

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

Sunday Bible Class	35
Sunday Morning Worship	76
Sunday Evening Worship	17
Wednesday Bible Study	35

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 1,911.00

Daily Bible Readers

May 13, 2018 19 = 25.00% of attending

*Figures Unavailable



May 20, 2018 *Meridian Messenger* Welcome Visitors!

New Relationships; New Behaviors

On May 19 the long anticipated wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle will take place at Windsor Castle. For better than a year, the couple has been at the center of news reports from the tabloids to CNN. Royalty will do that.

When Meghan officially marries into the royal family, there are some new guidelines she must adhere to. She cannot sign any autographs or have any personal presence on social media. She must control her emotions — no public display of affection (kiss, hug or handholding) with Harry and no crying in public. She cannot vote or express any partisan political view. Meghan cannot accept money from any type of work, cannot privately play Monopoly, and is forbidden to join any church other than the Protestant Anglican Church. In formal settings, she is to always walk two steps behind Prince Harry. Some of these seem bizarre, but all have well intentioned explanations.

As we become citizens of the kingdom of God and take our place in His royal family, there are some behavioral changes that are expected of us as well. Colossians 3:1-12 describes these changes with the imagery of changing clothes — some things have to be put off, while others are put on. The apostle Paul tells Titus, “For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age” (Titus 1:11-12).

Far from arbitrary or traditional, all of the requirements set forth by God are for our personal good and to insure the honor of the real king — Jesus Christ.

(Don Loftis via *Encourager*, a monthly publication of *Church of Christ at Calvert City, Calvert City, KY ~ May 2018*)

Colossians 3 reads:

¹If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. ²Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. ³For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, *who is our life*, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. ⁵Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: ⁶For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: ⁷In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. ⁸But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. ⁹Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; ¹⁰And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him: ¹¹Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: but Christ *is* all, and in all. ¹²Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; †

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