

Privileged to Serve

Preaching To Be Announced
Announcements Bruce Clopton
Song Leader Andy Duncan
Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer Byron Madison
Lord’s Supper

Presiding

* Charles Dooley

Assisting

Jared Agan * * Lloyd Smith

Dick Vinson * * Ralph Hubbard

Closing Prayer Jacob King

Evening

Opening Prayer Tom Fair

Lord’s Supper

Jared Agan * * Lloyd Smith

Closing Prayer Rob Warren

Communion Preparation

Month of December Kitty Dooley

Month of January Kitty Dooley

Nursery Attendant; Backup

December 16 Lara King; Katie Agan

December 23 Katie Agan; Angela Duncan

Wednesday Evening – December 19, 2018

Prayer/Announcements Andy Duncan

Song Leader Randy Rives

Devotional Tom Fair

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

Works Supported

Robert Martin

Stacey Ferguson

South Pacific Missions

Pine Vale Children’s Home

Corinth, Mississippi

Attendance Last Week

Sunday Bible Class 32

Sunday Morning Worship 63

Sunday Evening Worship 25

Wednesday Bible Study 37

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,440.00

Daily Bible Readers

December 9, 2018 * = % of attending

* Figures Unavailable



December 16, 2018 *Meridian Messenger* *Welcome Visitors!*

Alone Together

A fascinating struggle is taking place as I write this article. Two men are attempting to walk across Antarctica, unsupported.

This is something that has never been done before, even though other people have tried it. In fact, a man died while attempting it two years ago. He was 126 miles away from the finish line. Colin O’Brady, American and Louis Rudd, British, are attempting to become the first person to traverse Antarctica with no help along the way from anyone. They will take their supplies with them, pulling a sled behind them. They are wading different paths—alone, together.

They know about one another, and have talked, but they are not walking together. They are just doing the same thing at the same time. If it is done, only one of them will be the first.

Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/11/11/sports/antarctica-race.html>

This present-day adventure reminds me of our lives before God. We are given talents, time and opportunities. We know others around us but we cannot live their lives for them and we cannot take the blame for their mistakes. We all stand on our own account.

As the Bible says, “each one must bear his own load” (Galatians 6:5). Interestingly, in that context, we are told that we can and should help one another bear their burdens (Galatians 6:2).

This means, that unlike O’Brady and Rudd, we can have support along the way. We need encouragement, sympathy and help. We are sure to find it from our brother and sisters (Romans 12:9-15).

But when it comes to that accountability issue, we are alone. We make our decisions and we act according to our beliefs and circumstances. Thus, we are responsible. Near the end of his life Paul wrote, I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith . . .” (2 Timothy 4:6, emphasis mine, LC). You and I also have a course that we will traverse and that course will come to an end as well. Paul also wrote in 2 Corinthians 5:10, “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.”

We are walking together, but we will stand before God alone.

Thankfully, the blood of Christ gives the faithful Christian the victory! (1 Corinthians 15:56; Revelation 2:10).

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