

Privileged to Serve

PreachingRay Reynolds
 Announcements Randy Rives
 Intro-Prayer.....Lamar King
 Song Leader..... Andy Duncan
 Attendance..... Terry Dyer/Jacob King

Morning

Scripture/Opening PrayerByron Madison
 Lord's Supper

Presiding

* Dwight Callens

Assisting

Charles Dooley * * Lloyd Smith
 Dick Vinson * * Jared Agan

Closing Prayer.....Jacob King

Evening

Opening Prayer Tom Fair

Lord's Supper

Charles Dooley * * Lloyd Smith

Closing Prayer..... Rob Warren

Communion Preparation

Month of FebruaryLinda Collie

Month of MarchAngela Duncan

Nursery Attendant; Backup

February 17..... Katie Agan; Angela Duncan

February 24..... Angela Duncan; Lara King

Wednesday Evening - February 20, 2019

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 24

Sunday Morning Worship 41

Sunday Evening Worship 15

Wednesday Bible Study 26

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,142.00

Daily Bible Readers

February 10, 2019 * = % of attending

*Figures Unavailable



February 17, 2019 *Meridian Messenger* Welcome Visitors!
Whose Side Are You Fighting On?

One of my favorite songs at VBS and church camp as a kid was *"Whose Side Are You Fighting On?"* Did you ever sing that song? You could change the words fighting to also say serving, living, and working, etc. and at the end everybody say, "I'm fighting on the Lord's side." I'm not sure why, but I loved that song. Have you ever thought about whose side you're fighting on?

It is said that when the British and French were fighting in Canada in the 1750s, Admiral Phipps, commander of the British fleet, was told to anchor outside Quebec. He was given orders to wait for the British land forces to arrive then support them when they attacked the city. Phipps' navy arrived early. As the admiral waited, he became annoyed by the statues of the saints that adorned the towers of a nearby cathedral, so he commanded his men to shoot at them with the ships' cannons. No one knows how many rounds were fired, or how many statues were knocked out, but when the land forces arrived and the signal was given to attack, the admiral was of no help because he had used up all his ammunition shooting at the "saints."

It's important to know whose side we are on. We need to realize the difference between our allies and our foes. Paul says, *"Our fight is not against people on earth but against the rulers and authorities and the powers of this world's darkness, against the spiritual powers of evil in the heavenly world"* (Ephesians 6:12 - NCV). The apostle goes on to encourage us to take up the *"whole armor of God"* to fight against these evil powers of darkness.

Like Admiral Phipps, I fear that too often we waste all of our ammunition firing at the saints. And when the Lord calls us to the real battle we are forced to surrender under the attack of our real enemy. **I Peter 5:8** warns us that Satan is out there waiting to devour us. Are we ready for his attack? Remember that Jesus tells us if we are not with Him, we are working against Him (**Luke 11:23**). Whose side are you fighting on?