

### Privileged to Serve

Speaker ...Byron Madison (am); Singing (pm)  
 Announcements/Prayer..... Terry Dyer  
 Song Leader ..... Andy Duncan  
 Attendance..... Terry Dyer/Jacob King

#### Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer ..... Randy Rives  
 Lord's Supper

#### Presiding

\* Dwight Callens

#### Assisting

Charles Dooley \* \* Ralph Hubbard  
 Jacob King \* \* Byron Madison

Closing Prayer.....Jack Mears

#### Evening

Opening Prayer ..... Ralph Hubbard

#### Lord's Supper

Charles Dooley \* \* Ralph Hubbard

Closing Prayer..... Tom Fair

#### Communion Preparation

Month of August.....Linda Bullock

Month of September ..... De'Lena Rushing

#### Nursery Attendant; Backup

August 4 ..... Katie Agan; Angela Duncan

August 11 ..... Angela Duncan; Lara King

#### Wednesday Evening – August 7, 2019

Prayer/Announcements..... Terry Dyer

Song Leader..... Tom Fair

Devotional.....Byron Madison

### 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 68

Sunday Evening Worship 35

Wednesday Bible Study \*

### Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 2,264.00

### Daily Bible Readers

August 4, 2019 \* = % of attending

\*Figures Unavailable



August 11, 2019 *Meridian Messenger* Welcome Visitors!

## The Holy Spirit from Pentecost to Present

There are hundreds of Scriptures that tell us about the work of the Holy Spirit in Bible times. On the day of Pentecost, around 33 AD (**Acts 2:1-4**), the Holy Spirit had a significant role in the birth to the Church as a body of living members where the risen Christ serves as Head (**Romans 12:4-5, I Corinthians 12:12, 27, Ephesians 1:22, 4:4, 5:23, Colossians 1:18, 24**). The foundation of the Church is the death and resurrection of Christ (**I Corinthians 12:12-27, Ephesians 1:20-23, 2:15-16**). In a way, one might say the "new man" is the Church. Jesus, Himself, told His disciples the kingdom of heaven was within them (**Luke 17:21**). However, what does that mean for us today? What is the application of all we have learned?

The Holy Spirit was sent to possess and indwell the church of the living God as the temple of God. Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would NEVER leave His people and the Bible teaches that He indwells the whole church and individual believers simultaneously (**John 14:17, Romans 8:1, 11, I Corinthians 6:19 -20, II Corinthians 1:22, Ephesians 2:19-22**). Why? As we previously noted, the Holy Spirit blesses and gives gifts for Christians to experience spiritual life, fruitfulness and service. True spiritual life is brought to us by the spirit of God (**John 15:1-8, Romans 8, Galatians 5:22-23**). I heard a preacher once say, "The life of Christ is the law of the Spirit but it makes the Holy Spirit the fruit-bearer, and makes us a fruit-wearer, because our spiritual life is in Him."

Jesus was clear in His command to the apostles when He said: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." (**Acts 1:4-5**) Everything they were trained for was about to make sense. They would be filled with ... ~continued inside~

*Hide thy face from my sins,  
 and blot out all mine  
 iniquities. Create in me a  
 clean heart, O God; and  
 renew a right spirit within  
 me. Cast me not away from  
 thy presence; and take not  
 thy holy spirit from me.  
 Restore unto me the joy of  
 thy salvation; and uphold  
 me with thy free spirit. Then  
 will I teach transgressors  
 thy ways; and sinners shall  
 be converted unto thee.  
 Psalm 51:9-13*

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