

Privileged to Serve

Speaker ...Byron Smith/Gulf Coast Bible Camp
 Announcements/Prayer.....Byron Madison
 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..... Rob Warren

Evening

Opening PrayerLamar King

Lord's Supper

Charles Dooley * * Ralph Hubbard

Closing Prayer.....Jacob King

Communion Preparation

Month of August.....Linda Bullock

Month of September De'Lena Rushing

Nursery Attendant; Backup

August 18.....Glenda Rives; Brandie Madison

August 25.....Lara King; Katie Agan

Wednesday Evening - August 21, 2019

Prayer/Announcements.....Byron Madison

Song Leader.....Lamar King

Devotional.....Charles Dooley

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 22

Sunday Morning Worship 45

Sunday Evening Worship 18

Wednesday Bible Study 23

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ 1,879.00

Daily Bible Readers

August 11, 2019 * = % of attending

*Figures Unavailable



August 18, 2019 *Meridian Messenger* *Welcome Visitors!*
The Holy Spirit Anoints Us

Jesus spoke of the Holy Spirit dozens of times in His ministry. In the latter part of the gospel of John, before His death, He sought to clarify the coming of the Holy Spirit. In those verses He also explains His role. *“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on His own; He will speak only what He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come. He will bring glory to me by taking from what is Mine and making it known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will take from what is Mine and make it known to you.”* (John 16:13-15)

If you have studied about the role of Christ Jesus, then you know He came to reveal the words of Father. As Jesus begins to close His earthly ministry, He seems to be symbolically passing the torch to the third part of the Godhead (the Holy Spirit). Many of the roles Christ fulfilled on earth the Holy Spirit would also fulfill. However, while in the flesh, Jesus walked beside the disciples. The Holy Spirit was coming to reside inside of them. He was not coming in flesh, but to live inside our flesh. *“And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness. And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.”* (Romans 8:9-11)

There are many benefits to having the Holy Spirit inside of us as Christians. One benefit is the anointing of God (which we have not covered thus far in this series). Anointing is the initial act of the personal indwelling of the Holy Spirit. At our baptism, when we are saved from our sins by being cleansed by the precious blood of Christ (Acts 2:38-39), we are given the seal and anointing of the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13-14, 4:30, II Corinthians 1:21-22, 5:5). What we do with that anointing is up to us! The Bible gives us several stories about the anointing of prophets, priests, and kings. In a round-about way we as Christians fulfill all of those roles as we preach, serve, and lead in the church.

Why don't we think of our walk as an anointed walk? Maybe you've heard televangelists and popular religious speakers discuss their "anointing." Maybe you viewed that with skepticism, which you should (Matthew 7:15-16, 20), but do not dismiss the biblical teaching of God's anointing.

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