Privileged to Serve
Speaker To Be Announced
Announcements/PrayerRandy Rives
Song LeaderAndy Duncan
Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King
Morning
Scripture/Opening PrayerByron Madison
Lord's Supper
Dwight Callens *
Lloyd Smith*
Dick Vinson
Jacob King
Closing PrayerJack Mears
Evening
Opening Prayer Ralph Hubbard
Lord's Supper
Dwight Callens *
Lloyd Smith*
Closing PrayerRob Warren
Communion Preparation
Month of MarchAngela Duncan
Month of April Kathy St. Clair
Nursery Attendant; Backup
March 22 Angela Duncan; Lara King
March 22Glenda Rives; Brandie Madison
Wednesday Evening – March 25, 2020
Prayer/Announcements
Song Leader Andy Duncan
DevotionalJared Agan
<b>,</b>
Service Times
SUNDAY
Bible Study
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study6:00 p.m.

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Attendance Last WeekSunday Bible Class14Sunday Morning Worship37Sunday Evening WorshipcancelledWednesday Bible Study18
Contributions & Other Income
Contribution Last Week \$ 2,310.75
Daily Bible Readers
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## s Meridian Messenger « March 22, 2020 Welcome Visitors! A Ready-Made Prayer List

Most of us carry a cellphone. It can be a reference tool for finding anything from restaurants to residences. It can be a spellchecker or a notebook. We have become so dependent upon it we are "lost" without it.

However, cellphones work best when they are used for the primary purpose for which they were intended—to call other people. It is with this in mind that we turn to our contact list. Even the most simple flip-phone has one. We have, at our finger tips, the names and phone numbers of our parents, children, siblings, friends, as well as people with whom we have various relationships. In fact, a running joke is that most of us really don't know the phone number of our spouse, we just click the button under their name and we call them! This great convenience comes as a result that wonderful contact list.

Now, let's think about something else we could do with our contact list. Consider again all the people whose names are on there—spouses, children, friends—people we care about. What if we were to use our contact list on our phone to pray for them? Now, you probably already pray for the people previously mentioned, but what if you expanded your prayer list to include people beyond family and friends?

If you are like most people I know, you have anywhere from fifty to five hundred names on your contact list. Those names might include your doctor, dentist, optometrist, etc. Wouldn't you want to pray for those who take care of your physical health and that of your family? How about job contacts—your employer, employees, coworkers? Don't you think of them in terms of concern for their spiritual and physical welfare?

The fact of the matter is that sometimes we become so involved in our "small world" of people and things just within our reach, that we just pray for the same people and concerns most of the time. While praying through our contact list, however, we could move from names from one letter of the alphabet from day to day or week to week.

As with so many things we can do spiritually, praying through a list is not a mandatory thing, or even a necessary thing. In fact, you will want to supplement it because you likely do not have the contact information for special needs that are brought up from time to time. But think about it—your phone is with you constantly-you can pray about people you love deeply with a gentle reminder-or you can pray for that friend you have not seen in months, maybe years.

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people" (1 Timothy 2:1). Lance Cordle *The Encourager* Calvert City Church of Christ