

Privileged to Serve

Speaker ... Andy Duncan (am); Tom Fair (pm)
 Announcements/Prayer..... Randy Rives
 Song Leader Tom F. (am); Andy D. (pm)
 Attendance.....

Morning

Scripture/Opening Prayer
 Lord's Supper

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Closing Prayer.....

Evening

Opening Prayer
 Lord's Supper

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Closing Prayer.....

Communion Preparation

Month of April
 Month of May.....

Nursery Attendant; Backup

April 4.....Lara King; Katie Agan
 April 11Katie Agan; Angela Duncan

Wednesday Evening - April 7, 2021

Prayer/Announcements.....
 Song Leader.....
 Devotional.....

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

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	cancelled
Sunday Morning Worship	31
Sunday Morning via Live-Stream	18
Sunday Evening Worship	13
Sunday Evening via Live-Stream	28
Wednesday Bible Study	18

Contributions & Other Income

Contribution Last Week \$ *

*Figures Unavailable



April 4, 2021

Meridian Messenger

Welcome Visitors!

Personal Truth?

A family is divided. Members of the family are interviewed and allowed to say whatever they wish. Before the interview is even broadcast, the testimony of one of the interview participants is labeled as “her personal truth.” When other members of the family challenge her version of events, people are puzzled and wonder who is telling the truth.

In a circumstance completely unrelated to the one above, a book is written by a young woman and in it she alleges physical and verbal abuse by at least one member of the household. The family owns a business and public opinion of the family and company is highly valued. So, another member of the family writes a book which contains information that conflicts with the contents of the first book. Are both books seen to be volumes of personal truth?

As people who live and exist in today’s world we are confronted on every hand with a dilemma—is there objective truth? Because of the consequences of an affirmative to that question, a large segment of people will say something like, “No. There is really is no such thing as objective truth.” They will try to maintain that several truths may exist about a subject, or they say that people have their own, personal truth about matters. The reason for such a stance is that popular culture, contrary to logic, insists that truth cannot exist because, that would mean someone (them?) is lying. Yet that same culture maintains lying is wrong (when someone else is doing it). But if absolute truth does not exist, how can lying ever exist, or be wrong? Confused? Who wouldn’t be?

Truth is generally defined as information that fits reality. We know there is truth, and we seek truth in most every situation that is important to us. However, truth can also be harsh. No one wants to hear, “You have a disease that will soon end your life.” But denying the truth does not make it go away. So, what shall we do? First, seek the truth on any matter. Our laws and government are based on truth. Any relationship is strengthened by truth. Secondly, seek the truth on religious matters. Test the Bible; let it and the evidence for it, speak. Jesus affirmed that God’s word is truth (John 17:17). Thirdly, speak the truth to yourself (Galatians 6:7) and others (Ephesians 4:25).

Ponder the power and impact of the statement, “Have I then become your enemy by telling you the truth?” (Galatians 4:16)

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