

# SERMON: WHEN FAITH FAILS



"But my brothers  
who went up with  
me made the  
heart of the  
people melt; yet I  
wholly followed  
the Lord my God."

(Joshua 14:8, ESV)

April 19, 2026

**PRAYER REQUESTS:****Mary Bishop** ~ recovering at home**Mike Dopson** ~ recovering from an illness**Gene Hallmark** ~ UTI/Blount UAB**Ken Moore** ~ cancer/surgery on 6/3**Joshua Tubbs** ~ radiation treatments**Jake Vaughn** ~ surgery on 5/7**Joanne Jones** ~ mother of Kim Strange, procedure on 4/23**Methel Shobe** ~ mother of Lynn Shobe, medical issues/hospital**SYMPATHY:**

Our thoughts & prayers go out to **Brandon Rowell** in the death of his grandfather, Norman Oakes. Also, to **Angie Logan & Kristy McGough** in the death of their aunt Kathy.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Welcome **William, Kelly & Robert Powell** to our church family. We are blessed to have them worship & work with us.

**45<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY:**

We will have a **Special Sunday on May 3** to recognize the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Decatur Highway. Our speakers will be Billy Camp, Drew Kizer & Scott Patterson. Morning service at 9:00 am, Bible class at 10:15 am, Potluck Luncheon at 11:00 am & Afternoon service at 12:30 pm.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Today** Kids Bible Time ~ 5:00 pm  
**Apr 22** Ladies' & Men's Bible Class ~ 10:00 am  
**Apr 23** Men's Breakfast Devo ~ 6:30 am  
**Apr 25** Outside Workday ~ 8:00 am  
**Apr 25** Ladies' Activity ~ 10:00 am  
**Apr 26** Kids Bible Time ~ 5:00 pm  
**Apr 28** Church Wide Fasting Begins  
**Apr 29** Ladies' & Men's Bible Class ~ 10:00 am  
**Apr 30** Men's Breakfast Devo ~ 6:30 am

Last Week's Attendance: AM – 304 PM – 181 Contribution: \$ 13,037

Bible Reading This Week: Galatians 5-6, Ephesians, Philippians &amp; Colossians 1-2

**Thinking of You Greeting:** Stacey Eakes and Methel Shobe

**Agape Coin Cans:** Available on the table in the foyer. Due in May.

**Baby Sprinkle & It's A Girl:** We are collecting diapers, wipes & gift cards for Ryan, Isabel & baby girl, Jasmyrn, Tucker. Leave gifts in the foyer by Today.

**Backpack Buddies Program:** Thank you to everyone that donated items. We have enough at this point to finish out the school year.

**Graduate Recognition:** We will honor our Graduates (Brody Hill, Asa Kizer & Blake Strange) on Sunday, May 3 during our potluck luncheon.

**Kids Bible Time:** Will be Today at 5:00 pm for 2 years-2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

**Ladies' & Men's Bible Class:** This Wednesday, April 22 at 10:00 am.

**Ladies Freezer Meal Prep Event:** Will be This Saturday, April 25 at 10:00 am. Additional info on the signup list. Sign up by Today.

**Magnolia Festival:** Thank you to everyone that donated their time to serve in the tent & art classes. Let's pray that the seeds planted will bear fruit.

**Men's Breakfast Devotional:** This Thursday, April 23 at 6:30 am. Bring your own breakfast.

**Men's Retreat:** Will be August 14-16 at the Gulf Shores Beach Retreat. See sign up. There will be a Meeting on Sunday, May 3 after lunch for more info.

**Teen Activities:** Area Wide Retreat is May 1-3 at Hargis Camp - Signups on the website/app.

**Workdays:** We will have an outdoor workday This Saturday, April 25 beginning at 8:00 am (bring lawn/garden tools). We will have an indoor workday on Saturday, May 2 at 8:00 am (bring cleaning supplies). Also that day, we will be working on hanging our new lights. All help will be greatly appreciated.

**Youth Camp:** Our week of camp is July 5-10 at Maywood Christian Camp. Register at [maywoodchristiancamp.com](http://maywoodchristiancamp.com). For more info, see Jordan.

### **THANK YOU NOTE:**

"Thank you all so much for the messages, prayers & love sent to Gene & myself. We read the cards & enjoy them all. He is currently in Blount UAB because of a UTI & some c-diff but is doing well. He will probably be in rehab for a few weeks & hopefully get a lot stronger. We miss everyone at church services & everything." **Love, Gene & Wanda Hallmark**

**AM Song Leader:** Asa Kizer

**AM Opening Prayer:** Doyle Beasley

**AM Closing Prayer:** Josh Heaton

**PM Song Leader:** Cody Gilbert

**AM Song Leader:** David Crawford

**AM Table Prayer:** Shane Sanford

**AM Scripture Reading:** John Allen

**PM Closing Prayer:** David Heron