ORDER OF WORSHIP

8:00 a.m.

Worship Service

Song Leader – Barry Rucker

Welcome – Jeff Morgan & David Burks

Sparrow's Promise – Andrew Baker

Song – Salvation Has Been Brought Down

Prayer – Ed McMullen

Song – Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Communion & Offering – Gene Luna

Song – I Love to Tell the Story

Scripture – Romans 10:14-18 – Winston Reed

"The Gospel to the End of the Earth" – Bruce McLarty

Song – The Gospel is for All

Shepherd's Prayer – Rick Harper

LAST WEEK

10/04/2020:

8:00 Worship— 225 / 11:00 Worship — 168

Bible Classes —dismissed / Children's Worship — dismissed

Worship p.m. —no count / Worship 7:15 p.m. —dismissed

FINANCES

Budget for 10/04/2020.....$51,500.00

Giving for 10/04/2020.....$45,205.41

Budget through Week 5.....$239,056.00

Giving through Week 5 .....$216,777.25

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Bulletin Deadline - NOON, THURSDAYS

October 11, 2020

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Doyle Kee and the Joy of Missions

In 2018, after 47 years of mission work in Europe and Africa, **Doyle Kee** settled into a routine of service and Bible Study at College Church before pneumonia took him suddenly on January 25, 2019.

I had not met Doyle before he joined the Caring-and-Sharing ministry. Subsequently I had the pleasure of recruiting him for a Communications Ministry video.

It's called "Talking About Missions." **Fred Jewel**, Foreign Missions Committee Chair, introduces a conversation between Doyle and Allen Diles, also a missionary and former member and elder at College Church. It was posted on the church website in late 2018, not long before Doyle's death.

The video is 15 minutes of talk, a few graphics, and some photos of bygone mission days. I recommend you watch it, and here's why:

Doyle and Allen deserve respect for their missionary careers, and their conversation provides practical insights into the relationship between sponsoring churches and missionaries. But I hope you watch mostly because, for me, the video ends with a powerful vision of future spiritual bliss.

It occurs when Doyle asks this question: "What is the final purpose of all this preaching, all these conversions?"

His answer is simple but momentous: to bring all nations before the throne of God in praise. Allen catches his enthusiasm, and the two trade passages from Revelation.

Doyle quotes from chapter 15: "Who will not fear O Lord and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed" (4).

He then exclaims, "The 'revelation' is us!"

He means that we in the church—senders and goers—are partners in the long history of God revealing Himself to his creatures, in order to reconcile all to Him. The Book of Revelation describes in various images the awesome, celebratory, and eternal gathering of God's children, who, as John puts it elsewhere, finally "see him as he is" (I John 3:2).

Both men convey joyful anticipation, but I am struck especially by Doyle's face, so near his own passing. It seems "beatific." I suddenly understand his motivation for 47 years of labor. I am looking at a man who is more than "one degree of glory" (II Cor. 3:18) ahead of me in his readiness to join the heavenly chorus.

John Williams

Click here to see video

GREAT COMMISSION SUNDAY

Great Commission Sunday (October 25) is only two weeks away! Since the beginning of GCS, we have raised almost $2 million dollars for good works that go beyond our fiscal budget. We again have the privilege of making a collective expression of faith. GCS is not a day when we ask, “How much can we do?” but instead, “How much can God do?” This year’s goal is $142,500. The works are worthy, and it is faith that will see them done.

ELDERS MEETING SUMMARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

- Prayed for specific needs in the church family;
- Prayed specifically for God to help us reach the lost, locally and around the world, and to thank God for our young families and their children and ask Him to send us more;
- Held both virtual and in-person meetings of the elders;
- Assigned the Steering Committee to investigate how to re-start Bible classes at the building and the 5:00 p.m. service on Sunday evenings;
- Approved Max Aubel as Campus Ministry intern for Summit;
- Approved limited use of kitchen facility with specific guidelines;
- Approved continued use of building for Harding classes in spring semester;
- Following report from the Steering Committee, approved resumption of 5:00 p.m. worship on October 4;
- Following report from the Steering Committee, approved resumption of Bible classes on October 18, pending Task Force input;
- Discussed the history and present status of the Chinese work that meets on the Harding campus.

WINTER COAT DRIVE

Our Coat Drive will be on Saturday, November 14, at College Church. We are currently collecting new and gently used coats. We offer coats to the parents as well as the children in our community. Please drop off your coats in the barrels in the Welcome Center.



PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayers:
Mary Bridges is in UAMS L721; **Mike Wood** is in UH 1307; **Gary & Suzan Hill’s** daughter Jenny; **Tim Westbrook’s** father, Wally Westbrook.

Sympathy:
Sylvia Bond, mother of **Angela Barber**, sister of **Jim Citty** and cousin of **Judy Clark**, passed away Saturday, October 3.

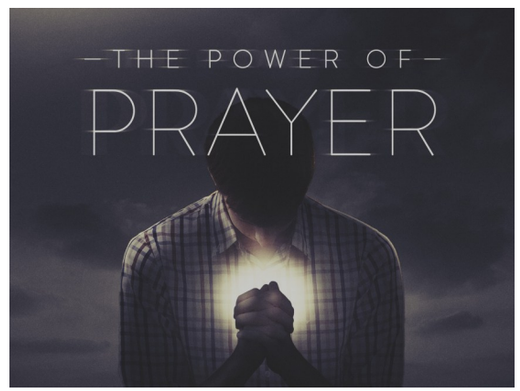
Jerome Barnes, husband of **Barbara Barnes** and father of **Roy Barnes**, passed away Saturday, October 3. Services were Tuesday at College Church.

Kenneth Huckeby, brother of **Kathleen Davis**, passed away October 2 in North Carolina.

Richard Poe, father of **Alisa Davidson**, passed away Sunday, October 4. Services were in Harrison, AR.

Sherman Goode, grandfather of **Scott Goode**, passed away September 29. Services were in Tennessee.

Former member Linda Tanner of Duluth, MN passed away September 12.



BIBLE CLASSES TO REOPEN OCTOBER 18

Bible classes for all ages are scheduled to reopen from 9:10 a. m. to 9:50 a.m., Sunday morning, October 18, if the Lord wills. The elders prayerfully made this decision in their regular meeting Wednesday, October 7. The Task Force specifies the need to follow health guidelines like the ones being used now in the Sunday morning services. Face masks, social distancing, careful seating arrangements, and other precautionary measures will be taken to protect against COVID-19.

No one should feel obligated to attend, but numerous members have indicated their desire to restart Bible classes for themselves and their children. The elders and Task Force will be monitoring the situation at all times and make adjustments in the plan as needed.

FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood Nursing & Rehab: **Ellen Brown** 104.
The House of Three: LR: **Bill Diles**.
The Crossing at Riverside: **Mable Carpenter** 309; **Louise Ganus**; **Eloise Muncy** 317B; **Margaret Parker** 212A; **Melodee Harris'** mother, Leorra Walker 305; **Joe Hurd's** mother, Patsy Hurd 216A; **Joe Jernigan's** mother, Joan Jernigan; **Sharon Manor's** father, Harvie Reynolds 105; **Sharon Manor's** mother, Opal Reynolds 114; **Danny & Mike Wood's** mother, Frances Wood 115A.
Oakdale: **Carolyn Boutell** 117; **Rick Boutell** 117.
Providence: **Lottie Nichols** 46A hospice; **Laura Smith** 308.
Searcy Healthcare: **Clarene Keesling** 82.

BRIDAL SHOWER

Please join us for a bridal shower honoring Holly Pettijohn and Weston Burks on Sunday, October 18, 2:00-3:30 p.m., at the home of **Debbie Gentry**. Weston is the son of **Bryan & Laura Burks**, grandson of **David & Leah Burks**, **Carol & Herman Hendon** and the great-grandchild of **Anna Carter**. This will be a covid friendly in-person shower, but the couple will greet outdoor drive-thru guests at 3:00 p.m. They are registered at The Boutique, Target, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Amazon and Zola. Gifts early please.



BIBLE CLASSES

John W. Smith's Holy Spirit class will NOT meet Tuesday, October 13.

The Wednesday afternoon Early Bird Class will restart on October 14 in Room 100 or the west side of the auditorium, depending on attendance. The class will be respecting health guidelines (mask, social distancing, etc.). The class will meet at 4:00 p.m. and continue the study of the Prison Epistles with **Howard Norton**.

HIS HOUSE NEEDS

His House needs soup pots, towels, pillows and wash cloths.

CHILDREN'S HOMES, INC.

Children's Homes, Inc. is seeking families interested in providing Foster Care in their homes. We are in particular need of families willing to care for older children (school age) and siblings, but families interested in helping a child of any age should attend. The Zoom meetings will give you details on what is required to become a foster family and will answer any questions you might have. You may attend either meeting:

Tuesday, October 20th from 6:30 – 7:30 pm

OR

Saturday, October 24th from 1:00 – 2:00 pm

If you are interested, email Lori Vandagriff at lori@childrenshomes.org or call our Searcy office at 501-268-4330 and let us know which date you would like to attend. We can then send you the link to joining us from your own home. Please give prayerful consideration to join us in the ministry of caring for abused and neglected children.

THANK YOU

Thank you for your prayers, kindness and expressions of concern and sympathy given during my sister, **Mary Reed's** illness and following her death. We are so blessed to be part of such a caring church family!

Harry & Cheryl Riggs