Life And Death — A Choice

By Mike Riley

Most of us have read about the infamous John Wilkes Booth, who assassinated President Abraham Lincoln in 1865. But have we ever read about Edwin Booth, John's eldest brother? Edwin Thomas Booth was a well-known American actor who one day was waiting at a Jersey City train station. All of a sudden, he saw a man slip and fall off the platform. Edwin quickly grabbed the man's collar and pulled him to safety — rescuing him from serious injury or death. Who was the man he saved? Abraham Lincoln's son Robert, a soldier in the Civil War.

Isn't it ironic that the man who saved Abraham Lincoln's son had a brother who would soon kill the president? One brother saved a life; the other brother took a life. One brother chose life; the other brother chose death.

In the Old Testament, the Lord gave His people a choice between life and death (Deuteronomy 30:15-20). They could love Him and obey His commands (Deuteronomy 30:16), or they could worship and serve other gods (Deuteronomy 30:17). He told them:
"I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life" (Deuteronomy 30:19).

Today, we too must choose between life and death. We can obey the conditions of salvation that Jesus has outlined in the New Testament and live with Him forever (1 Thessalonians 4:17; cf. John 17:24), or we can reject the salvation that Jesus offers and be in darkness forever without Him (Matthew 25:30; 2 Thessalonians 1:9). Dear reader, the choice is clear. Choose eternal life—the life found only for those "in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:26-28 KJV).

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Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

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Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Travis Rogers
Communion- Wayne Fowler
Sermon- Paul David Raymond
Opening Prayer- Rick Cook
Closing Prayer- Damien Miller

Next Sunday

Announcements- Wayne Fowler
Communion- Rick Cook
Sermon- Don DeLukie
Opening Prayer- Lyle Russell
Closing Prayer- Arthur Binford

Announcements

—There will be no PM services this evening.

—Veteran's Home Program: Our next Veteran's Home event will be held on **October 27th at 2:00 PM** and will be held on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 2:00 PM. If you would like to be part of this amazing program, please see Sandy VanLoon or Kari Johnstone.

—Ruston Student Center: On November 8th the Ruston Student Center will be conducting our AM Services.

—Check the Bulletin Board: Several Gospel Meetings and Ladies' Days are happening in our area. Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for more details.

Scan the QR code to visit our website.

—Children's Home Collection: Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.

Please Pray For:

Jolene Coffey, Vee Boren, Louvenia Dickson, Latonya Robinson, Toisha Bearden, Betty Sue Thompson, Michael Fox, Phillip Simmons, Crystal Wilson, Christy McDaniel, Katie Matheny, Lee Brantley, Debbie Jones, Steffan Washington, George Johnson, Charley Buckley.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Joanie Franklin, David & Elaine Reppond, Joyce Frith, Terry Atwood, Rhonda Rogers, Blayne Atkins, Chuck & Shannon Boyer, Jo Darris Collins, Carey Day, Leo & Shirley Goodwin, Arthur & Sybil Binford, Dan Ross Jr., Dena White, Larry & Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Dave & Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.

Bereaved: Families of Floyd Fountain, Bess Baker, Charlie Reeves.





October Birthdays

2 - Rick VanLoon
5 - Steve Arender
7 - Joyce McDonald
12 - Barbara Wheeler
14 - Kathy Manning
15 - Chuck Boyer
18 - Randal Freeman
24 - Jean Delukie
26 - Kari Johnstone
27 - Charles Fricke

October Anniversaries 8 - Brian and Kari Johnstone