

The Powerful Influence Of Our Lives

By Mike Riley

There's no doubt in my mind that I'm a Christian today because of the godly influence of my parents and grandparents in my early childhood. They taught me not only by example, but from the Bible as well. Just as Timothy was reminded by Paul of the faith of his mother and grandmother (2 Timothy 1:5), so I too recall the faith of my grandmother. Because of her godly example, on January 1, 1960, I rendered obedience to my Lord in baptism (Acts 2:38).

Strong influences can also come from people outside our family. I once knew a young man who became a Christian because he saw Christ living in the life of our Bible class teacher (Gal. 2:20).

In Acts 16, we read that Paul and Silas sang and prayed in a Philippian jail at midnight. When an earthquake broke open the prison doors, the jailer was so terrified that he was about to commit suicide, but Paul stopped him.

Seeing that the prisoners did not try to escape, the jailer fell down trembling and asked, "What must I do to be saved? (Acts 16:30). That day he and his entire household became Christians (Acts 16:32-33). Why? Because of the powerful influence of two men who were faithful to Christ.

The way we live does affect others – either for good, or for evil (contrast Genesis 18:17-19; 1 Samuel 2:22-25). Brethren, this is a sobering and challenging truth that should influence the way we as Christians act and speak each day of our lives (Matthew 5:13-16).



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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

5/22/22

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 worshipping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Elders:

Todd Chapman
Paul Simpson

Deacons:

Wayne Fowler David Garris
Billy Granger Buddy Hollis

Preacher:

Don Delukie

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Travis Rogers **Lord's Table-** Rick Cook
Opening prayer- David Reppond **Closing Prayer-** Ronnie Hayes

May 29th

Announcements- Lyle Russell **Lord's Table-** Paul Simpson
Opening prayer- Jerry McDonald **Closing Prayer-** Don Delukie

- Communion will utilize self-contained, sealed cups available in the foyer. **Please pick one up upon arrival.**
- Giving is available at a central collection container in the foyer or online at www.sterlingtonchurchofchrist.com.

Announcements

—**Question & Answer Series:** June 5th will be our next Question and Answer Series. Please submit your questions via the church email address SCOC2006@att.net or to Don.

PSALM 56:3-4

“When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?”

Please Pray For:

Bart Greenwood, Kimble & Barbara Binford, Billy Granger, Jeff Wright, Candy Ellington, Cindy Eaton, Barge Elmore, Connie Grenfell, Kase Summerhill, Leroy Russell, Roosevelt Rogers, Arlene Sumner, Bettye Flowers.

Bereaved: Families of May Miller, Billy George McKinnie, Bobby Fletcher.

Continue to Pray For:

Shirley Goodwin, Bobby Barker, Tricia Muse, Max Aubel, Donna Head, Debra Mike, Trey Jennings, Debbie Walker, Virginia Royal, Renita Thomas, Elizabeth Hollis, Cyndi Powell, Heath Ray, Terrance Dawson, Ann Bolden, Jamie Ross, Charlie McDaniel Jr, Lewis Bedele, Adam White.

I AM WITH
YOU *always*
Matthew 28:20



May Birthdays

5 - Larry Randolph
10 - Bettye Flowers
12 - Cheryl Brister
15 - Jerry McDonald
19 - Virginia Cook
19 - Buddy Hollis
24 - Linda Garris
30 - Walker Chapman
31 - Danielle Scharf

May Anniversaries

21 - David and Elaine Reppond
26 - John and Jodie Chisley
29 - Dave and Linda Garris

