

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. First Prayer	David Williams
A.M. Closing Prayer	David Duty
P.M. Prayer	Tracey Brantley
P.M. Closing Prayer	Joe Preaus
Lord's Table	* J. Rhodes, Chris Cook C. Gilbert, W. Hudson
Song Leader	Billy Anderson
Greeters	J.E. Albritton & David Duty
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Carolyn Cobb
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Jim Rhodes (9-1-21)

The Record Speaks	
Date	August 22, 2021
Bible Class	64
A.M. Worship	95
P.M. Worship	56
Contribution	--
Date	Aug. 25, 2021
Wed. Attendance	55

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Those to Serve Next Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Ron Hudoba
A.M. Closing Prayer	Dennis Milam
P.M. Prayer	David Duty
P.M. Closing Prayer	Joe Preaus
Lord's Table	* B. Braxton, S. Richardson J. Rhodes, Russ Brantley
Song Leader	Tracey Brantley
Greeters	Eddie & Pat Albritton
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Nora Nunnery
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Tracey Brantley (9-8-21)

Schedule of Events	
Aug. 29th thru Sept. 4th	
Aug. 29th	9:45 A.M. Bible Class 10:45 A.M. Worship 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship
Sept. 1st	12:30 P.M. Men's Prayer Group 7:00 P.M. Bible Classes
Benevolence:	Ron Hudoba – 368-4886 Tracey Brantley – 368-9106
VBS	– Third week in June every year

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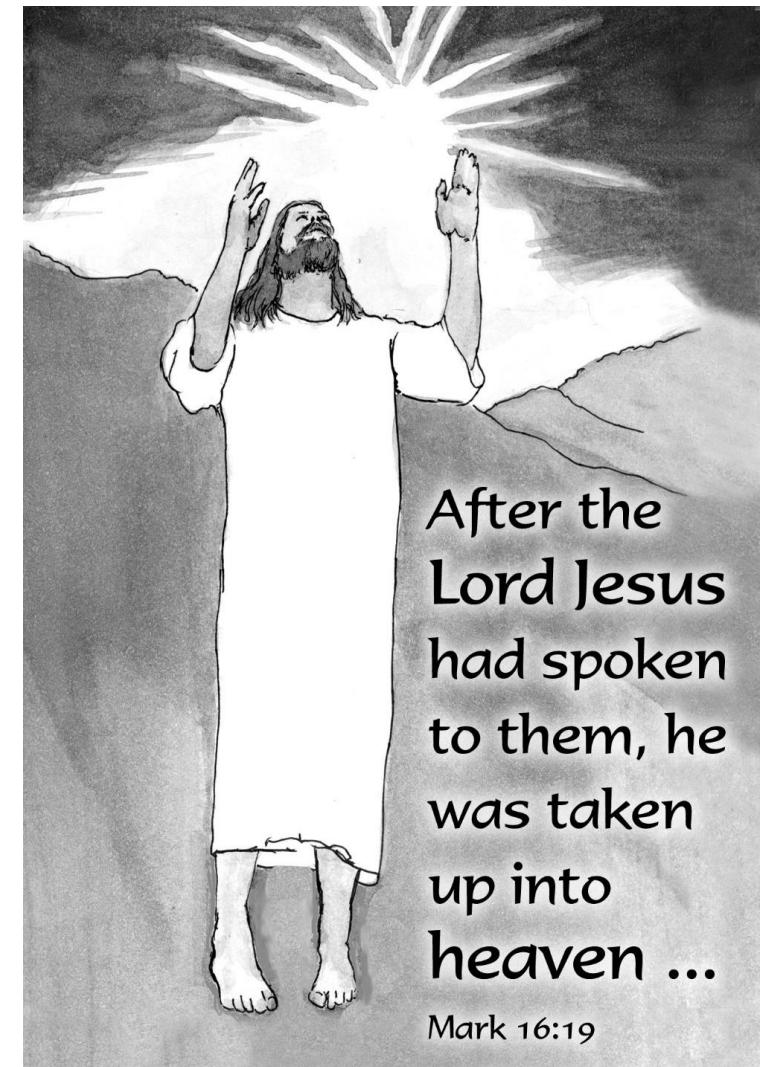
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To My Parents

Last year, my parents celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Trying to find the right gift was a real challenge.

My younger sister suggested a scrapbook filled with memories. Each sibling (there are eight of us), was given three pages to fill with anything we chose. Try as I might, I could think of nothing to put on my pages. I finally wrote them this letter.

To My Parents on Their 60th Anniversary:

How do I say thank you for all the love and caring over the years? How do I repay all the nights you stayed up when I was sick and all the floors you walked when I was late coming home? What can I give you for all the times you supported me in my triumphs and provided a shoulder when there were losses? What present is there for all the times we just sat together and shared our warmth? How do I thank you for the guidance when I was unsure of my way, and your restraint to allow me to find it myself? You nurtured my growth, yet allowed me my independence. How can I measure the worth of your love? What gift is enough?

The answer came to me today. No box can hold it, no wrapping can cover it, nor can a ribbon tie it. No store had it on a shelf. My gift is not to you, it is to my children. I promise to care for them when they are sick and walk the floors when they are late. I will share with them their victories and comfort them when there are losses. I will help them to grow, yet let them choose their own path. I'll be there when they need me and step aside when they must go alone.

And someday, maybe, they will come to me and say, "How can we thank you for all you have done for us?" And I will tell them, "Don't thank me. Thank my parents. For I am the product of their love, and you are my greatest gift to them."

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Because I Love Him

The day before my husband was to return home from a business trip my son said, "Mom! I want Daddy to come home." I asked him why, expecting him to say something about the presents his daddy usually brings back or that he missed playing ball with him. But with solemn seriousness he answered, "I want him to come back because I love him!"

His answer made me think about our Lord and His promise to come back. "I am coming soon," Jesus says (Rev. 22:20). I long for His return, but why do I want Him to come back? Is it because I will be in His presence, away from sickness and death? Is it because I am tired of living in a difficult world? Or is it because when you've loved Him so much of your life, when He has shared your tears and your laughter, when He has been more real than anybody else, you want to be with Him forever?

I'm glad my son misses his daddy when he's away. It would be terrible if he didn't care at all about his return or if he thought it would interfere with his plans. How do we feel about our Lord's return? Let us long for that day passionately, and earnestly say, "Lord, come back! We love You."

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You Need to Know

Birthdays this week:

Tuesday, August 31—Beverly Hearn

Wednesday, September 1—Anna Cobb Kinnison

Thursday, September 2—Julie Duty & Stephanie Brantley

Anniversaries this week:

Wednesday, September 2—R.L. & Doris Roller

Thursday, September 3—Bobby & Carol Fletcher & Travis & Lacie Blake

Mark your calendar! Heart Sisters' first meeting will be Thursday, October 7th at 6:00 p.m. here at the building. Bible study material will be distributed on the first Sunday of September.

The ladies Bible class is coordinating community service projects. We have adopted 2 elderly widow ladies in the community. We would like to give each lady a package every 6 weeks. A needs list is posted on the bulletin board in the back hall if you would like to donate an item or money to support this project. In addition, Bible study materials will be given to both ladies. Please bring your items for the first package by next Sunday, Sept. 5. If you have any questions, please see Pat Albritton.

A good friend will sharpen your character, draw your soul into the light, and challenge your heart to love in a greater way.

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Those in Need of Special Prayer

Letsy Everett

Doris Roller

Mattie Gray Bird

Joe Albritton

"Bee" Stewart

"Hoss" Brantley

Ashley Harrison

Pam Denton

Fennie Perkins

Sherry Taylor

Cooter Anderson

Lane Denton

Bobby Fletcher

Elaine Brantley

Fred Futch

William Wilson

Krew Martino

Roxanna Gill

Betty Perot

Asa Duty

Cathy Nall

William Colvin

Rita Huffstutter

Richard Farrar

Meade Phelps

Amie Smith-recovering

Emily Wilkes Harris

from cancer surgery

Bonnie Neese-has cancer-on hospice

Casey Cranford-injured in motorcycle accident

I Forgot to Pray

I got up early this morning,
It was time to start the day,
I had so very much to do,
I didn't take time to pray.

Troubles came tumbling on me,
Heavier became my tasks,
I wondered why God didn't help me,
He said, "Child, you didn't ask."

I tried to see truth and beauty,
The day stayed dark and bleak,
I wondered why God didn't show me,
He said, "Child, you didn't seek."

I tried to enter God's presence,
I used all the keys to the lock,
God tenderly, lovingly answered,
"My child, you didn't knock."

I got up early the next morning,
I made ready to start the day,
I had so very much to do, but—
I took the time to pray.

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