| TO SERVE TODAY: | AM | PM |
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| Opening Prayer | Mark Wright | Dale Ballentine |
| Song Leading | Keith Peevyhouse | Nick Bryant |
| Preside Lord's Supper | D Bryant, N Bryant | |
| Scripture Reading | Dylan Holt | John Henry Long |
| Closing Prayer | Noah Brasher | David Bryant |
| NEXT WEEK: | | |
| Opening Prayer | Nick Bryant | Dale Ballentine |
| Song Leading | Dale Ballentine | Keith Peevyhouse |
| Preside Lord's Supper | D Aden, F Mahan | |
| Scripture Reading | Josh Brasher | Dylan Holt |
| Closing Prayer | Mickey Keen | David Brasher |

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

| <u>SUNDAY</u> : | Bible Class Worship (Meet-Eat-Meet | 9:00 AM 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM t each second Sunday) |
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| <u>WEDNESDAY</u> : | Bible Study (Fellowship & d | 6:30 PM levo each fourth Wednesday) |



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The Follower

March 31, 2024

Moral Corruption

Often during our public worship, we pray for the leaders of our country that we may be able to continue to worship without fear. This is something that we ought to do. In fact, we need to pray not just for our leaders, but for all mankind (1 Tim. **2:1-2**). We currently live in an environment which is accurately described by several passages in the Bible. Our society is becoming full of those who "heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears" (2 Tim 4:3) because of the intense desire to "call good evil, and evil good" (Isa. 5:20). It is easy to see the similarity between Paul's description of God having given up the Gentiles to perverseness and wickedness (Rom. 1:18ff), and the cultural and religious slide we are on in our beloved country. We are no longer "one nation under God," because we can no longer truthfully say "in God we trust." Just as has been the case with every world power, the USA is on the precipice of falling away from what made us great. I believe the fall is due to two main reasons.

First, we are corrupt from the top down. Our elected leaders are more concerned with greed, power, and re-election than in governing our country and making godly decisions. Our government is comprised of those who do not even blink when telling a lie, and will court even the most perverse groups of potential voters in order to win the next election. Over the past several decades we have seen God and morals removed from our state and federal courts and legislatures, as well as our public schools. We are being forced to accept adultery, gambling, drugs & alcohol, and even homosexuality as normal under the guise of tolerance and political correctness. This has emanated from the leadership.

Second, we are corrupt from the bottom up. Things which used to make our parents and grandparents blush to even whisper are now commonplace at school and in public. We want movies which are filled with sex, violence, and vulgar language because they are "more realistic." Televisions and computers, which ought to be useful for family entertainment, research, and education are the funnels for the massive pornography industry to lure our society down the path to moral destruction. And the sad part is that we lap it up. Untold billions of dollars are spent each year on pornography, drugs, alcohol, and gambling, and while Las Vegas may still be "sin city," much of what goes on now is in the privacy of homes via TV and internet.

As Christians, we must be the shining lights in the world, reflecting the light of Jesus. Our lives should exemplify Him, and we should continually be prayerful for ourselves, our country, and especially the lost. Let's get to work.

~Freeman

America has a tendency, as Israel did, to forget Who brought us to where we are. ~John DeBerry (at PTP)

Remember in Prayer ...

- **Pam**'s procedure is scheduled for Tuesday.
- The MRI to check behind **Olivia**'s eyes is scheduled for Tuesday.
- **Ronnie Belew** was airlifted from his home in Brownsville to the Jackson hospital Thursday night when his heart stopped after having undergone a prostate procedure earlier in the day. He is in ICU.

PRAYER LIST: Miss Mary; Monte & Sandy; John Henry; Dennis Foster; Kevin Wright (Mark's brother – colon cancer); Joann Moore; Kristi Martin (Rhonda's sister); Carolyn Lovelace (Dale Aden's sister); Burl Tidwell (cancer); Karmen; Dennis Foster...

News and Notes...

- We welcome our visitors; we are indeed honored to have you with us. We ask that you complete a visitor card and leave it in the pew or the collection plate, and please allow us the opportunity to get acquainted with you following services.
- Devo Wednesday night: David Brasher
- **Gospel Meeting at Roan's Creek April 5-7. Ricky Glass** will be speaking each evening at 7:30.

MEMORY VERSE - Hebrews 3:12:

Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God... (NKJ)

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 12 David & Pam
- 19 Mandy
- 25 Judy; Monte & Sandy