### **SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES 9 A.M. / FB LIVE 9:05 A.M. BIBLE CLASS 10 A.M. /SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY 6 P.M.** WEDNESDAY EVENING CLASS 6:30 P.M.

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**OFFICE HOURS: MON-FRI** 8AM-3PM

#### SERVICE & WORSHIP HELPERS FOR October 13th

Sunday Service 9 a.m. / Bible class 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**SERMON:** Steve Powers

PRESIDE OFFERING PRAYER: Heath Gipson

**SCRIPTURE:** Joseph Jenkins **CLOSING PRAYER:** Harold Johnson

SUNDAY & WED. USHERS: Richie Poe, David Presley SERVERS: Grant Bennett, Lucas Collins, Owen Fouraker,

Ted Howard, Ron Lederman, Chris Quattlebaum, Raymond Stills,

**Dave Tomlinson** 

**GREETERS**: Becky Fancher, Jessica Smith

#### COUNTRYSIDE ASSISTED LIVING WORSHIP SERVICES 1 PM

Jason Hart & Teens

SONG LEADER: 9 a.m. David Bell 6 p.m. Small Groups

TECH Booth: Crystal Deakins Streaming AV: Spree Ragland

**NURSERY:** Joni Bennett & Shay Bennett

WEDNESDAY, October 16th

Scripture & Prayer: Pete Papa (2 Peter 2:17-3:7)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Kai Keener **SONG LEADER:** Lucas Collins

Attendance: WED. 10/2: n/a SUN 10/6 - 9 a.m. 274 BC: 204

p.m. 132 **Contribution** 10/2 \$11,655 **COMMUNION & BUILDING: William Clark WORSHIP LEADER:** Travis Prewitt **ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Harold Johnson

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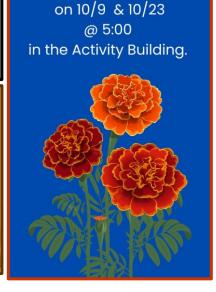
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The Bereavement

**Support Group** 

will meet



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#### Stars in the Universe

Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe. (Philippians 2:14-15)

#### **Complaining and Arguing**

The human condition easily leads to continual complaining and arguing. Humans complain because doing so often creates bonds between people: complaining is contagious and often draws people together to gripe and find fault. Social media can be the ideal breeding ground for negative thinking: it is easy to complain and criticize; less easy to be constructive and evolve positive ideas. One very negative effect of always criticizing and complaining is that we fall into a pattern of doing so - and it is hard to get out. "Neurons that fire together, wire together" ... pathways in our brains are formed, bridges are built and these are strengthened every time we use them. Conversely, if we have a habit of loving and encouraging, seeing good wherever possible, then these are the neural pathways which will be strengthened.

Similarly with arguing: we can seem more intelligent and popular than we really are by arguing with family members and neighbors. The negative thinker will tend to say "no" before thinking an idea through, and new ideas can be rejected for no reason other than that they **are** new.

Finally, arguing and complaining is a way to vent feelings of frustration when one feels powerless to enact real change. However, as Christians know, the most radical and most powerful way to be is to be meek, subjecting oneself to the perfect will and love of God. Let us rewire our brains through the example of Jesus, seeking out the good, pointing others to the good and being committed to the good.

#### **Blameless and Pure**

It is important that Christians push against their negative human tendencies and adopt a blameless and pure (continued on inside left panel)







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approach to life – especially in response to the crooked and deprayed world in which they often live. Anyone can complain. Anyone can argue. And most people do. But God's people are called to be blameless and pure. Let's take a brief look at these two virtues. **Blameless**: the idea here is that Christians are to commit to such a high standard of morality, honesty and integrity that they rise above any complaints against their character. Their good lives disprove any false accusation. They have, in essence, overcome evil with good. **Pure**: the idea here is to be innocent or harmless (as it is sometimes translated). A pure approach to living is one without guile, cultivating a pure heart.

May we heed these timeless words and live blameless and pure lives, pushing aside our human tendencies to complain and argue. The world will be better for it. - Stephen

# Prayer Requests

#### CURRENT

Grace Brisco is recovering from hip surgery. Her family requests prayers as Grace's health declines.

Roger Paul's mother, Bonnie Paul, passed away Wednesday, September 25th. The funeral was Monday, September 30th at 10:00 AM.

Pendarvis Family as they grieve the loss of

Charlotte Parker is in NARMC with dehydration and an infection.

MaryAnn Presley's mother, Alice Ann Kellar, passed away September 29th. A Celebration of Life will be held at 2PM on November 9th at College Street Church of Christ in Searcy.

Kathryn Sikes, Alethea Campbell's sister, has a spot on her pancreas and her doctor is sending

Kristy Taylor is having a lot of back pain due to a

injured ligaments.

#### **Truth for Today Commentary** Proverbs 1-15

Copies on the fover table are available for purchase for \$32.

place the envelope in the secretary tray in the copy room.

#### **ONGOING**

Bill Curtis **Debbie Crow** Joan Drewry Marsha Garza Dawn Greer Spring Martin Barbara & Ray Mathis Beatrice O'Neal Jerry Peters Ron Peters Mary Rogers

#### **NURSING HOME** & ASSISTED LIVING

Jillian Willis

Sharon Ballard Grace Brisco Mary Brown Barbara Burlsworth Ann Cash Charlotte Gregory Shirley Jordan Fave McLaughlin **Toppy Parker Curt Shaddox** Ann Warren

## Announcements



Sunday is the last day to bring your CHILDREN'S HOMES, INC. items for Paragould's Children's Home lunch boxes & change cans.



Therefore consider the goodness and **severity** of God: on those who fell, severity; but toward you,

goodness, if you continue in His goodness. GOOD CHOICE

Otherwise vou also will be cut off.

Romans 11:22

GOOD CHOICE



Brooklyn.

her to Little Rock for surgery.

slipped disc and a broken vertebra.

**Ann Warren** has been moved to Hospice of the

**Bill Youngblood** fell and fractured his ankle and

Please put money in an envelope &

## At Home



Barbara Farmer Herb Gipson Dawn Greer

Faye Kisner Marjorie Malone Kathleen Mullen

October Funeral Meal Coordinators Jennifer Hart, Lisa Martin & Hope Mosley