### INFORMATION

#### **SHEPHERDS**

Phillip Hines Lee Hobbs Darrell Sims Alan Walker

#### **MINISTERS**

Youth: Michael Deese Preaching: Justin Smith

#### **OFFICE**

Jan Harris Betsy Atkins

#### **DEACONS**

Tim Brown **Bradley Phillips** Charles Crawford Jim Reeder Tony Ford Matt Reynolds Bobby Fox Mark Reynolds Harry Fuller Mike Runager Brad Shaneyfelt Kerry Hamlett Jeff Harris B.C. Smith Chris Hines Matt Steele Scotty Lee Jared Symonds Tony Parker Tim Tanksley Terry Thompson

#### BIRTHDAYS

11-9 Zoey Brazier
11-10 Brenda Cantrell Logan Ford Sharon Harris
11-12 Tori Hughes
11-15 Kim Hobbs

Jane Walker

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

11-9 L&M Adcock 11-12 P&D Binkley





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#### **SUNDAYS**

Common Grounds Coffee - 9:30 am Worship - 10:00 am Bible Study - 5:00 pm

#### WEDNESDAYS

Bible Study - 10:00am/ 6:30 pm

#### **NOVEMBER**

11-9 Young Families Friendsgiving11-15 HYG Kids Hayride 5:30pm11-18 Ladies Prayer and Share 10:00am

11-26 Thanksgiving Prayer Service

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Kids Give - \$60.00

Attendance Sunday AM - 282

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#### **Church Together**

In the church I grew up in we sang *Blest Be The Tie* at the close of most every service. This tradition began because it was the favorite song of Heather, a young girl at church who was nonverbal and had autism. She cheered every time we sang it. Our church was close nit, having less than 30 members, and we were thrilled to make Heather happy. As I reflect on my own events of life from the past 2 weeks, these familiar words of Church togetherness have again risen to mind.

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above. Christians are bound to one another, tied up together in the love of Christ. When we enjoy the company of togetherness and celebrate our common beliefs, it is a glimpse of heaven! This is our hope and aim for worship, to joyfully celebrate the God who brings us together, and experience a bit of Heaven.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims, are one, our comforts and our cares. We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear, and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear. Church family draws near to God and to one another in prayer, finding strength and comfort through our shared faith. Church family means walking through both joy and pain together. The shared love of Christ assures that no one suffer or celebrate alone.

From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin, we shall be free; and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity. A church family not only helps us through this life but points us toward eternity. One day, our fellowship will be made perfect in heaven, where love and friendship will never fade. All the ties that bind us in Christ today will be made stronger, purer, and everlasting in His presence. What we share now in glimpses through prayer, encouragement, and compassion, will one day be complete joy forever.

In a way, that young girl who loved to sing *Blest Be the Tie* was reminding us all of something eternal. Every smile, every prayer, every tear, and every song we share together is preparing us for a better day. The day when we'll all be home together, eternally bound by the perfect tie of Christ's love.

-Justin

# NEWS, NOTES, & EVENTS



We are taking donations for **Childhaven Thanksgiving Appeal** through November. If you would like to donate, **please make your** check out to **Childhaven**.



**Decatur Work Release** needs men's clothing for the inmates to wear when they go to their place of work. If you have any to donate see Charles or Wanda Crawford.



Lads to Leaders registration forms are due this Sunday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>. If you need registration forms, they are available in the Commons Area. Please return forms to Jared Symonds or Mark Reynolds.



The Young Adults and Young Families will be having their annual "Friendsgiving" this Sunday, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> following evening services in the Fellowship Hall.



**HYG Kids** will be having their annual bonfire, dinner, and hayride on Saturday, **November 15**<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm, at the home of Scotty and Ariel Lee. Boys bring chips and drinks, girls bring desserts.



Due to the Government Shut down, we are collecting **non-perishable items** for those whose Food Stamps are delayed. Please bring these items to the Church Library on the hallway next to the office. There are lists of suggested items on the table in the Commons.



We need volunteers to keep the **Nursery** for the rest of November through January. If you are willing to help, please sign the list in the Commons. Thanks in advance!

## PRAYER LIST

#### SICK

**Deacon Phillips** had an appendectomy on Monday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. He is doing well and recovering at home.

James Terry is having serious health issues. Prayers are requested.

**Phillip Barnett**, Ashley Symonds' dad, had an angiogram, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> for a brain aneurysm. He hopes to have surgery soon.

**Donna Barnett**, Amanda Appleton's mom, had shoulder surgery last Wednesday. Please pray for healing.

#### **RESTORED**

**Candy Hensley** asked for prayers last Sunday to be a better Christian. Let's pray for her and encourage her.

#### LONG TERM ILLNESS/HOMEBOUND

Debra Allen 1914 Manchester Ave SW, Decatur Janet Brown 1018 Nance Ford Rd SW Christy Chappell 691 Co. Rd. 1105, Vinemont Teen Dobbins 1514 Nance Ford Rd SW Terry Easterly 162 Gum Springs Cut-Off Reynolds & Katie Howard 221 Oak Trail NE Carolyn Jacobs 710 Azalea St NW Nina & W.O. Johnson 507 Aquarius Dr. SW Betty Dean Kelly 1605 Penn Rd. SW Peggy Russell 604 Barkley St SW Dan Styles 2509 Burningtree Dr. SE Decatur Tim & Reatha Tanksley 455 E Parker Rd James & Mary Terry 623 Magnolia Pl. Ln. SW Frank & Telula Thornton 743 Martin St. SW Clarence Walls 381 Boys Ranch Rd.

Family members & friends: Sophie Walker, Edith & Milo Shermer, James Payton, Felicia Vest, Sue Gilliam, Mel Gurney, Dwight Reeves, Brenda Patterson, Kristi Stringer

Summerford Nursing Home: Jobie Burgess #141 Columbia Cottage: Faye Greenhill #21.

Brookdale Cedar Springs: Marie Harwell # I -22 Falkville Health & Rehab: Jnell Pleasant, #217

#### **Daily Bible Reading**

Day 313 - Ezekiel 19-20, Acts 5-6 Day 314 - Ezekiel 21-22, Acts 7-8 Day 316 - Ezekiel 24-26, Acts 11-12 Day 317 - Ezekiel 27-28, Acts 13-14 Day 318 - Ezekiel 29-30, Acts 15-16

Day 315 - Ezekiel 23, Acts 9-10

Day 319 - Ezekiel 31-32, Acts 17-19