

Welcome to the
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Times of Worship

Sunday
 10:00 a.m.
 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Bible School
 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study
 5:30 p.m.
 6:30 p.m.



July 3, 2016

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LET FREEDOM RING!

While celebrating our independence from Mother England on July 4th is only appropriate, there's another kind of freedom that we ought to also embrace and celebrate.

Paul wrote: "But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered ... And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness" (Romans 6:17-18).

Emancipation from the control and domination of sin is the greatest form of freedom there is. Paul wants us to know that we will either be voluntary slaves to righteousness or involuntary slaves to sin. There are no other choices.

Rabindranath Tagore wrote: "I have on my table a violin string. It is free. I twist one end of it and it responds. It is free. But it is not free to do what a violin string is *supposed to do* - to produce music. So I take it, fix it in my violin, and tighten it until it is taut. Only then is it free to be a violin string."

We have been set free to live as God's own children. That is our purpose and it is God's will. Let us appreciate our spiritual freedom for what it is ... free to accomplish His purpose in our lives!

R. Medlin

Lessons for Today:

"Conversion: Are You Sure of Yours?"
 Acts 3:19

"Rediscovering the Power of Servanthood"
 Luke 22:24-27

Today's Activities:

No activities today!!

Love Your Neighbor Verse:

Proverbs 3:27

Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it.

<i>This Week</i>	<i>Records You Help Make</i>
Making announcements: Sunday - 10:00 am: Ray Sherer Sunday- 5:00 pm: Ray Sherer	Sunday Bible Study 466 Sunday Morning Worship 602 Sunday Evening No Count Hispanic Ministry No Count Elizabeth Wright Apts., Sunday a.m. 22 Inner City Resumes in September
Inner City Ministry: Resumes in Sept. Ladies' Bible Class: Resumes in Sept. 5:30 Wed. Bible Study: Summer Series/Terry Edwards 6:30 Wed. Bible Study: Summer Series/Terry Edwards	Wednesday Evening—6:30 283 Wednesday Evening—5:30 139 General Fund Contributions \$20,530.49 Hispanic Min. Contributions —
Camellia Gardens Apts. Bible Study: Thursdays, 5:30 pm Men's Bible Class: Fridays, 6:30am, Studying Genesis 42	Weekly Budget \$24,147.00 Weekly Contribution Avg., 2016 \$22,518.35

Worship Leaders

July 3, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Opening Prayer

Sam Wallace

Preside at Table

Woody Wordlaw

Scripture Reading

Andrew Sims

Closing Prayer

Brandon Deason

Serve Communion: Braxton Alford, Chris Baker, Dave Bedingfield, Barry Buford, Mason Chandler, Eddie Clark, Page Clayton, Ryan Gallagher, Tracy Lincoln, Kevin Long, Gavin Lyle, Matt Morris, Adrian Saffold, Bryan Smith, Tommy Williams

5:00 p.m.

Opening Prayer

Stanley DeBary

Scripture Reading

Nathan Stephen

Closing Prayer

Richard Donaldson

Serve Evening Communion:

Ray Dutton, Jamie Horn, Josh Horn

Others Who Serve :

Chairman and Co-Chairman of the

Elders: David Short and Faires Austin

Nursery

AM: Laura Freeman and Louise Jones

PM: Michelle Clifton

Greeters

East: Nathan Woodring

West: Lee Alford

Ushers

East: Richard and Linda Grah

West: Buddy and Dianne Hall

Doorman

East: Ed Redman

West: Tommy Williams

Youth & College Activities

◆**Teen Night Together:** July 6 and 27.

◆**Inspire Youth Conference:** Will be held July 9-14, at Faulkner campus.

◆**Teen Work Day:** July 19.

◆**Summer Sewing School:** Tues, July 19, 6:30pm, Fireplace Room. You must prepay. See Nancy Itson or Missy Jones to sign-up.

◆**AIMCON16:** July 22-24.

◆**Monday In Motion:** July 25.

◆**End of Summer Blast:** July 29.

Those In Need of Our Prayers

We rejoice with **Nick Dodson** as he was baptized on Saturday, June 25.

Floy Winslett, mother of **Linda Grah**, fell Friday night, June 24. She broke her sternum and collar bone, but she is now resting at home.

Darlene Baad, Pierre Caldwell, Blois & Lucy Clifton, Wally & Sharon Colburn, James & Rebecca Deason, Carlton Freeman, Gwendolyn Harris, Lorene Hitt, Dottie Huggins, Dennis Itson, Sara Jones, Sandra Jones, Laura Langford, Betty Metcalf, Charles Mills, June Moss, Robert Sells, Lynne Spencer, Londyn Stringer, Rose Turner, Dan Winstein, Brandi Young.

Announcements

We are pleased to announce that **Lynleigh Stephen** received the Bible Award at Camp Wiregrass. This award is presented at the end of each camp week to campers who demonstrate superior Bible knowledge.

This year the **VBS Service Project** is to collect items for the Welcome Baskets that are delivered to our new members. Please help us to "Love Thy Neighbor" by bringing note cards/notepads, pump hand soap, dish towels, cookie or brownie mixes, tissues, candy, candles, etc. Drop baskets will be located in the two auditorium foyers and in the Fellowship Hall foyer.

The next **UCC Ladies' Book Club** will meet on Thursday, July 7, 6:30pm, at the home of Mia Medlin. They will be discussing "I am Malala" by Malala Yousafzai. Please bring your favorite finger foods and let Missy Jones know if you plan to attend.

Sr. Servants will have a potluck dinner and guest speaker on Friday, July 8, at 6:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Join this great fellowship for the 55-plus members and friends. Please sign-up in the east foyer.

A Bridal Shower will honor **Jocelyne Winkles**, bride elect of **Justin Barrett**, on Sunday, July 10, 3:30-4:45pm, in the Fireplace Room. Jocelyne and Justin are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond and Wal-Mart. Please see Doris Pace if you would like to participate in a group gift.

The date for the next **Area-Wide Congregational Singing** has been changed. It will be held on Friday, **July 15**, at 7:00pm, at the Alexander City Church of Christ.

Family Circle Leaders: Please plan to meet in the Seminar Room on Sunday, July 17, at 4:00pm.

New Bible Class Coming Soon! Lord of the Rings: Marriage as God Intended It. Sunday mornings, beginning August 7th, in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Alabama Christian Academy** has openings available for Secondary Bible Teachers. For qualifications and requirements, applicants need to go to the ACA website, www.alabamachristian.org, and click on "Why ACA". You may email your resume to Dr. Misty Overman at moverman@alabamachristian.org or you may mail your resume to: ACA, 4700 Wares Ferry Road, Montgomery, AL 36109, Attn: Misty Overman.

All new members who have not had their picture taken for the pictorial directory and any current members who would like an updated picture, please see Leon Willis after the morning or evening service. We will be printing the new Pocket Directory in July so please check your information and advise the office of any changes/additions.

**The church office will be closed Monday, July 4
in observance of Independence Day.**