

~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

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| <b>Sunday 1st Service</b><br>Welcome/ Announcements<br>Prayer<br>Song Leader<br>Preside Communion<br>Serving<br>Preaching<br>Closing Prayer<br>Prepare Communion | <b>January 1, 9:00 A.M.</b><br>Scott Richards<br>Scott Richards<br>Evan Barnes<br><br>Michael Hollis<br>Dylan Madden/Farron Whisenant<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Willie Greens<br><br>Deborah Lester | <b>January 8, 9:00 A.M.</b><br>Scott Richards<br>Scott Richards<br>Russ Baker<br><br>Michael Hollis<br>Dylan Madden/ Farron Whisenant<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Greg Harp<br><br>Deborah Lester |
| <b>Sunday 2nd Service</b><br>Welcome/ Announcements<br>Prayer<br>Song Leader<br>Preside Communion<br>Serving<br>Preaching<br>Closing Prayer                      | <b>January 1, 11:30 A.M.</b><br>Scott Richards<br>Scott Richards<br>Evan Barnes<br>Michael Hollis<br>Dylan Madden / Farron Whisemant<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Willie Green                         | <b>January 8, 11:30 A.M.</b><br>Scott Richards<br>Scott Richards<br>Russ Baker<br>Randy Harp<br>Jeremiah Little / Breadon Barnes<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Bob Boykins                          |
| <b>Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM</b>                                                                                                                                 | <b>January 4, 7:00 P.M.</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>January 11, 2022 7:00 P.M.</b>                                                                                                                                                         |

Weekly Assembly Schedule  
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Worship  
 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM - Bible Classes  
 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM - Worship  
 Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 PM  
 (Some variation may be necessary)

***"To God Be True In 2022"***

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|--------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b><u>What Must I Do To Be Saved?!</u></b> | *             | <b><u>Record of Attendance</u></b> |                     |
| Realize I am lost                          | Rom. 3:23     | <b><u>12/25/2022</u></b>           | <b><u>Total</u></b> |
| Hear the Gospel                            | Acts 15:7     | Sun. Bible Study                   | 29                  |
| Believe the Gospel                         | Mk. 16:15-16  | Sun. 1st Worship                   | 39                  |
| Repent of sins                             | Acts 17:30    | Sun. 2nd Worship                   | 27                  |
| Confess Christ                             | Rom. 10:9-10  | Wednesday Evening                  | 13                  |
| Baptized to remit sins                     | Acts 2:38     | Contribution                       | \$1981.00           |
| Remain faithful                            | 2 Pet. 1:5-11 |                                    |                     |



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"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Psalm 119:130

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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**SUNDAY**  
 1st Worship 9:00 am  
 Bible Class 10:30 am  
 2nd Worship 11:30 am  
**WEDNESDAY**  
 Bible Study 7:00 pm

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## Happy New Year



## Our Theme For 2023 Is:

**"In Christ  
 Be Free  
 In 2023"**

## Our Prayer List

**Willie Green**, requests prayers for his family as they travel out of town.

**Havanna Goebel's** brother, Larry Favor, had a massive stroke and is showing some improvement.

**Maggie Miller**-had a positive outcome from her procedure. She is still having a few headaches. Pray that she continues to get well.

**Vera Pollard**, daughter-in-law of Paul Pollard, has liver cancer.

**Don Cheek**- is having some health issues.

**Bob Taylor**- is having more health issues with his thyroid. He is blind in one eye and is having leg problems. His doctors have advised him to stay home. He had 6 tests & a brain MRI and is waiting on the results.

**Frank Johnson**, is having back and neck issues.

**Jim & Maxine Howell**, both Jim and Maxine are having problems walking. Jim had eyelid surgery on Friday.

**Maria Martin**, daughter of Robert & Mary, is at home and taking physical therapy.

**Willie Thomas**, father of Chere Slocumb, continues to recover. He is staying at his sons house. Keep praying for this family.

**Continued Prayer List**- Terrance Hannah, Donna Taylor, Evonne Green, Ivan Gonzales, Myrna McKenzie, mother of Marilyn Valentine, Elijah Mackey, cousin of Angelia Hollis, Jimmy Miller, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Shannon DeLeon, niece of Scott Richards, Quention Hogan, family of Richard Harp, Willie Mae Brown - Carla Robison's mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes,

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## Activities And Events

**Today**- 9:00 A.M. 1st morning service.

**Today**- Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 10:30 A.M.

**Today**-11:30 A.M. 2nd service

**Today**- Ladies there is a new list to sign up to fill communion trays in 2023

**Wednesday night Bible class**- 7:00 P.M.

**Jan. 28-29- Annual Bible Lectureship**, Mark your calendars and plan to attend and bring some friends. The theme is "Faith Over Fear."

Lord, may your Word  
be the source  
of our daily  
**STRENGTH  
AND  
ENCOURAGEMENT.**



**In  
2023**

*Let's All Make  
It A Priority  
To Study  
God's Word  
Daily!*

**It's with sadness we announce**, Jim & Maxine Howell will be moving to South Carolina with their daughter on December 28th due to their health issues. We wish them well on this new journey and they will be greatly missed. If you are in need of any furniture call Jim Howell at: 770-473-6497. He will give you an offer you cannot refuse.

**In Search Of The Lord's Way  
Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM.**

1/1/23 "A Friend To Jesus"

1/8/23 "A Friend To Jesus"

1/15/23 "A Friend To Jesus"

1/22/23 "A Friend To Jesus"

1/29/23 "A Friend To Jesus"

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## SOME PREDICTIONS FOR 2023

Do you want to know what will happen over the next twelve months? Let's consider some things that will happen. Someone may say, "How do you know what will happen? Are you a prophet? Of course not. Only God knows our future as individuals and as a congregation. Yet there are some things we can certainly predict simply because they happened in 2022. In fact, they happen every year. The questions is... Will they happen to me? Or my loved one?"

**Some will die next year.** We must face the reality that life is uncertain for everyone, including me. (James 4:14) Very likely, we will attend the funeral of a friend or family member in 2023; or they may attend yours or mine. But we know that somebody is going to die. The important question is... Will I be one of them?

**Some hearts will become hardened.** Hearts that are very tender and receptive to the teaching of God's word today will become cold and unreceptive during the next year. Is not the past an indicator of a continued trend? "Exhort one another daily... lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin." (Heb. 3:13) The devil will not be taking the year off, and some will be open to his devices. Some will lose their interest in spiritual things as they focus more on the physical and material. The important question is... Will I be one of them?

**Some will become unfaithful.** As in the past, some who begin the year right with God will drift into a state of unfaithfulness. They will leave the Lord and His church for the world. We all know some who have left in previous years. Why should the new year be any different? Some of the saddest words in the Bible are, "From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more." (John 6:66) The important question is... Will I be one of them?

**Some will procrastinate.** It happens every year with some people. Of course, we all wait and put off things until tomorrow. But some people seem to practice it daily. They put off studying their Bible. They put off giving more time to their family. They put off being more involved in the church. They put off talking to a friend about his soul. Some will put off, obeying the Gospel and many will never get around to it. (Acts 24:25) Some who are unfaithful will continue putting off what they know they should do. Hell will be full of people with good intentions, but they never got around to doing what needed to be done before it was too late. The important question is... Will I be one of them?

**Some will obey the Gospel.** The Gospel is still God's power unto salvation, and some will be receptive to it. It happens every year and it will in the new year. Some will hear the Truth for the first time, and with further study, they will receive it and obey it. Realizing their soul is lost in sin and a Savior died to give them hope, they will make the most important decision of their lives and never look back. Some who have known what they must do for a long time will obey. Some will be adults and others will be young people. New names will be recorded in heaven next year. The important question is... Will you be one of them?

**Some will grow spiritually.** Some will be restored to their first love following a period of unfaithfulness. Some will start the new year with a renewed spirit of commitment to God and His kingdom. Prayer and personal Bible study will be more important to some than in the past. They will resolve to be more involved in the Lord's work, more faithful in worship. And a better example for their family and others. They will sense their spiritual growth, people around them will see it, and the Lord will bless them for it. The question is... Will you be one of them?

*Richard*

**Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!**

## Elders' Comments

A New Year brings new things for the child of God; New blessing, new responsibilities, and new opportunities, all of which we should recognize and make the best of them that we can. Out theme for the New Year, given on the front of this bulletin, will be a constant reminder of what we have in Christ- "Freedom." It is the freedom that only Christ provides and that only those that are faithful in Christ can experience. Jesus said, "If the Son thou make you free, you thou be free indeed." (John 8:36) During 2023, let us all focus on the precious freedom we have in Christ, being more appreciative of Him who provides it and the great price He paid for it.