

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST~
OCTOBER 6, 2019

CONGRATS: The **Browns** have a new great nephew; **Sanders Bailey Simmerman** was born Wednesday (7 lb, 5 oz, 18”).

SICK/TEMPORARY: **Keegan Arrington** had successful dental surgery on Tuesday. **April Kinney** is back home after her surgery. **Tracy Roberts** remains hospitalized at Baptist East, but hopes to be home soon. **Mary Ray** remained sick this past week. **Riley Young** was sick with a virus mid-week.

PROTRACTED: **Janice Bailey**—Alzheimers; **Paul Baldwin**—diabetes; **Scooter Birmingham** (friend of **Destiny Clayton**); **June Black** (mother of a high school friend of **Tracy Roberts**)—recovering from hip surgery; **Don Blackwell** (preacher at Southaven)—paralyzed, now at Shepherd Center; **Brian Brown** (**Paul Brown**’s nephew)—epilepsy; **Shelly Cates**—fibromyalgia; **Gladys Marie Elrod** (**Mary Ray**’s son-in-law’s mother)—congestive heart failure; **Addliae Farrow** (**Tabatha Clayton**’s great niece)—heart; **Bubba Farrow** (**Emma Farrow**’s son)—Alzheimer’s; **Jerry Floate** (of this community)—liver transplant; **Brook Hale** (**Tracy Roberts**’ niece)—Grave’s Disease; **Henry Harrison** (**Paula Harrison**’s husband)—diverticulitis; **Paula Harrison**—Meniere’s Disease; **Martha Hopkins** (**Tracy Roberts**’ mother)—dementia; **Paul Hounshell** (**Carl Hounshell**’s son)—a-fib; **Wanda Jackson**—a-fib; **Brenda Jones**—Lupus; **Stan Jones**—Meniere’s Disease; **Jeff Kidd** (friend of **Tracy Roberts**)—paralyzed; **Garrett Lentz** (son of a co-worker of **Cody Hadley**)—seizures; **Becky Munns** (**Tabatha Clayton**’s aunt)—heart problems, Crohn’s Disease; **Robert Rawson** (preacher at Crockett)—diabetes; **Ray Reynold’s** (**Sheila Massey** and **Mary West**’s dad)—memory trouble; **Brett Rutherford** (**Dan Cates**’ friend)—MS; **Dan Sandidge** (**Syble Embrey**’s son-in-law)—Grave’s Disease; **Brittany Suttles** (wife of a recent MSOP grad) is pregnant with twins, and has had some difficulty before; **Blake Thompson** (**Tracy Roberts**’ niece’s husband) recovering from an accident and numerous surgeries; **Tammy Turner** (a preacher’s wife whom we support)—dementia; and **Francis Wallace** (friend of **Mary Ray**).

CANCER: **Robbie Andrews** (friend of **Dan Cates**)—prostate; **Clifton Angel** (preacher at Coldwater)—thyroid; **Sherry Brown** (retired MSOP secretary); **Robin Brueck** (niece of **Allene Baldwin** and **Syble Embrey**)—breast; **Alicia Busby** (from the community); **Earl Carlton** (son of a friend of **Syble Embrey**)—esophageal; **Gary Darnell** (**Ella Darnell**’s son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; **Brenda Davis** (a grandmother of **Edra** and **Ryan Farrow**); **Dwight Faulkenberry** (**Tracy Roberts**’ cousin); **Debbie Farrow**; **Orville Fowler** (father of the **Browns**’ neighbor)—stomach; **Joyce Geeslin**—under hospice care; **Tom Gordon** (of Looxahoma); **Nathan Jones** (the **Hounshell**’s neighbors’ 16 year old family member)—brain; **Sara Kiestler** (an FHU student)—Hodgkin’s; **Billy Kimbrough** (former son-in-law of **Joyce Geeslin**)—esophageal; **Wade Loggins** (member of congregation in Elkmont, AL); **Dorothy Mosher** (wife of an MSOP instructor); **Carol Ogelsby** (family of **Sonny Stewart** and the **Browns**)—stomach; **Tommy Pierce** (the **Browns**’ friend); **Tracy Roberts**—undergoing treatments; and **Tabby Waters** (**Tabatha Clayton**’s sister-in-law)—leukemia.

SHUT-IN: **Marie Crockett** (home), **Emma Farrow** (in a care facility in Sardis), **Orelia Ferguson** (home), **Martha Hopkins** (**Tracy Roberts**’ mother—Life Point Villages room 108B).

SERVING: **Dylan** and **Maggie Cooper** (Air Force, Offut AFB, Neb.), **Cameron Hadley** (**Grayson Hadley**’s dad—Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC), **Jacob Petrowski** (grandson of former members here—Marines, Romania). Also, please continue to pray for **Kyle Embrey** (**Syble Embrey**’s grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live “quiet and peaceable” lives (I Timothy 2:1,2).

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Missions [the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]

Independence Mission Fund (next: tbd)

Memphis School of Preaching (Jonathan Jenkins)

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Jim and Tammy Turner (Fairfield, North Carolina)

Trent Kennedy family (Four Seas Bible College, Singapore)

Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh, India [Providing Bibles]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children’s Home, West

Pablo Horna (David, Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Many one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

CONFRONTING THE WORLD WITH GOOD NEWS, Part 4

Winfred Clark

(Continued from last week) We need to keep in mind the fact that we are to use only the gospel in confronting the world. This is the reason Paul would leave a man like Timothy in Ephesus. He was told to "charge some that they teach no other doctrine" (1 Tim. 1:3). When he says, no other, he would mean no other than the gospel. This is the reason Paul would write as he did to the churches of Galatia. There he let them know of his shock and warned against any that might preach another gospel, which he would say is not another (Gal. 1:6-9). Paul knew that a perverted gospel would not save them.

When we stop to look at the "what," we find we are limited to the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It Means "Why" Should It Be Confronted

One reason could be quickly given and that would be because the world does not realize its need for the good news. There are people who are lost who do not know their real condition. That is the reason they need to be confronted with the good news.

Another reason given would be because of what the good news will do. After all, we are talking about the word of God and what it will do in the lives of all of us. There are needs that can be established. For example, man needs conversion. This is exactly what Jesus said must occur. "And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 18:3). But remember that David said concerning the word of God, "The law of the LORD is perfect. converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple" (Psa. 19:7). There can thus be no doubt about the matter of the need for conversion. But there can be no doubt at all about the matter of how this is accomplished. But again, man needs cleansing from sin. There is the defilement that comes thereby. This would be seen in the fact that one can become spotted by the world (Jam. 1:27). How can such a person be made clean. Indeed he must be cleansed or else there would be no hope for such a person. Let Jesus tell us how one can be made clean: "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you" (John 15:3). Did Jesus know how one could be made clean? Did He know what would be able to bring about this cleansing? We have no doubt about His knowledge of the facts. But, Jesus would relate cleansing to the word of God. Would there not be need for one to confront an unclean world with the message that would help such people to become clean? But note again. There is need for those in the world to be born again. Again, of this fact one can have no doubt. Jesus stated the necessity of such when He said, "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say

unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. ... Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God" (John 3:3,5). *(To be continued next week)*

"That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:" (Ephesians 4:14,15)

BIBLE QUESTION:

This week's question: Who apocalyptically saw when "four great beasts came up from the sea"?

Last week's question: Who "hath commanded his covenant forever"?

Last week's answer: God (Psalm 111:9)

SERMONS: Prophecies Concerning the Church (*Isaiah 2:2,3*)

Moral Issues Facing America 2: Philosophy and Modern Society (*Isaiah 5:20*)

DAILY BIBLE READING (October 7-13):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Zechariah	11-14	Nehemiah		1-3	4-6	7-9	10-13
Ezra		5-7	8-10				

SCRIPTURE READING (OCTOBER): Garrett Young (Daniel 2:44,45)

(NOVEMBER): Dan Cates

PRESIDE LORD'S SUPPER MORNING AND EVENING (OCTOBER): Dan Cates

(NOVEMBER): Carl Hounshell

ASSIST LORD'S SUPPER (OCTOBER): Mark Peyton and Paul Brown

(NOVEMBER): Garrett Young and Sonny Stewart

CLEAN BUILDING (OCTOBER): Ella Darnell and Carolyn Stanford

(NOVEMBER): Suzanne and Katie Brown

PREPARE COMMUNION (OCTOBER): Tabatha Clayton

(NOVEMBER): Kim Arrington

PANTRY NEEDS: The children's home truck will be here October 22nd.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS: (The italicized were accidentally left off last week)

<i>Cody Hadley</i>	<i>October 4</i>	Janice Bailey	October 5
Destiny Clayton	October 5	Wanda Jackson	October 9
<i>Paislei Hadley</i>	<i>October 19</i>		

UPCOMING EVENTS (For particular details, check the bulletin board for flyers):

Today

Gospel Meeting begins at Looxahoma with Gary McDade. Times include 1:30 Sunday afternoon and 7:00 Monday through Thursday nights.

Gospel Meeting begins at Nesbit with Michael Light. Times include 7:30 Sunday night and 7:00 Monday through Wednesday nights.

October 13

Game night after evening services.

Gospel Meeting begins at Coldwater with Mark Reynolds. Times include 1:00 Sunday afternoon and 7:00 Monday through Wednesday nights.

October 18,19

MSOP's **World Evangelism Seminar** at Forest Hill.

WELCOME VISITORS!