

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." (Romans 12:1-2, ESV)

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Roger & Rhonda Burleson ~ recovering from covid
Stephanie Duke ~ recovering from an illness
Gene Hallmark ~ broken arm/surgery/fall, St. V's East
Bill Hand ~ recovering from fractured vertebrae in his neck
Marigale Lawing ~ recovering from a stroke
Joan Mims ~ rehab at Hanceville
Leelon Scott ~ moved to rehab facility
Mattie Vaughn ~ nerve blocks on Mon & Tues/procedure on Wed

Marilyn Edwards ~ co-worker of Mary Ann Woods, death of father-in-law
Alan Evans ~ son of Huel & Janet Evans, recovering from sinus surgery
Rita Grey ~ co-worker of Mary Ann Woods, mom has health issues
George Handley ~ father of Angie Logan & Kristy McGough, health issues
Larry Horn ~ father of Kelly Horn, health issues
Gary Rasbury ~ friend of Evans/Deacon at Palisades, multiple upcoming surgeries
Candy Richman ~ sister of Honei Woods, illness/hospital

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE TIMES:**

Next Sunday, December 24, we will have Worship & Bible class at our normal times of 9:00 am & 10:15 am. We will not have an Evening service that day.

### THANK YOU NOTES:

"Thank you so very much for the lovely poinsettia you gifted me. God bless you all." **Billie Best** "Thanks to the church for the beautiful poinsettia." **Doyle & Rose Young** 

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

| roday     | Kids Bible Time & LZL Preparation Class ~ 5:00 pm              |  |  |
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| Dec 17    | Middle Adult Holiday Fellowship ~ after pm service             |  |  |
| Dec 17    | Teen Holiday Activity ~ after pm service                       |  |  |
| Dec 22    | Office Closed for the Holiday ~ if emergency, contact an elder |  |  |
| Dec 25    | Office Closed for the Holiday ~ if emergency, contact an elder |  |  |
| Dec 27-30 | Teen Exposure Youth Camp                                       |  |  |
| Dec 29    | Senior Saints Fellowship ~ 10:00 am                            |  |  |
| Jan 1     | Office Closed for the Holiday ~ if emergency, contact an elder |  |  |

Last Week's Attendance: AM - 215 PM - 127 Contribution: \$8,107

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Thinking of You Greeting: Leelon Scott and Larry Horn. Please sign.

Anniversary: Randy & Ethelda Thomason will celebrate 55 years together on Thursday.

**Daily Bible Reading:** Our plan for the new year is available on our website, app & printed copies are at the welcome desk. The bulletin will contain the reading for the upcoming week. Congratulations to Gail Barber who read the entire Bible in 2023.

**Finger Food Fellowship:** Will be Sunday, January 7 after pm service. Bring finger foods, desserts & drinks. Everyone invited to attend.

**Information Updates:** If you have had any information changes (address/phone number/etc...) in 2023, please complete an update form located at the welcome desk & leave in the basket.

It's a Boy: Jared & Sara Higginbotham have a new son, Gideon. He is 7 lbs, 6 oz & 21" long.

**Kids Bible Time:** Will be Today at 5:00 pm for kids 2 years - 2nd grade.

Ladies' & Men's Bible Class: Will meet on Wednesday, January 3 at 10:00 am.

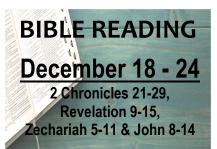
**Lads to Leaders Info:** Will meet Today at 5:00 pm & work on Singing. -- Convention deposit (\$177) is due by Sunday, January 21. -- We must have ALL Registration Forms by December 31.

**Lord's Supper Delivery:** There is a sign up list at the welcome desk for anyone able to deliver the Lord's Supper to Leelon Scott on a Sunday in the coming months.

**Middle Adult Holiday Fellowship:** Will be Today after pm service. Bring finger foods, desserts, drinks & a \$10 gift for the swapping game.

**Senior Saints Fellowship:** Will be Friday, December 29 at 10:00 am. Details to come.

**Teen Activities:** Holiday Activity Today after pm service -- Exposure Youth Camp is Dec 27-30 in Huntsville. -- Evangelism University is Jan 12-14. -- Sign up lists for all activities on app/website.



### SERVICE TIMES

### <u>Sunday</u>

Worship......9:00 AM Bible Class .....10:15 AM Worship.....5:00 PM

#### **Wednesday**

Bible Class......7:00 PM

## **CONNECT WITH US**









### **WELCOME**

We are so happy that you joined us today. It is a privilege to worship God with you. If you are seeking for a church home, we would love for you to consider Decatur Highway. Please take the time to stop by our welcome desk in the foyer for more information about our church family. If we can assist you in any way, please see one of our elders, members or staff. Thank you again for joining us. We hope to see you again very soon.

## **SERMON NOTES**

### THE POWER TO TRANSFORM

**Text:** Romans 12:1-2

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| II.  | Our A | _ Toward S |            |
| III. | Our O | _ To S     |            |
| IV.  | Our U | _ In S     | (a) 45%-50 |

