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Jonah Wood, Youth

VISIT US SOON!

Sunday:

Bible Study..... 9:30 A.M.
Morning Worship..... 10:30 A.M.
Afternoon Worship.... 1:30 P.M.

Wednesday:

Bible Study7:00 P.M.

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Warren Davenport

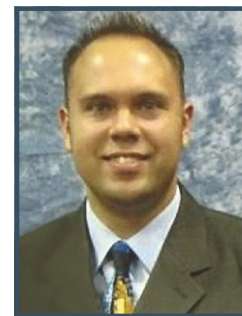


Isaac McLaurin

On Sunday, January 17 the Forest Hill church was blessed as we installed a new elder and three new deacons to serve this congregation. All four of these men are well qualified according to the teaching of the New Testament and they have proven themselves worthy of these appointments. Warren Davenport was added to the present eldership. He has served as an elder in years past at another congregation and so he comes already having experience as one of God's shepherds. Warren, and his wife, Lisa, have been members at Forest Hill for several years. They have a daughter, Julie, who is married to Forest Hill deacon, Robert Berch. Also the Davenports' son, Paul, is a member of this congregation. Isaac McLaurin, Irwin Thomas, and Stephen Ulrich were selected as deacons. Isaac is married to Heather and they have a daughter, Aneesa. Irwin Thomas is married to Lisa and they have a son, Isaiah. Stephen Ulrich, recent MSOP graduate, is married to Sarah and they have two children, Anna and Stephen, and one on the way. All of these men have servant hearts and we look forward to all they will help us accomplish in the coming months and years.



Irwin Thomas



Stephen Ulrich

Think Again

Patrick Morrison

In the process of my recovery from a stroke, there have been many things I have had to think about that were second nature before the incident. We likely take for granted action like walking or moving our arms/hands in order to take hold of something. Having to relearn how to do many of these simple tasks has made me far more appreciative of hundreds of little things that I before had simply over-looked and seldom, if ever, thought about. Therapy has been a tremendous blessing. They often have me doing something with my legs while simultaneously doing something with my arm/hand. I asked them why we were doing things this way rather than focusing on one task at a time. They told me that we want the brain to get back to a point where you don't really have to think about what you are doing. In other words, I want to get back to walking without thinking that I need to pick this leg up a certain way and set my foot down a certain way. I want to walk without really having to think about everything that is involved in the walking motion. Having to do this is a bit frustrating and difficult at times, but I have learned a few things in my recovery that I believe can help me (and hopefully you as well) in my spiritual walk.

Much of the trouble we encounter along our spiritual journey can be attributed to incorrect or insufficient thinking. We find ourselves in all kinds of turmoil and heartache because we often act without thinking things through. We often do the same things over and over again because we do not stop to consider the consequences of our actions. Just imagine how much better off we would be if we would rethink, or think again! Now, I am not a Greek scholar nor the son of a Greek scholar, but the most literal definition (according to what I have been able to determine) of the original word translated as "repentance" (or one of its cognates) in our English New Testaments is "think afterward." The idea is that we have thought, said, or done something which has caused us to rethink what led us to this point. This usually indicates that we have not thought enough about our words or deeds. As a result, we likely have faced the awful consequences of sinful actions.

The Bible places a premium on repentance. Jesus instructed that if we do not repent, we shall perish (Luke 13:3, 5). Paul preached to the audience on Mars' Hill that all men everywhere are commanded to repent (Acts 17:30, 31). God loves all of us so deeply that He

wants none of us to perish in eternal torment, but instead desires that all of us would come to repentance (2 Pet. 3:9). I have heard many preachers say throughout my lifetime that repentance is the most difficult command to obey. I would submit that self-denial is the most challenging charge for us to comply with, but this is what makes repentance so difficult. It forces us to rethink what we are so often accustomed to doing without giving much thought. Repentance makes us own up to the fact that our way of thinking is flawed and leads to terrible, shameful, burdensome consequences. Biblical repentance makes us acknowledge that our ways leads to spiritual death (Jer.10:23). Repentance is a bitter pill to swallow because of what it says about self. The good news is that when we come to the realization that our thinking and our way does not work, we can then turn to the way that does work, the way of the Lord. A change of mind regarding sin leads to life (Acts 11:18). The next time you are tempted to do or say something that is out of harmony with the will of God, think again!

(Patrick Morrison preaches for the Sixth Avenue Church of Christ in Jasper, Alabama.)



The Forest Hill church welcomes Don and Jackie Walker to our congregation. Brother Walker was recently added to the faculty of the Memphis School of Preaching, where he will serve as Dean of Students. He comes to us from the Southwest School of Bible Studies in Austin, Texas. I have had the pleasure of being acquainted with brother Walker for over 20 years and esteem him highly as a preacher of the gospel. Please introduce yourself to Don and Jackie and welcome them as they begin their work with us. Their address is: 8465 Linda Shore Dr. N, Southaven, MS 38672.

Barry

LORD'S TABLE

PRESIDE: Evan Manning Ryan McAlister
ASSIST: Cole Bennett Jack Braddock
 Cason Grider Caleb Hull
 Andrew Knipple Edison Ray

PRAYERS

A.M. OPENING: Eddie Ray
A.M. CLOSING: Adam Maund
P.M. OPENING: Paul Connell
P.M. CLOSING: Jagger House

If you are unable to lead prayer or serve at the Lord's table, please contact Cedric Huff or Paul Connell.

RECORD, WEEK OF January 24 2016

BIBLE STUDY: 215
 A.M. WORSHIP: 315
 P.M. WORSHIP: 210
 CONTRIBUTION: \$13,140.00

OUR SICK

Karin Hannon, mother of Ashleigh Callahan, Baptist Hospital Memphis.

ILL AT HOME: Bob Bergstrom, Sherry Brown, Shaunna Hanel and Linda McCullar.

HOMEBOUND

Bessie Berry Anita Hopper
 Ann Caughron Albert & Ruth House
 Irby Cole Clarine Justice
 Hazel Eskew Ryan McCullar
 Tommy & Nell Herndon Helen Palazola
 Anita Hopper

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CONGRATULATIONS to Brian & Rachael Everson on the birth of a daughter, Aria Rain Everson, born Wednesday, January 20. She weighed 7lb.

DIRECTORY CHANGE: Brian & Rachael Everson, 241 Ericson Rd, Cordova, TN 38018.



KIRBY PINES Retirement Community worship service each fourth Sunday 8:00-8:45a.m. conducted by Forest Hill. Our next service will be Sunday, February 28.

LEGACY ESTATES worship service each Sunday afternoon 3:00 p.m. conducted by Forest Hill.



N.B. HARDEMAN LIBRARY
 is open each Sunday afternoon from 12:45-1:15.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Dear Forest Hill,
 Thank you for the excellent way you hosted Mom's funeral and for the care you provided by feeding us after the funeral. It was such a help. Thanks to each person who prepared food, served and cleaned up. Thanks to those who helped with the media/sound system. It was a beautiful service! A special thank you to all who called Mom "friend"!

Blessings,
 Family of Robbie Cantrell

HEARTS & HANDS

TEAM "E" (Jim Woody) will meet Saturday, January 30 at 12:00 noon at the home of Harold & Carol Mangrum for a chili luncheon. Chili will be provided. Please contact Carol for what to bring.

TEAM "D" (Randy Elliott) will meet Saturday, February 6 at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Raymond & Dean Pipkin. The food will be provided.

UPCOMING EVENTS

LADIES' CLASS and MEN'S CLASS meet each Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. We will meet for breakfast at Cracker Barrel, Tuesday, February 2 at 8:45.

ELDERS & DEACONS PLANNING SESSION, Saturday, January 30 at 8:30 a.m.

JCs ASSEMBLE Sunday, January 31 after the morning service.

BRIDAL SHOWER honoring Kia Lopez, bride of David Lopez, Sunday, February 7, after the morning service. They are registered at Walmart and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

SILVER HEARTS BANQUET Saturday, February 20 at 5:30 p.m. for our senior adult members, hosted by Forest Hill Youth.

YOUTH DAY Saturday, March 26. Theme: *Faithful Love*.

50th MSOP LECTURESHIP March 27-March 31. Theme: *Preach the Word*.

VBS June 6-8.

FOUNDATIONS June 25-July 1.

Last week's solution :
Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double-minded. James 4:7-8

CORNERSTONE

Unscramble the letters in each word below to reveal the passage of scripture.

SEBSLED SI EHT NMA ATTH KHEAWTL TON NI EHT LU-
 SONEC FO EHT DYUONLG, RON ETADTSNH NI EHT
 YWA FO NESSRNI, RON EIHTTTS NI EHT TSEA FO TEH
 USFRCONL. UTB SIH TLIHGED SI NI TEH WLA FO EHT
 ROLD; NDA NI SIH WLA TOHD EH TEDTMIEA YDA NDA
 TNIHG.

Solution next week

NORTH SIDE GREETERS

Tony and Dianne Callahan (Front)
Robert and Julie Berch (Side)

February 2016

Coordinating Elder: Warren Davenport

SOUTH SIDE GREETERS

(Front) Marion and Kathy Maund
(Side) Danny and Melinda Braddock

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>1 Cason Grider Billy Rodgers</i>	<i>2 Jack Woods Jesse Callihan</i>	3	<i>4 Daniel Berch</i>	5	<i>6 Pablo Horna</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12	<i>13 Duke Brown</i>
<i>14 Beth Billings</i>	<i>15 Tagiilima Esene</i>	16	17	18	<i>19 Caleb Hull</i>	20 Silver Hearts Banquet
<i>21 Dean Scaggs Marsha Believ</i>	22	23	24	25	26	<i>27 Olivia Barnes Christa Mangrum</i>
28	29					

****Birthdays are in Italics**

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