

# The Messenger

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 FAITHFUL RIGHTEOUSNESS UPRIGHTNESS  
 OBEDIENCE COMMANDS ANOINTING  
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 LAMB HISTORICAL OBJECTION

September Bible Classes		
	Sunday Morning	Wednesday Evening
Nursery	Kathy Williams	
2 & 3 Year Olds	Lillian Warren	
4 & 5 Year Olds	Mellissa Young	Amanda Barrett
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Kami Howard	
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Paula Anderson	
5 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Matt Williams & Brian Martin	
9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Adam Warren Philippians	
Twenty Somethings	Chris Robison	
Alternate Adults	Daniel McMillin <i>Churches in Shape of Scripture</i>	W. Tom Hall <i>Road to Salvation</i>
Auditorium Adults	W. Tom Hall <i>The Life of Christ</i>	Willard Raymer <i>Elijah</i>

Schedule of Services	
Sunday	
Bible Class	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	
Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
Elders	
Richard Eubanks	270.792.3050
Brian Martin	270.576.2936
Chris Young	270.202.2252
Denver Young	270.799.8559
Matt Williams	270.779.7733
Deacons	
Perry Cole	270.202.6214
L.W. Jackson	270.996.1451
Michael Runner	270.535.5906
Adam Warren	270.980.2548
Mark Young	270.791.0140
Evangelist	
W. Tom Hall	O: 270.777.1828 M: 270.792.2132
Associate Minister	
Daniel McMillin	662.882.8756
We stand ready to assist you with any need you may have.	
You may call the church office at 270.777.1828.	
We would be honored to help if we can. May God bless you with a wonderful week.	
"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many." Mark 10:45	

## The Baptism of Jesus: Why was Jesus Baptized if He is the Sinless Son of God

The baptism of Jesus is recorded in Matthew 3:13-17, recounted in Mark 1:9-11, mentioned in Luke 3:21-22, and implied in John 1:29-34. Mark Strauss noted, "Jesus' baptism by John is one of the least disputed historical events of his life." It is evident that Jesus' baptism happened, but why was it necessary? If John baptized people with "a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Mark 1:4; Luke 3:3), and Jesus is the sinless "Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29), then why would He be baptized? John was surprised when Jesus came to the Jordan to be baptized; in fact, he attempted to stop Jesus from being baptized by saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you come to me?" (Matt. 3:14). Jesus responds to John's objections, "Allow it for now, because this is the way for us to fulfill all righteousness" (Matt. 3:15). Jesus' anointing inaugurates His ministry; it marks the beginning of His earthly ministry.

Further, his baptism connects the ministry of John with the ministry of Jesus. From Jesus' response, it is evident that Jesus does not need to be baptized. Jesus was baptized for a purpose. Jesus saw this event and His entire life as the fulfillment of "all righteousness." Jesus is demonstrating His faithful submission to God's purpose and His mission. He does not need to repent of any sins since He is sinless, as is evident from John's reaction. In Matthew's Gospel, the term "righteousness" means "uprightness," "obedience," or "faithfulness" to God's commands. Here, Jesus is viewed as the obedient Son of God who fulfills every prophecy as the promised Son of Man, starting with His anointing at the Jordan. Jesus was baptized by John to be anointed by the Holy Spirit. In the Old Testament, prophets, priests, and kings were anointed with oil, so it is fitting that Jesus, the Son of God, would be anointed by the Holy Spirit since He is our great Prophet, Priest, and King.

Daniel McMillin

# Announcements

- September 24<sup>th</sup>** Lads 2 Leaders Kickoff Following Evening Services
- September 26<sup>th</sup>** Tuesday Bible Class Resumes at 10:30 AM *Bring your Bible and food*
- October 14<sup>th</sup>** Hay Ride & Devo at Mark and Judy Youngs House at 5:00 PM
- October 14<sup>th</sup>** Ladies Day at Coral Hill Church of Christ 9:30am-11:30am  
*Speaker Kim Higginbotham*
- October 20- 21<sup>st</sup>** Mt Pleasant Ladies Retreat Sign-up Sheet in Foyer or Online  
*(More Details on Back)*
- October 27-28<sup>th</sup>** SOKY Teen Retreat at Big Reedy Christian Camp *More Details Coming Soon!*

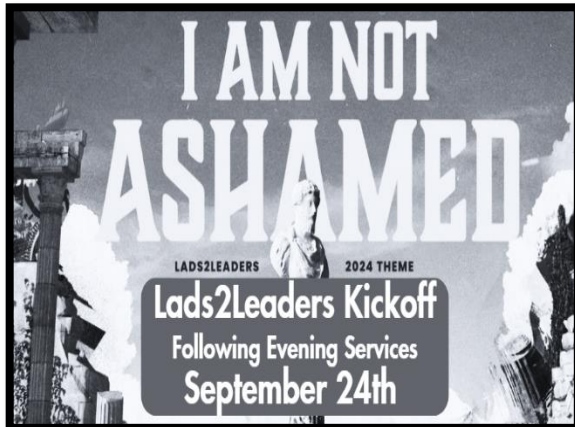


## Pulpit Preview

**Sunday 10 AM**  
Conversations with Jesus  
**Sunday 6 PM**  
Following Jesus

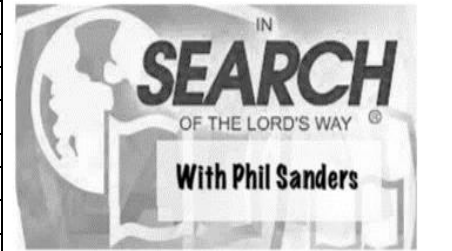


**Baptized**  
August 25, 2023  
Coraleigh Fritsch  
September 4, 2023  
Karlie Whittinghill  
In Butler County  
September 14, 2023  
Caleb Basham



## For The Record Week of September 17, 2023

Bible Class	109
AM Worship	188
PM Worship	91
Wed. Bible Study	79
Contribution	\$5,345



### Watch Search on the following stations

- WBKO DT 33 - Sun 6:30 am
- WNKY TV 40.1 - Sun 7:00 am
- Spectrum Cable Channel 184 Mon 9:30 am/Thurs 6:30 pm



*If you are visiting with us, please take a moment and fill out a visitors' card and place it in the collection plate located in the foyer. We are delighted that you're here to share in our worship service and hope that you will please visit us again real soon!*

Sunday Morning Services	September 24	October 1
Security 1	Randy Reneau	Cody Basham
Security 2	Tommy Flora	Michael Runner
Security 3	Perry Cole	L.W. Jackson
Security 4	Grant Cole	Eddie Windham
Audio Video Controls	Chris Robison	Andy Wagoner
Song Leader	Mason Miller	Brian Martin
Opening Prayer	Greg Isenberg	Victor Davis
Welcome	Chris Young	Denver Young
Worship Service Prayer	Andy Wagoner	Paul Isenberg
Communion Prayer	Richard Eubanks	Willard Raymer
Lord's Table Center Left	-----	Lyle Johnson
Lord's Table Center Right	-----	Fred Heath
Lord's Table Assist Left 2	-----	Reagan Young
Lord's Table Assist Right 2	-----	Chris Young
Lord's Table Assist Left 3	-----	Joshua Barrett
Lord's Table Assist Right 3	-----	Landon Miller
Scripture Reading	Randy Reneau	Mason Miller
Announcements/ Closing Prayer	Reagan Young	Daniel McMillin
Sunday Evening Services	September 27	October 4
Security 1	Mark Young	Matthue Harmon
Security 2	Travis Young	Shawn Hudson
Security 3	Fred Heath	Jeff Morrison
Song Leader	Zach Martin	Adam Warren
Opening Prayer	Cody Basham	Greg Isenberg
Scripture Reading	Adam Warren	Zach Martin
Lord's Table	Brian Martin	Doug Depp
Closing Prayer	Hunter Barrett	Brian Raymer
Monthly Assignments	September	October
Lock Building	Adam Warren	W. Tom Hall
Baptismal Laundry	Loretta Diccico	Rita Runner
Assist with Men's Baptisms	Travis Young	Joshua Barrett
Assist with Women's Baptisms	Tracy Martin	Donna Eubanks
Bread Distribution	Bake	Give Out
September 24	Tracy Martin	Becky J. & Joy R.
October 1	Tina Hall	Danielle & Claire Robison

**\*\* If unable to serve, contact Michael Runner at 270.535.5906 \*\***

## Prayer Requests

• Kayla Johnson	• Faye McKinley
• Linda Vincent	• Gerry Utley
• Trent Doyle	• Sam Haynes
• Pat Johnson	• Victoria Jackson
• Daryl Lowe	• Mike Collier (Donna Parker's Brother)
• Norman Logsdon	• Wilma Blankenship
• J.L. Young – Massey Springs – Memory Care 2945 Small House Rd. Bowling Green, KY 42104 Phone 270.904.1999	• Jeff Morrison
• Addy Justis	• Jimmy Wilmoth
<i>Remembering Our Homebound Wilma Blankenship</i>	

## God's Plan of Salvation

### God's Part

Great love of God for man **John 3:16**  
Gave His Son, Jesus Christ, as the Savior **Luke 19:10**  
Sent the Holy Spirit as a guide **John 16:13**  
The Gospel as "the power" unto salvation **Romans 1:16**  
Provided atonement by the blood of Christ **Romans 5:9**

### Man's Part

Hear the Gospel **Romans 10:17, John 8:32**  
Believe the Gospel **Hebrews 11:6, John 20:31**  
Repent of past sins **Luke 13:3, Acts 17:30**  
Confess faith in Jesus Christ **Rom. 10:10, Matthew 10:32**  
Be Baptized **Galatians 3:27, Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38**  
Be faithful unto death **Revelations 2:10**

## This Week's Question

**"And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is" what?**

Please give your answer with scripture to Adam or Lil Warren by Wednesday Evening.

September 17<sup>th</sup> What does Solomon say is, "the conclusion of the whole matter?"

(Answer: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man's all; Ecclesiastes 12:13)

Fred Heath, Tammy Puckett-Goss, Bobby and Darlene Pruett, Logan Barrett, Lenora Isenberg, Jessie Wilson, Judy McBride, Shorty & Thelma Wurst, Kathy & Matt Williams and others who did not want to be listed, answered correctly!

## Bible Trivia Challenge

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