

Spilman Memorial Baptist Church
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*Connecting you with the body of Christ at
Spilman Memorial Baptist Church*
JANUARY 2020



CHURCH STAFF

Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr., Interim Pastor
Clay Whittington, Director of Music and Organist
Pam Taylor, Pianist
Karensa Marques, Administrative Assistant
Michelle Sutton, Finance Assistant
Michael and Vance Aldridge, Custodians
Jerry Crisp, Security
Carineta Bruinton, Nursery

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP MENU & RESERVATIONS

JAN 8 *MEAL 5:15 - MENU NOT AVAILABLE YET*
JAN. 15 *MEAL 5:15 - MENU NOT AVAILABLE YET*
JAN. 22 *MEAL 5:15 - MENU NOT AVAILABLE YET*
JAN. 29 *MEAL 5:15 - MENU NOT AVAILABLE YET*

JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Wednesday Night Meals will begin on
January 8, 2020.
Fellowship Meal Menu - TBA

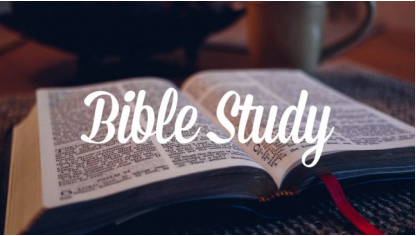
CONTACT OFFICE FOR DETAILS & SIGNUP
INCLUDES PERMANENT & WEEKLY MEALS

**PLEASE HAVE CORRECT CHANGE FOR YOUR
WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL**

ADULTS: \$ 6.00
CHILDREN UNDER 12: \$3.00

Sunday School classes begin at 9:15 a.m.

One Accord Class, Bess Hooks Gleaners Class, Sharon Dew
Travis Class, Larry Williams Daly Class, Jim Barlow and Ray Wooten
Youth and Children, Beth Crisp, Donna Keith, and Carineta Bruinton



Shirlene Koonce Deacon of the Month



Shirlene is married to Jay Koonce and she has one daughter, Amy. She has been a member of Spilman since 1978.

She is involved in Spilman in MANY ways. She is currently serving as a Deacon and is President of the One Accord Sunday school class. Shirlene is a member of the DELTA and J.O.Y. group. She serves on the Personal Care Team (week 4) and is a member of the worship team.

Media Center Volunteers

We are now recruiting volunteers to work in the media center for Sunday morning worship. If you would be interested in taking part in a training session, please see Dr. Dew, Doug Blizzard, or Amber and David Arnold. We feel this is an important ministry of the church that needs to be shared by several individuals on a rotating basis.



Looking Back ... Looking Ahead



CLAY WHITTINGTON

As the Christmas season comes to a close and we enter into the season after the Epiphany, this seasonal cycle we adhere to in the church does not allow for much rest or recovery from Christmas, but it does seem to spark an excitement to hit the ground running in the new year. I look forward to my first Lent and Easter at Spilman Memorial but must take the time to stop and reflect on what I have been blessed with here.

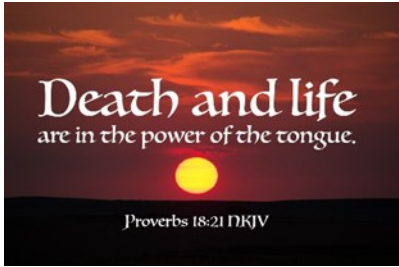
Pam Taylor, our pianist, seems to hit every curve ball I throw her way. I have spent the last eight months learning the ins and outs of our choir and Pam has been right there beside me, ready to roll with just about everything. The choir and I greatly appreciate having her on staff here at Spilman. She certainly helps to make my job here enjoyable (and she makes a killer pineapple cake).

I greatly appreciate the support from the congregation and look forward to my future with this church.

Thank you!

Words REALLY Matter!

“*Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me!*” Have you ever heard these words shouted out on the playground in elementary school? I know I heard it from many of my fellow students – especially after the school bully called them fat, ugly, stupid, or dumb! I have come to understand that student was in a state of denial about how those words really did hurt others.



Words – we all use them. We wait for our infant children to say “Daddy” or “Mama.” We hunger for those words of affirmation of love and devotion from those we love. We long for our parents to affirm us as special, important, smart, good looking, or a great son or daughter. Affirming words water our thirsty souls.



DR. H. POWELL DEW, JR.

Words – we all use them. We scream at the irresponsible driver in front of us. We are impatient, impolite, selfish, self-centered in our interactions with our family, neighbors, friends, co-workers, and maybe fellow church members. Bitter words wither our fragile spirits.

When God created the world, He used words and spoke creation into existence. “*Let there be*”

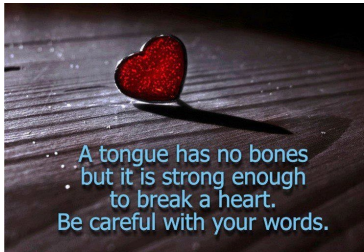
Because we are created in the image of God, we too can create many things with the right use of our words. We can also destroy so much when we do not tame our tongues. We are warned repeatedly in the Bible about how important it is to control our words.

On December 29th, I preached on the passage found in James 3:5. It says, “*Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles!*” I spoke about how important it is for us not to use a profane tongue, a lying tongue, or a gossiping tongue. But the Bible doesn’t stop with these three misuses of our tongues. As you can see from this chart, there are more ways our tongues can inflict injury on others.

| Taming our Tongues | | | |
|--|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| James 3 Revelation 14:5 “No Lie was found in their Mouths” | | | |
| LYING Revelation 21:8 | CURSING Ephesians 4:29 | BOASTING 1 Corinthians 13:4 | CRUDE JOKING Ephesians 5:4 |
| SLANDER Leviticus 16:16 | DECEIT Romans 3:13 | GOSSIP Romans 1:29 | FOOLISH TALK Ephesians 5:4 |
| OBSCENE TALK Colossians 3:8 | HARSH CRITICISM 1 Corinthians 13:4 | FALSE TEACHING Titus 1:10-11 | |
| CROOKED SPEECH Proverbs 4:24 | EVIL SPEAKING Ephesians 4:31 RevelationScriptures.com | CARELESS WORD Matthew 12:36 | |

Set a guard over my mouth, O LORD: keep watch over the door of my lips.
- Psalm 141:3 -

As we begin a new year, may we allow Paul’s word found in Philippians 4:8-9 convict us where we have failed to set a guard over our mouth and instruct us in the way we are to go. “*Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things. The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace shall be with you.*”



He who guards his mouth preserves his life, But he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction.
Proverbs 13:3

"If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless."
(James 1:26)

JANUARY 2020 HIGHLIGHTS

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| JAN 1 (WED) | NEW YEAR’S DAY - OFFICE CLOSED | |
| | NO EVENING ACTIVITIES | |
| JAN 5 (SUN) | DEACONS’ MEETING | 8:00 AM |
| | SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:15 AM |
| | WORSHIP & COMMUNION SERVICE | 10:30 AM |
| JAN 6 (MON) | EPIPHANY | |
| JAN 8 (WED) | AOC MEETING - WESTMINSTER UMC | 12:00 PM |
| | FELLOWSHIP MEALS RESUME | 5:15 PM |
| | PRAYER MEETING / BIBLE STUDY | 6:00 PM |
| | JANUARY BIBLE STUDY BEGINS TONIGHT | |
| | CHOIR REHEARSAL RESUMES | 7:00 PM |
| JAN 12 (SUN) | SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:15 AM |
| | WORSHIP SERVICE | 10:30 AM |
| JAN 15 (WED) | MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST RESUMES | 8:00 AM |
| | FELLOWSHIP MEAL | 5:15 PM |
| | PRAYER GATHERING / BIBLE STUDY | 6:00 PM |
| | CHOIR REHEARSAL | 7:00 PM |
| JAN 19 (SUN) | SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:15 AM |
| | WORSHIP SERVICE - BAPTIST MEN’S SUNDAY | 10:30 AM |
| JAN 20 (MON) | MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY - OFFICE CLOSED | |
| JAN 26 (SUN) | SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:15 AM |
| | WORSHIP SERVICE | 10:30 AM |
| JAN 29 (WED) | MEN’S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST | 8:30 AM |
| | FELLOWSHIP MEAL | 5:15 PM |
| | PRAYER GATHERING/BIBLE STUDY | 6:00 PM |
| | CHOIR PRACTICE | 7:00 PM |

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

Worship & Communion Service
10:30 AM

Deacons’ Meeting
8:00 AM

Special Word of Thanks

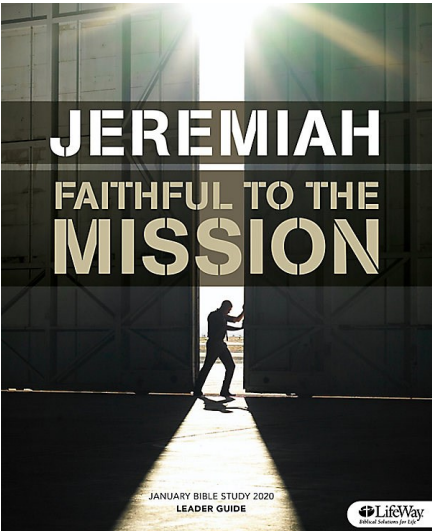
I would like to express my appreciation to everyone for their cards, gifts, calls, and food. We appreciate every thoughtful word, act, and deed done for us during this past Christmas season. May God richly bless you as you have blessed us.
– Dr. and Mrs. H. Powell Dew, Jr.



2020
BIRTHDAYS

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|----|--------------------|----|------------------------|
| 2 | JOAN JOYNER | 21 | JILL CROOM |
| 5 | DOUG BLIZZARD | 23 | CLAY WHITTINGTON |
| 7 | PHIL OUTLAW | 24 | MARLENE C. DIXON |
| 12 | JERRY CRISP | 24 | REID LOVICK |
| 12 | MAC DAUGHETY | 26 | RAY DAIL |
| 13 | TOM CHANEY | 27 | DR. H. POWELL DEW, JR. |
| 14 | SHIRLEY OVERTON | 28 | LEON OWENS |
| 15 | SUSAN BROOKS | 29 | DANIELLE JONES |
| 19 | BETTY JEAN CARLYLE | 30 | JEANNIE BANNISTER |
| 20 | PAUL LINCKE, III | 30 | BETSY MILLER |
| 21 | TINA CRUMPTON | | |

January Bible Study



This years January Bible Study is “*Jeremiah— Faithful to the Mission.*” This in-depth study of God’s Word will begin on January 8th at 6:00 pm.

This 2020 Study features eight lessons from Jeremiah. By beginning our new year with an intensive study of God’s word, we reinforce the priority of the Bible, foster transformation as learners, encourage people to become lifelong learners, and provide spiritual refreshment. As we listen and learn together, we build up our relationships among each other.

Everyone is invited to attend. No Sign Up is necessary.