The Light Has Come!



"Darkness," may be defined as the partial or total absence of light. When light is removed objects are unrecognizable or distorted. The human eye can't perceive color without light. One can't judge distance

very well when stumbling in the dark of night. Darkness also hides what could easily be recognized in the light; whether that is a rugged pathway, furniture in a room, a curving highway or an abyss that looms ahead. When we choose to walk in darkness trouble usually ensues. It is no wonder Jesus used the metaphor of light to describe Himself and His followers.

John 8:12 English Standard Version (ESV) 12 Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Early in my ministry I served a church that underwent some severe problems which ended up splitting the congregation. The chairman of deacons and I felt compelled to visit in the homes of many who were on both sides of this particular issue. After many days of heartfelt prayer and visitation, it seemed our efforts were fruitless.

Evelyn and I lived in a staff house across the street from the church, and for over two weeks I hadn't had time to cut the grass. This particular day I got home late but determined the lawn would be mowed. I finished the front yard, and with the glimmer of light remaining persevered to the back. After a few rounds it seemed inevitable that I would not have enough light to finish.

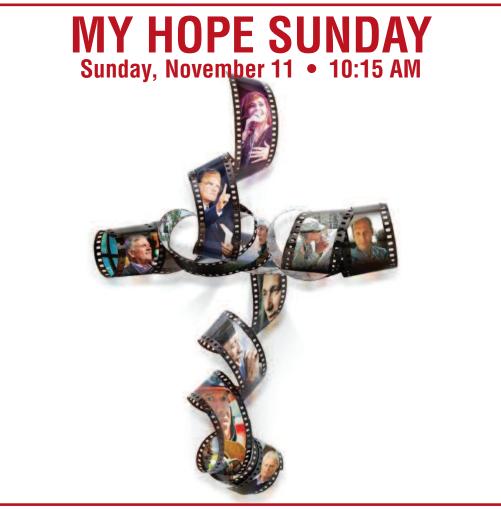
At this juncture in my life most things felt unsettled and "unfinished." In my mind not completing the needed lawn maintenance was just one more thing left undone. I prayed: "Lord PLEASE let me finish this one thing. Please give me enough light to complete this single task!" I made a few more rounds with ever encroaching blackness surrounding me. I prayed again for help! ... I continued. Then at the moment I almost packed it up, leaving yet another thing in my life woefully incomplete, a flicker from the security light came on. It didn't ignite in a blaze of brightness, it lazilywith an almost imperceptible progression gave just enough light to see one step in front of my path.... I continued. The light advanced with incremental improvement toward its full illumination over a period of several minutes, giving just enough light to continue without hopeless abandon to the project. When I finally finished the security light was in full illumination. I could see where I had cut and it actually looked pretty good! "Thank you



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God!" I understood. God would supply enough light to see the next step. Keep walking. (He said) Don't give up.

God did provide the light we needed for that very difficult moment in our lives. Maybe you are at the cross roads in your own life. Take heart, God brings light to the darkest moments of our Spiritual journey. Keep walking! Keep trusting!

This year our Christmas music program is entitled: The Light Has Come! It celebrates the birth of the light giver - Jesus Christ! We are His light as well. One way you can share the light is to invite someone to join you for this special event on Sunday, December 2 at 3 or 6 PM.

The Light Has Come! Share it!

KEITH

IN THE PULPIT

A.M. My Hope Sunday P.M. "Growing In Faith"



ERRY VEAZEY

Pray for Evangelist Terry Veazey as he is on mission in Nicaragua, from November 10 - 17.

- Evangelize Students
- Train Church Leaders
- Distribut Gospel Literature
- Preach Revival/Crusade

"Pray without ceasing!"

1 Thessalonians 5:17

For additional information go to www.terryveazey.org

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RA/PARENT TRIP DeSoto Caverns

Saturday, November 17

RAs and their families are invited to DeSoto Caverns for a day of fun! This trip includes a tour of the cave and attraction tickets. The cost is \$15 per person. RAs must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult. We will meet at the large pavilion at the front of the parking lot at 11 AM. You may purchase a meal at DeSoto Caverns or bring your own lunch. After we eat, the group will take a tour of the cave and then the boys can chose their own attractions. Additional tickets may be purchased. We need a final count by Wednesday, November 14. Directions to Desoto Caverns will be provided.

If you have questions or would like to sign up, please contact your son's RA Counselor or Wayne Robinson.

Sanctuary Choir CDs will arrive soon!

The Sanctuary Choir, Youth Choir and Celebration Singers are featured on a custom recording that will be released in November. This professional recording will contain ten selections. CDs may be pre-ordered by calling the church office.

> \$15 per CD \$40 • 3 CDs (Save \$5) \$60 • 5 CDs (Save \$15)

These would make great Christmas gifts! After the cost investment is recouped all proceeds will go to children and youth scholarship funds for camps, choir tour, etc. as well as for the purchase of instruments for the music ministry.

DID YOU MISS LAST WEEK'S SERMON? NO WORRIES!

Log onto our Facebook page (facebook.com/ehbconline) or website (ehbconline.com) to watch it!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY BIRTHDAY BOARD

DEACONS MEETING

Sunday, November 11

3:30 PM • Room 150

Marah O'Callaghan

November 9

Dear Church Family,

The Acteens and their leaders would like to say Thank You for your incredibly generous support of our Bake Sale.
We sold out and that is awesome!

Thank You!



Your financial gifts will be a blessing as we seek to serve and love on our community and beyond. To God alone be all Glory!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Collection day is this Sunday, November 11. Donation is \$9 Do not Include Toothpaste or Candy

SENIOR ACTIVITIES Up-coming Events

SHOPPING IN FOLEY & BELLINGRATH

Thursday, November 15 Friday, November 16

CHAPPY'S BREAKFAST BUNCH

Monday, November 26 • 8 AM

CELEBRATION SINGERS

Thursday, November 29 • 9:30 AM

B.A.L.L. CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Thursday, December 6 • 6 PM

SENIOR ADULT SHOPPING TRIP

Shopping in Foley, Lunch at Oyster House then Bellingrath Gardens Thursday-Friday, November 15-16

Bus 1 is coming back the same day Buses 2 & 3 are staying over night to visit the gardens the next day.

Cost is \$64
Due Sunday, November 11

DEMENTIA/ALZHEIMER Caregiver Support Group

Tuesday, November 13 • 6:00 PM in the Reception Room

MONTGOMERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION'S 10th Annual Sam's Angel Market

FOR MONTGOMERY FAMILIES IN NEED

Saturday, December 8 at Heritage Baptist Church
1849 Perry Hill Road • Montgomery, AL

Suggested Toy Donation lists are available in the kiosks and collection bins are in both Welcome Centers. Please help invited local families purchase gifts for their children at a reduced price that gives parents dignity and a testimony of God's love.

8 Ways You and Your Church Can Help:

- 1. Volunteer on December 8.
- 2. Gather toys at your job/church and bring to Drop Off Day on Monday, December 3 to Heritage parking lot.
- 3. Bake goodies for Parents Cafe.
- 4. Bring a group to sing for/with the families.
- 5. Donate funds to buy toys.
- 6. Donate Bibles (Large Print CEV or TEV).
- 7. Pray for Sam's Angel Market.
- 8. Help get the word out for donations!

Contact Lisa Rose at Montgomery Baptist Association for more details. 334-271-6794 or Irose@mgmbaptists.org

R	ed	Christmas	Poins	ettias
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There are 75 Red Poinsettias available for those who would like to place a flower in the Sanctuary this Christmas Season in memory or honor of a loved one. Please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate or turn it into the church office. Poinsettias are \$10.00 each. Please include payment. We will print in THE MESSENGER the names of those giving poinsettias and to whom they are given in memory or honor. Order DEADLINE is Sunday, November 25.

You may pick up your poinsettia following the Christmas Eve Service on December 24!

Given By	 	 	
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WEDNESDAY NIGHT MENU

November 14, 2018

Family Night Meal 4:45 p.m.

Poppyseed Chicken and Rice. Green Beans. Pineapple Casserole, Roll, Cake

CHILDREN'S MENU

Hamburger, Chips, Ice Cream

SOUP/SALAD BAR

Soup

\$5 Adult/Salad • \$3 Children • Household Max. \$15

Please note that you must CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE BY 12:00 pm ON MONDAY to make or change your reservation. NO SHOWS ARE EXPECTED TO PAY.

FAMILY

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

To Jim & Linda Solze in the death of his cousin, Dale Solze, in Ohio.



Thank You to Diane Montgomery for her service of Pastor's Secretary. Thank You to Cheryl Jarrell as she fills in temporarily as Pastor's Secretary.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club will NOT meet in December

Our December book that will be

discussed in January is

"Catching Christmas"

by Terri Blackstock.

MEN'S MINISTRY

BIBLE STUDY

Mondays, 6:00 PM • Room 150

PRAYER GROUP

Tuesdays, 6:45 AM • Reception Room

EXTENDED SESSION WORKERS

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SERVICE TEAMS THIS SUNDAY

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Trey Kennedy, Barry Leavell

COUNTING COMMITTEE

Morris Kendrick, Bill Parker

GOLF CART DRIVERS

John Messick, Jim Tanner

SAFETY TEAM

David Welch

OFFERTORY TEAM

Captain: Dan Summers Robert Sessions, Trey Kennedy, Larry Kennedy, Don Cluck

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVERS

Ann Ball, Bobbie Owens, Chuck Lerner, Barbara Lerner

TOUCH Outreach Ministries

Guests on Campus: 20

ON THE GROW

Bible Study Attendance for November 4, 2018

	Att.
G.O.	5
Preschool & Teachers	32
Children & Teachers	49
Youth & Teachers	51
Adults	404
Total	541
Morning Worship Total	467

BUDGET REPORT

Year to Date

Budget Requirements	\$1,500,155.80
Budget Receipts	1,386,467.00
Under Budget	113,688.80

Weekly Budget Report November 4, 2018

Budget Requirements	\$34,094.45
Budget Receipts	48,857.20
Over Budget	14,762.75

Designated

Designated \$2,188.35

2's: Matt & Angie Segrest 3's/4's: Randy & Jane Martin

Please be in place by 10:00 am 10:15 Service Babies: Alicia & Morgan McCarver

Captain: Tammy Woodall

Toddlers: Jamie & Leiser Sisk