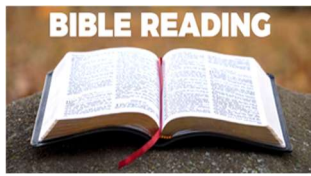


Week 17
April 27-May 03
Psalms 42-72,
I Corinthians
 (47 chapters)



Week 18
May 04-10
Psalm 73-106,
II Corinthians
 (47 chapters)



MEMBER

Please scan QR code or fill out a visitor's card so we may have a record of your attendance. Thank you for being with us today!



VISITOR

Today's Service - 4/27/25	
Morning	Evening
Opening Prayer Donnie Lane	Opening Prayer David Myers
Preside/Reading David Myers	Bible Reading Stephen Embry
Closing Prayer Shane Lee	SINGING
Lord's Supper to Shut-Ins Mike Fry	Closing Prayer Reid Newton
Wednesday April 30	
Opening Prayer Daniel Nix	Devotional Scott Wright
SINGING	Closing Prayer Jordan Nix
Read Scripture James Embry	
Young Men	
Song Gaines Hardy Reading Tucker Wright Prayer Asher Owens	
Sunday 5/04/25	
Morning	Evening
Opening Prayer Daniel Nix	Opening Prayer Stephen Speake
Preside/Reading Reid Newton	Bible Reading Mike Fry
Closing Prayer Brock Owens	Lead Singing Garrett Beavers
Lord's Supper to Shut-ins Shane Lee	Closing Prayer Randall Tucker
Lock Up Building	
4/27 SUN AM Marc Peck	5/04 SUN AM Terrell Phillips
4/27 SUN PM Reid Newton	5/07 WED Stephen Speake
4/30 WED Brock Owens	
Sound Room	
April 17-30 Trent Patterson, John Hester May 1-15 James Embry, Stephen Embry	
Prepare Communion	
April 20 & 27 Trent & Krista Patterson May 04 & 11 Brock & Leslie Owens	
Baptismal Garments April Wanda Myers May Leslie Owens	
Annex Set Up April Benjy & Diana McCafferty May Daniel Nix	
Attendance	Contribution
4/20 SUN BIBLE CLASS.....159	4/20.....\$8,932.33
4/20 SUN AM.....331	Budget.....\$11,577.00
4/20 SUN PM.....83	
4/23 WED.....115	



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SUN AM Bible Class .9:00 a.m.
 SUN AM Worship . . 10:00 a.m.
 SUN PM Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m.
 Tues. Bible Study. . . 10:00 a.m.

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Continuing the look at Hebrews 11 in hopes that your faith is strengthened and you are encouraged... *(Special thanks to Matt Cauthen)*

Today's Reading – Genesis 4:1–26
 Genesis chapter four is the story of Cain and Abel. Most of the time the focus is on Cain murdering his brother in a jealous rage, God's dialogue with Cain and God's punishment. We will focus on Abel's story during this short study. Abel's story consists of one verse (Genesis 4:4), but the impact of his story is seen throughout Scripture and still today.

Genesis 4:3 records the first act of worship and sacrifice to God, following the entrance of sin into the world in chapter three. This is where we read of Cain's sacrifice. In verse four, Abel also brought an offering and the verse ends "... And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering," Verse five tells us that God did not respect Cain and his offering. Why was Abel's sacrifice respected by God but Cain's was not? The Hebrews writer helps us understand the story better in chapter 11. Hebrews 11:4 says "By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks." The difference between Cain and Abel's sacrifice was faith. What was the source of Abel's faith? Paul tells us in Romans 10:17 - "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." Abel's sacrifice was offered out of complete trust in God and His righteous ways. Abel obeyed the instruction of God and offered what was asked of him, not what he thought would be acceptable.

We can learn several things from Abel's example of faith. One, complete obedience to God does not mean your life will be trouble free. Abel displayed complete faith in God's instruction and it cost him his life. Jesus tells his disciples this very thing in Matthew 24:9: "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake."

Second, pleasing God will sometimes result in displeasing man. Our lives need to reflect our goal of being pleasing to God and not pleasing to man. There will be times when pleasing God will be displeasing to people in life. Peter and the Apostles were looking at the possibility of more

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persecution if they did not follow the commands of the council to stop preaching about Jesus in Acts 5 but their reply in verse 29 was: Acts 5:29- "But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than men.'"

Third, there is only one way to God. God will not accept whatever we want to give to Him. What Cain offered to God in Genesis 4 may have been the best he had. It could have been of great value (to man) but it is not what God commanded and this was not accepted by God. Notice what Jesus tells Thomas in John 14:6 "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Abel's story is short, but very powerful. Faith is required to please God and to be able to offer worship that will be acceptable. 1 Peter 2:5 says "you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

Sick List

Vauda Wilson fell Tuesday. She is home but bruised and sore.

Ross Smith is at home recovering from heart surgery.

Crystal Pruitt, daughter of Hollis (friend of Jackie Poss), has kidney failure.

Extended Illness: **Genell McLemore**, **Martha Flanagan**, **Cecil & Linda Haraway**, **Dude & Shelby Weathers**, **Jerry & Faye Bedingfield**, **Linda Rekart**, **John Embry** (father of Melia Owens and brother to James Embry), **Kim Grimes** (daughter of Glen & Vauda Wilson), **Lela Mae Hamilton** (mother of Joan Owens), **Barry Bedingfield** (brother-in-law of Linda Chambers), **Oaklynn Jackson** (daughter of Eli & Taylor Gordon Jackson), **Linda Gordan** (mother-in-law of Tammy Gordan), **Dustin Woodard** (friend of Alicia Black), **Marleigh Gilbert**, **Rachael Weir**, **Dennis Raney**, **Larry Bailey** (friend of Gearld Whitman), **Harrison Bobo** (great-grandson of Randy & Glenda Pyle)

Shut-Ins

Diane Embry (home), **Vera Cox** (LCNH), **Vella Green** (Rm 2308 Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home, 7054 Veterans Pkwy, Pell City, AL 35125), **Willie Mae Eldridge** (El Reposo), **Alice Ezell** (home), **Bob Fay** (Avita of Brunswick, 89 Admiral Fitch Ave., Brunswick, ME 04011), **Mahlon & Gladys Graham** (home), **Dixie Kelly** (home), **Emma Smith** (22050 Indian Trace, Athens, AL 35613)



Sympathy

Betty Grisham passed away last Thursday. Please remember her family in your prayers.

We also express our sympathy to Mike Fry in the loss of his uncle, Ron Wilkins.

Thank You

Thank you for the sweet Easter basket that was brought to us last week.

-Jerry & Faye Bedingfield

Placed Membership

We welcome Sherry Clark (sister of Tammy Jones) to our family.

Birthday Celebration

Everyone is invited to a birthday celebration for Olivia Embry this Tuesday, April 29 from 5:00-7:00 PM in the annex.

Fellowship Meal and Early Service

Next Sunday we will have our monthly fellowship meal followed by service at 12:30. Please bring food for your family and to share. We ask for Group 1 (last name A-M) to serve and Group 2 (N-Z) to clean up.

Fifth Wednesday Night

Everyone will meet in the auditorium to sing this Wednesday.

Vacation Bible School Craft Needs

- Approx. 36' of red paper chains
- a large wardrobe box
- 12+ pool noodles (any colors)
- 3 large black foam boards
- gold or silver spray paint
- colored felt
- 50 small round pebbles (less than dime size)
- wrapping paper tubes (brown middle tube)
- different colored solid paper plates (just a few of each color so extras you may have!)
- 12+ empty paint cans (preferably silver and fairly clean/rinsed out)

See Mandy with any questions.

Upcoming Events

Senior Recognition May 18 – This year's graduates are Samuel Adams, Molly Burchell, Brantley May, Meredith Newton, and Kayleigh Phillips.

June 01- July 13 Sunday Evening Summer Series

6/1 (12:30pm) - Dale Hubbert

6/29 - Lonnie Jones

6/8 - Dr. Jeremy Barrier

7/6 (12:30pm) - Travis Creasy

6/15 - Dalton Wright

7/13 - Clark Sims

6/22 - Ken Delano

June 29-July 4 - Indian Creek Youth Camp Registration is now open. Visit indiancreekyouthcamp.org and find Larkin/Wright week 6/29-7/4 to register.

July 20-23 Vacation Bible School

Area Events

East Hill Pulaski, TN Truth in Love Lectureship April 30-May 4

UNA Christian Student Center Golf Tournament April 28, register by 21st

Lucas Street May 17-18 Great Day in May

Talladega Ladies Day May 17; Speaker: Celine Sparks

Union Girls Day May 31; Speakers: Bree Neighbors and Anna Maxwell

Additional information is located on the bulletin board in the education wing.