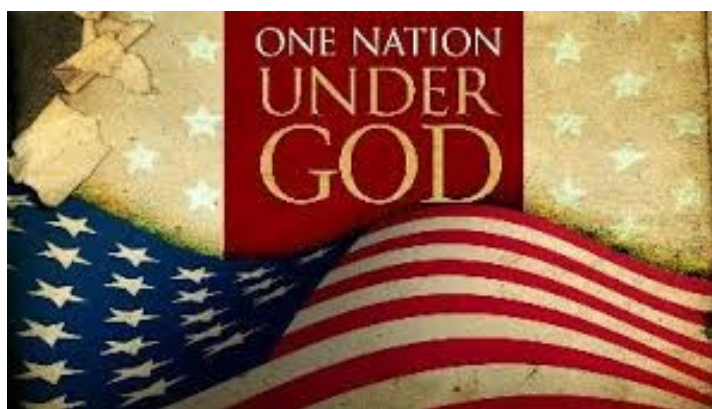




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One Person at a Time

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# Barcelona Banner



## MAY MEMORY VERSE

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

~Matthew 6:33, KJV

*Sunday, May 27*

*10:30 AM Service*

*Combined special service to remember  
members who died during the past year  
and those who paid the ultimate  
sacrifice in service to our country.*

## From my heart to yours:

### May I Be Excused?

Let's look at some "copouts" or excuses related to church. **First**, people say, "There are hypocrites in the church, so that is why I don't attend." This is a lame excuse! We don't talk about hypocrites at the office, in the schools, or in the stores. We don't let hypocrites in Hollywood keep us from movies, or hypocrites in sports keep us from going to ball games. Edgar A. Guest wrote: "Men often sneeringly besmirch the hypocrites that go to church. Yet, no one has a word to say, of hypocrites who stay away." Of course, there are hypocrites in the church. But we are not to measure ourselves by others. Paul wrote, "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12).

**Second**, people say, "You don't have to belong to a church to be a Christian." This statement may be true, but is it reasonable? Yes, you can be a rose without a bush, but you won't last long. You can be a hot coal without a fire, but your warmth will soon grow cold. The church is our lifeline. It is our support system. A preacher tells about the time he came upon a stalled car. An old man and two boys were trying to push it up a hill. His conscience reasoned, "I should stop and help them. This is an opportunity for service." Another voice protested, "It's none of your business. You'll get hot and dirty helping them." Nevertheless, he stopped and helped. Afterward, the old man stuck out his hand and said, "I am so glad you came along. Your strength added to ours was just enough to get the car going." Every person is important in the life of the church. We need each other as well. The writer of Hebrews counsels, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is" (Hebrews 10:25).

**Third**, folks complain, "The church is always asking for money. Every time I go, they expect me to give." Now it is true that some unscrupulous religious leaders and organizations try to "fleece their flocks." But most local churches are responsible in their stewardship. It is ironic that some who complain about the church and giving gladly pay to attend sporting events and concerts. They regularly pay for roads and schools and health benefits. They shop in malls, bid at auctions, and pay restaurants for the privilege of eating. They know nothing is really free.



A man sat quietly in the business meeting of his church and listened as one member after another stood to speak against a worthy fund-raising project. Finally, he spoke. "Brothers and sisters, I just want to say this. Years ago, a little boy was born into our family. From the moment he came he cost us something. We paid for food, clothes, medicine, toys, and a little cocker spaniel puppy. When he went to school, there were more expenses. There were books and supplies and fees and swimming lessons. Later when he went to college, we had to get a loan to pay his tuition." The man paused to clear his throat. He continued, "Then, one day he died, and since then he hasn't cost us a cent." Anything worthwhile costs something. "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

**Finally**, some people say, "I don't need the church or to consider spiritual things, because I've got plenty of time." This is not a valid excuse, because life is short. We are never certain about tomorrow. The Epistle of James talks about first century business men who made their marketing plans confident they could control the future. They were reminded, however, that life is like a mist that appears briefly and then vanishes away. (James 4:13-14). Indeed, life is short, and we must make the most of it!

Your Pastor,  
Jon Stubblefield

### Attendance & Finances

	Bible Study	Sun AM	Sun PM	Wed.
3/04/18	166	173	81	90
3/11/18	176	174	67	93
3/18/18	164	187	64	50
3/25/18	168	222	77	80

MARCH BUDGET RECEIPTS: \$42,614.58



If anyone would like to have a puzzle to KEEP, please visit our Library and take one home with you. We have an abundance of them.

Thank you.



1—David Robinson  
 2—Carolyn Gaston  
 2—Hunter Goodwin  
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 7—Dot Ashley  
 10—Loretta Smith  
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 15—Mari Daniels  
 16—Gary Manweiler  
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 23—Donna Bigg  
 25—Ryan McGuire  
 27—Ralph Felder  
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 30—Duane and Pat Blakley  
 31—Bill and Linda Diefenbach



### SUGGESTIONS FOR MAY

Toys, small cars, balls, baseballs, toys that light up/make noise (extra batteries), flashlight (extra batteries), tools (screw drivers, pliers, etc. for 10-14 age group)



Congratulations to Jax Belin upon graduation from Jessieville High School which he has attended since his freshman year.

Jax and his grandparents, Betty and Tom, moved to the Village in August 2014 from McGehee.

He was on the yearbook staff, a member of National Honor Society and Beta Club. Jax served as manager for the basketball team and is a competitive bowler.

Jax is undecided where he will attend college next year but his major will be pre-med wherever he decides to go.

We wish Jax God's speed and pray for his continued academic success.





The HSV Gideon's Auxiliary will present information on the Gideon's and their greeting card ministry from 10 a.m. to noon on Friday, May 18. Joan McMurry and Kitty Braswell will lead the program to be held in the Fellowship Hall.

A video will be shown, free greeting cards will be handed out, and there will be an opportunity to send Gideon Bibles for \$5 each in honor of loved ones' birthdays, anniversaries, and other special events.

Sandwiches and coffee will be provided, and the church and community are invited to participate.

For more information, please contact Joan McMurry at 922-4237.

## BRBC VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 11 -15

9-12 AM

AGES: 6 YRS, THROUGH

6TH GRADE

## PREREGISTRATION FUN DAY

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

9-NOON

BOUNCY HOUSES, GAMES,

REFRESHMENTS

COME ONE, COME ALL!

## BIBLE SCHOOL MEMORIES—OH WHAT FUN!!

1. Do you have a favorite memory from a Vacation Bible School you attended as a child?

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2. Do you remember what songs you sang at VBS? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What kinds of games or crafts do you remember doing at Bible Schools? \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT:  
YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO SHELLY WAGNER or THE CHURCH OFFICE. THANK YOU!

# MAY 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:00 Deacon Council	2 5:00 Youth/All Stars 6:00 Prayer Service 6:55 Choir Rehearsal	3	4 10:00 Ladies Day Out 1:00 Prayer Shawl 2:00 WMT Meeting	5
6 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Services 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship	7 2:00 Staff Meeting	8 5:30 Seekers Class	9 5:00 Youth/All Stars 5:00 Finance Committee 5:30 VBS Crew Training 6:00 Prayer Service 6:55 Choir Rehearsal	10 5:00 Agape Class	11 1:00 Prayer Shawl	12
13 MOTHER'S DAY 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service/ Sr. Recognition 5:00 Church Council 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship	14 2:00 Staff Meeting	15 5:30 Hope Class	16 5:00 Youth/All Stars Awards Program 5:00 Potluck 6:00 Business Meeting 6:55 Choir Rehearsal	17 1:00 Covenant Class	18 10-12 Gideon's Aux. Luncheon 1:00 Prayer Shawl	19 2:00 Jessieville Grad.
20 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Services 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship	21 2:00 Staff Meeting	22	23 6:00 Prayer Service 6:55 Choir Rehearsal	24	25 1:00 Prayer Shawl	26
27 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service LORD'S SUPPER/ Memorial Recognition 5:15 Youth 6:00 Evening Worship	28 MEMORIAL DAY Offices Closed 3:00 Sr. Singles to H. S. Band Concert	29	30	31		

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## Schedule of Services:

### Sunday Services:

Sunday School - 9:30 AM

Sanctuary Worship Service - 10:30 AM

Celebration Worship Service - 10:30 AM

Youth - 5:15 PM

Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

### Wednesday Evening:

All Stars/Youth - 5:00 PM

Prayer Service - 6:00 PM

Choir Rehearsal - 6:55 PM

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Friday 8:30 am—3:00 pm