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Bible Study. . . . .	.46
Worship A.M. . . . .	.58
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Wednesday. . . . .	.35
Contribution. . . . .	\$1084
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**Sermons**

A.M. Lessons from Jonah (Part 5)  
P.M. We Preach Christ

**Mark Your Calendar**

April 29 Singing @ Thompsons'  
May 1 M. E. P. Team #1  
May 2 Ladies' Bible Study  
May 14 Scott Wilson & Emily Mor-  
row wedding @ Villa Rica  
May 15 Teachers' Meeting  
May 21 Graduate Cookout  
June 12-16 Vacation Bible School  
July 16 Ladies' Day  
July 17 - 21 Gospel Meeting

**May Assignments**

Announcements. . . . . David Glosson  
Communion. . . . . Kiley Fordham  
Wed. Singing. . . Wes and Zach Benefield

**Plan of Salvation**

**Hear** - (Rom. 10:14) "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

**Believe** - (John 8:24) "I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins."

**Repent** - (Luke 13:3) "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

**Confess** - (Rom. 10:9) "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

**Be Baptized** - (Acts 2:38) "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

**Be Faithful** - (Rev. 2:10) "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."



**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**SUNDAY**  
Bible Study 10:00  
Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

**WEDNESDAY**  
Bible Study 7:00 pm

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# The Gospel Light

*"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79*  
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**"But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry. And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD, *was* not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou *art* a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil."**

**Jonah 4:1,2**

## Change

The Merriam Webster dictionary gives this definition for change “to make different in some particular: alter, to make radically different, to replace.”

Change is not new. The process of change has been around since the beginning of man. The devil “altered” God’s command to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. “But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die” (Gen. 3:3, 4). Change was the order of the day when the Israelites rejected God’s way of ruling the people with judges and asked for a king to be like the nations around them.

Often change is made just to be different. Change for the sake of change. Not better but different. Sometimes churches are guilty of changing preachers just for the sake of change. I heard of a congregation who fired their preacher and in the process of replacing him they began to describe the new man and it was exactly like the one they fired. To some church member, preachers should be replaced every two years.

Change sometimes occurs due to age. “Out with the old and in with the new.” Popular thought is that when a person gets old he is no longer effective. Caleb did not agree with this idea. “As yet I *am as* strong this day as *I was* in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength *was* then, even so *is* my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in. Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims *were* there, and *that* the cities *were* great *and* fenced: if so be the LORD *will be* with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said” (Joshua 14:11, 12). Moses was eighty years old when he brought the children of Israel out of Egyptian bondage. Noah was about 500 years old when he built the ark. Many of us “older” folks do some of our best work after we have matured. We trade cars because they get old; we buy new furniture because it gets old. What about technology? Yesterday’s computers are outdated. Technology is changing; as soon as you bring home a new electronic device it is outdated. Just because there is a newer version doesn’t mean the older one is no longer useful.

Some people think that the Bible is outdated and no longer of value. After all, the last book of the New Testament was penned near the close of the first century. The cry is for a modern, up-to-date Bible. The word of God, like God himself, is unchanging. The scriptures are still a sufficient guide to take us to heaven. The Bible does not need to change. Man needs to change to be compatible with the Bible.

Bill Dedmon- 4/24/11



Welcome to our visitors. You are our special guests. We trust the worship service today will be uplifting and in harmony with God’s word.

### Wednesday Night, April 27

Singing - Gerald Scales

Devotional - Bill Dedmon

Announcements - Bill Dedmon



M.E.P. Group #1 will meet Sunday, May 1, following the morning worship service. Please see Jerome or Kelly Thompson for more information.



On Saturday, May 21, we will honor our high school and college graduates with a cookout at the church building. If you are graduating this year, please give Bill a picture and information about your school and future plans.



The latest edition of the Spiritual Sword Quarterly is on the table in the foyer. The theme of this issue is, “Preach It, Brother”. Please pick up a copy.



Ladies’ Bible Class will meet Monday, May 2, at 7:00 pm in the library. The study is lesson five in Alan Webster’s Book **Seven Things a Loving God Hates**.



Don’t forget the teachers’ meeting on Sunday afternoon, May 15, at 5:00 in the fellowship room. See Bud if you cannot attend



**Anna & Emilie Harris; Adrianna Childers; Bill Parson,** Kathy Skinner’s dad; **Lorene Cooke,** Kathy Skinner’s aunt; **Pam Bryant; Jesse Bracknell** will undergo surgery soon; **Jimmie Lou and Michele Bonner,** Gary Anderson’s sister and niece; **Bill and Billie Nolen; Melinda Fendley; Sharon Higgins,** cousin of Irvin Smith.

### Continue to remember in prayer:

**Cassidy Estes; Kathy Skinner; Cindy Carnes; Wayne and Sandra Harlin; Aiden and Molly Astin; Ida Mae Holloway; Brenda Green; Hope Hickman; Terry Benefield; Lowell Benefield; Joe McCollough; Susie Newman; Tommy Young; Mary Green; Melinda Harlin; Jason Fordham; Linda Barnett; Bobbie Brown; Douglas Glosson; Angela Edwards; Robert and Marthanell Ballard; Diane Copeland Chandler.**

### Serving in our military:

**Jason Benefield, Toby Hill, Timothy Hand, Keith Freeman.**



Gospel meeting at Bremen church of Christ, April 24 - 28. Chris Clevenger, Ironaton, AL, will be doing the preaching. Service times Monday - Thursday will be at 7:00 P.M.



Friday night singing at the home of Jerome and Kelly Thompson on April 29. Bring finger foods and enjoy a night of singing hymns and wonderful fellowship with our brothers and sisters in the Lord. We will begin at 7:00 E.T.