

Those To Serve

Sunday, August 24, 2025

A.M. Prayers

Opening: Robert Foster

Closing: Johnny Knabe

P.M. Prayers

Opening: Jim Case

Closing: Jim Bangs

Singing: Randy Harris

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

Singing: Bill Cline

Devotional: Randy Harris

The Record:

Attendance:

Sunday, August 17, 2025

AM 45 PM 30

[Average for the Year]

AM [47] PM [31]

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

31 *[Average for the Year]* [33]

Contribution:

Sunday, August 17, 2025

Actual \$ 3,190.00; Budget \$ 2,500.00

[Year-to-Date] \$ 78,528.00

[Average] \$ 2,379.64

[+/- Budget] \$ 690.00

[YTD +/- Budget] \$ (3,972.00)

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Thoughts from Bill:

The Warfare of the Saints (2)

Hebrews 2:9-18

Last week, we began a study about the warfare of the saints where we established that all humanity, especially Christians, are to be involved in a warfare against Satan. This battle is a battle for our very souls, and Satan wants to win. We also discussed the necessity both to understand and know the enemy in this conflict. Today, we continue our study on the warfare of the saints, namely, how this battle should be carried on by Christian soldiers.

The battle against Satan should be carried on with *Christ as the captain or pioneer (NET) of our salvation* (Heb. 2:10). The word captain in Hebrews 2:10 conveys the idea of founder or originator in the Greek language. Truly, Christ is the founder of our salvation: He "tasted death for everyone" (v. 9). He also sanctified us and destroyed our enemy Satan whose most

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Plan of Salvation

Hear

Mark 12:29; Romans 10:17; Acts 2:22

Believe

Hebrews 11:6

Repent

Luke 13:3, 5; Acts 2:38

Confession

Matthew 10:32, 33

Baptism

Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21

Sermons for August 24, 2025

A.M.—The Warfare of the Saints (2)

P.M.—How to Have a Battle-Ready Faith

Scripture: Hebrews 2:9-18

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 AM

Sunday AM Worship: 10:00

Sunday PM Worship: 5:00

Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 PM

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powerful weapon is death itself (v. 14). Christ is the captain of our salvation because He suffered for us (v. 10), He endured for us (Heb. 12:2), and He redeemed us by His own blood (1 Pet. 1:18). Christians should be willing to follow Christ their captain wherever He leads.

Second, the warfare of the saints should be carried out *with an earnest and steadfast faith* (Jude 3; 1 Tim. 1:18,19; 1 Pet. 5:9; Heb. 10:23). Christians need to realize the battle against Satan sometimes will be intense. Christians need to believe they can overcome and win their personal battles against the evil one.

The warfare against Satan should be carried out with *watchfulness, vigilance, and seriousness or sobriety* (1 Cor. 16:13; 1 Thess. 5:6; 1 Pet. 5:8; Rev. 3:3). The word *watch* means to be on alert and be awake. Falling asleep while on duty is a serious offence in any army because it could result in a surprise attack by the enemy resulting in death and defeat. The same is true in the Christian's battle against Satan. Being vigilant conveys the exact same meaning as being watchful. Christians should be serious or, as Peter says, be sober in their warfare against Satan.

The Christian's warfare should be carried out with *self-denial*. When one enlists in the armed forces, they immediately begin a journey of self-denial. So to speak, they are not their own person any longer. Paul compared the Christian life to a race where Christians strive after an imperishable crown (1 Cor. 9:24-27). As any good runner will tell you, if you are going to try to win a race, you must deny yourself of certain things. You must discipline yourself as Paul indicates in verse 27. A Christian must be willing to deny all to be a good soldier of Jesus Christ (Lk. 9:23-24). A soldier will endure hardships and must be willing to deny themselves of easier times (2 Tim. 2:3,10). They cannot become entangled with "the affairs of life" (2 Tim. 2:4).

Finally, the warfare of the saints should be carried out with *great confidence in and prayer to God* (Psalms 27:1-3; Lk. 18:1; Eph 6:18). God wants us to ask in faith on the battlefields of life.

News and Notes

Those We Need to Remember in Prayer: **Glenda Mitchell** was in WRH last week. She was supposed to be able to go home on Friday afternoon. **Jerry Bowen** has been experiencing some health issues but is doing better. **Nancy Duncan** is struggling with her health. **Manda McGough** is recovering from knee surgery. **Bobby Smithee** is improving after his heart ablation.

Others We Need to Remember in Prayer: Robert Barber, Clayton Cavaness (cancer), Kenny Fitzhugh (Frances Foster's brother), Shirley Harris, Dwayne Millikin, Eunice Mize, Julia Philips, Lavon Rogers, Jennifer Sexton (cancer), Shelia Smithee, and David White
Ladies' Day Meeting: There will be a Ladies' Day meeting today after the evening service. The ladies will use this time to put the door prizes in gift bags.

Ladies' Day: The Ladies' Day here at Southside will be on September 13. There are invitations on the table in the back. Please take some to share with others.

Food Sign-Up Sheets: There are sign-up sheets in the foyer for those who would like to bring food for Ladies' Day.

Ladies' Day Gift Basket: We are putting together a gift basket for the Ladies' Day speaker. Ladies, please bring something to put in the basket to show our appreciation for her. You can put your items in the classroom next to the kitchen. There is a container in the classroom in which to put your items.

Children's Home Shopping List: HE Laundry Detergent

Fifth Sunday Potluck: We will have a fifth Sunday potluck next Sunday after the morning service.

Romanian Children: If you are helping with the support of the children of Romania, please give your donation to Tammy Harris.

Hebrews 2:9—But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.