

Those To Serve

Sunday, May 10, 2026

A.M. Prayers

Opening: Randy Harris

Closing: Dwayne Millikin

P.M. Prayers

Opening: Ray England

Closing: Bobby Smithee

Singing: Johnny Knabe

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Singing: Randy Harris

Devotional: Johnny Knabe

The Record:

Attendance:

Sunday, May 3, 2026

AM 72 PM 52

[Average for the Year]

AM [52] PM [34]

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

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

Contribution:

Sunday, May 3, 2026

Actual \$ 2,409.00; Budget \$ 2,500.00

[Year-to-Date] \$ 43,141.00

[Average] \$ 2,537.71

[+/- Budget] (91.00)

[YTD +/- Budget] \$ 641.00

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Thoughts from Bill:

A Study of the Heart

A Godly Mother's Heart

Proverbs 31:10-28

Today we continue with our study of the spiritual heart or mind of man. However, since it is Mother's Day, I want us to consider a special lesson on a godly mother's heart.

Mothers with a godly heart will *desire their children*. During Biblical times, infertility sometimes was viewed as a lack of God's favor or a reproach (Gen. 30:23). This might have been the case in the lives of Rachel and Hannah. Rachel was Jacob's most beloved wife, and because of that, God opened Leah's womb because she was "unloved" (Gen. 29:31-30:2). Jacob as seen in the previous text was angry at Rachel because he thought God had prevented her from bearing children. Rachel desired children. God in Genesis 30:22 remembered her, and she bore Joseph. Hannah was also barren and desired children. She was

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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 May 10, 2026

A.M.—A Study of the Heart—

A Godly Mother's Heart

P.M.—Explaining God's G-r-a-c-e

Scripture—Proverbs 31:10-28

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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tormented by Elkanah's other wife, Peninnah (1 Sam. 1:6-7). God finally opened Hannah's womb, and her desire for children was fulfilled when Samuel was born. Hannah desired children and would make a great sacrifice when she would eventually leave Samuel with Eli, which would result in him becoming a great prophet of God. Unfortunately, many pregnant women in this country do not desire for their babies to be born because in 2025 according to estimates there were over one million abortions preformed in this country. Even though unexpected or unplanned pregnancies occur, women with a godly heart will desire for their children to be born.

Mothers with a godly heart will ***risk their own safety for their children***. Jochebed, the mother of Moses (Ex. 6:20; Num. 26:59), risked her own life by choosing to take a basket covered with tar, place her three-month-old child inside, and place the basket in the Nile (Ex. 2:1-3). Jochebed could have been discovered, but that did not matter to her. Providence led Jochebed to nurse Moses, and when it was time, she sent him back to Pharaoh's daughter. Godly women will put the safety of their children first, even though the risk might be great.

Mothers with a godly heart will ***take care of their children***. Our scripture for this lesson speaks not only of the virtuous wife but also of the virtuous mother. She sees to it that they are clothed (vs. 13, 19) and fed (v.15) and instructs her children with wisdom and kindness (v. 26) as she watches over the ways of her household (v. 27). Most importantly, this godly mother takes care of her children by letting them see that she fears the Lord (v. 30).

Finally, mothers with a godly heart will ***teach and lead their children in the ways of the Lord***. Mary, the mother of our Lord, yielded to God's plan for her (Lk. 1:38). Nothing is recorded of her guidance in our Lord's early life, but God knew what He was doing when He chose her above all the women of the world to bear His Son. Eunice, the mother of Timothy, taught and led him not only by word but by example (2 Tim. 1:5). What do you think Timothy remembered when he followed Paul's command to remember the genuine faith of his mother and grandmother?

We desperately need mothers with Godly hearts. Mothers, is your heart right with God?

News and Notes

Those We Need to Remember in Prayer: **David Elms** had knee surgery on Thursday. The surgery went well. **Lavon Rogers** is waiting for results from her heart test. **Ray England** has an appointment with a specialist in Jonesboro on May 18. **Pam Burrow**, Charles Allen's wife, had bleeding on the brain and was airlifted to CHI St. Vincent's Neuro Hospital in Sherwood last Sunday. She is still in critical condition. **Jackie Thompson**, Shelia Millikin's sister, fell and fractured a vertebrae in her back. **Nancy Duncan** is having additional problems with her health. She will have colon surgery this week.

Others We Need to Remember in Prayer: Bonita Bangs, Lea Barber, Brantley Elms, Bobby Joe England, Irish (mother-in-law of Doug Yates), Pat McGough, Glenda Mitchell, Eunice Mize, Lavon Rogers, and Janice Rose (Bobby Joe England's daughter)

Invitation Response: Trina Morris responded to the invitation last Sunday morning asking for prayers to help her be more Christian-like and for her to be a help with her kids and grandkids going to church services. Let us pray for and be an encouragement to Trina.

Elders and Deacons Meeting: There will be an elders and deacons meeting today at 3:30 p.m. If there is anything you need to discuss with them, please let them know.

Visitation Meeting: This month's visitation meeting will be today after the evening service.

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

Area Ladies' Day: The Strawberry congregation will be hosting a Ladies' Day on May 16 with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. See the bulletin board for more details.

Nursing Home Service: This month's service at Mountain Meadows will be next Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

Food Truck: The Children's Home food truck will come on Monday, May 18. If you have any items for the Children's Home, please have them here by next Sunday.

Children's Home Shopping List: Saltine Crackers

Work Day: There will be a work day on Saturday, May 23 beginning at 8:00 a.m.