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## The Presence of God

How comfortable are you with God's continual presence? Throughout the Bible, God's presence is supposed to be a comforting thought. David spoke to God saying, **"I will fear no evil, for you are with me"** (Psalm 23:4). Jesus comforted his apostles by saying **"I am with you always, to the end of the age"** (Matthew 28:20). Unfortunately, some don't find comfort in the presence of God. Rather, some despise His presence.

Typically, those who are comforted by the presence of God, understand that He loves them and wants to strengthen them. They are not trying to get away with poor behavior. Rather, they recognize their reliance upon God and bask in his presence.

Conversely, those who despise His presence either don't know His love for them or they are trying to get away with poor behavior. Thus, our feelings about the continual presence of God tells us a lot about ourselves. If you are comforted by God's presence, good. If you are fearful of it, then consider why that might be. You might need to change, either your understanding of God, or your behavior towards Him.

- Garrett Bookout

**AM – "Treasure" (Matthew 6:19-24)**

**Kids Corner 4:45pm Room 105**

**PM - Question & Answer**

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:1-8

### Read the Bible in 2 Years in Chronological Cross-Reference Order:

**Sunday** - Judges 5:1-31; **Monday** - Judges 6:1-40;

**Tuesday** - Judges 7:1-25; **Wednesday** - Judges 8:1-35;

**Thursday** - Judges 9:1-21; **Friday** - Judges 9:22-57;

**Saturday** - Judges 10:1-18

# PRAYER LIST and ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRAYER LIST

**Gail Krech** had very successful surgery last Monday and was able to go home on Wednesday.

**Donnaveene Holt** spent sometime in the hospital last week and is now at home.

**Ruby Jones** also spent sometime in the hospital last week and is now at home recovering.

**Wayne Eldridge** was able to go home last Monday and he is facing a long recovery.

**Continue to Remember:** Mary Lee Caldwell, Barbara Dees, Jim Duty, Wayne Elkins, Lester Elliott, Laramie Freshour, Brandon Haun, Kathy Hinson, Frieda Holloway, Beverly Jenkins, Barbara Jones, Richard King, Gail Krech, Beth & Jimmy Lincoln, Janice Martin, Ron & Janice Maynard, Tonja McRady, Amelia Kate Moore, William Morrison, Kendall Redmond, Bobby Richardson, Bryant Rimmer, Clinton Robnolte, John & Melba Sims, Jimmy Smithson, Mike Vice, Sharon Welborn, Bobbie Wilhoite, Mike Wilson, Holly Winkler, Shannon Woodroof.

**Our Shut-ins:** Jane Brown, Robert Holt, Peggy Loggins, Doug Smithson

## SYMPATHY

We continue to extend our sympathy to Lesa Kupchik and The Lovett Family on the passing of Lesa's mother & Nikki's grandmother, **Eleanor Hargis**. Visitation and services will be tomorrow at Williamson Memorial Funeral Home. Visitation will begin at 11am and will go until the service starts at 1pm.

## WELCOME TO SOUTHERN HILLS

Betty Crouch  
1008 Misty Morn Circle  
Spring Hill, TN 37174

### **NURSERY TODAY SUNDAY October 15, 2023**

AM: Mandy Chitwood & Dara Macer

PM: Emma Bookout & Beverly Smithson

### **NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY October 22, 2023**

AM: Erin Davenport & Janie Reames

PM: Linda Cottrell & Julie McDaniel

### **MORNING POINTE SUNDAY - November 5, 2023**

Atkins Family & Street Family

## THOSE TO SERVE

### **TODAY — SUNDAY, October 15, 2023**

**USHERS:** Joe Burns, Trey Burns,  
Steve Ellis, Nathan McRady  
**Song Leader:** Jimmy Davis  
**Reader:** David Pence  
**Scripture:** John 17:1-12  
**Opening Prayer:** Calvin Davis  
**Preside at Lord's Table:** Daniel Winkler  
**Serve the Lord's Supper:** Shaun Calix,  
Jon Ferrie, Chris Graham, Phillip McCullough  
**Closing Prayer:** Jared Collier

### **TODAY'S 5PM SERVICE**

**Song Leader:** Jimmy Davis  
**Reader:** Frank Welborn  
**Opening Prayer:** David Broome  
**P.M. Preside/Lord's Supper:** Caleb Chitwood  
**Closing Prayer:** Kyle Richardson

### **THIS WEDNESDAY October 18, 2023**

**Devotional Speaker:** Garrett Bookout  
**Song Leader:** Caleb Chitwood  
**Opening Prayer:** Jon Ferrie  
**Closing Prayer:** Clint Oppermann

**Sound for 10/15 Week:** Connor Pratt  
**Projector for October:** Blake McDaniel

## THE RECORD

Last Sunday - (10/8/2023)  
Morning Worship 215  
Sunday School 166  
Evening Worship 110  
Wednesday Night (10/11/2023) 136  
Contribution Last Sunday: \$ 18,648.84  
Contribution YTD: \$637,619.45  
Contribution Goal YTD: \$553,500.00

### **COLLECT COMMUNION CUPS - October**

William Morrison

### **BUILDING LOCK-UP - October**

Joe Burns & Randy Wooten

### **MONTHLY ELDER CHAIRMAN - October**

Lee Glasscock

### **Online Giving Instructions**

#### **Give online:**

<https://www.southernhills.net/OnlineGiving>

#### **By App:**

Search for "Church by MinistryOne" on the app store

**By Text:** Text "Give" to (615) 265-6550



# ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING EVENTS

Please contact the Church office to schedule an event

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Share Group

November 3, 2023 - Liberty Park Grill

December 16, 2023 - Holiday Brunch

### Shrimp Group

December 16, 2023 – Adult Holiday Party

### Ladies Events

October 24, 2023 - Dig Deep Devo

December 4, 2023 – Ladies' Holiday Gala

### Mens Events

November 11, 2023 - Frisby Golf

### Church Wide

October 22, 2023 - Trunk-Or-Treat

October 28, 2023 – Fall Festival at The Miller's

October 29, 2023 - All in One Sunday

November 26, 2023 - Youth Group Babysitting

**SAVE THE DATE: Nov 5-7th**  
**House to House Heart to Heart**  
**Training the Saved to Teach the Lost**

### Trunk or Treat

Our annual Trunk or Treat will be in the parking lot next Sunday afternoon. We will begin around 3:30pm – arrive early to claim your spot and decorate your trunk. Dinner will be provided and will be hot dogs and chips. We will have our trunk decorating contest, prizes for costumes in each age group, and our annual costume parade. Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us for a great evening and stay for our evening worship.

### Fall Festival

Our annual Fall Festival will be on October 28th at the family farm of Andy and Jennifer Miller and Tony and Diane White (Rabbit Shack) located just off I-65 at exit 46. We want to invite the entire congregation to join us for a fun evening of food and fellowship. Games, activities, and pictures will begin at 4:30pm. Dinner will be served at 5:00pm. Dinner and drinks are provided. Catering by Sisters II and Jennifer Miller. Menu will include gluten free options. We will be having a dessert contest (with prizes) for those who would like to participate. Bring your best-tasting dessert or your most creative dessert – there will be prizes in each category. We will have a hayride, singing devotional, scarecrow contest, and many other activities. We hope everyone will join us for a fun-filled evening for the entire church family.

## MISSIONS MEMO.....



### Velaphi Mlangeni

#### Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

We have been very busy visiting the rural bush congregations preaching the Gospel, conducting leadership and preacher training, and taking many bags of mealie meal to help **feed the poor**.

**Food Distribution** – 100 families each month are receiving food assistance with the current resources we have. We distributed food to families with very old people, those taking care of Aids orphans and widows. They were all very happy indeed and never expected such great help. We say to the Elders and our loving brothers and sisters at Southern Hills – “**Ngnyabonga**”. They prayed that you may not grow weary in helping the needy with food. **May the Lord bless you all at Southern Hills!!**

**Baptisms** – Recently we went to Amazon primary school. I presented Bible lessons to almost 90 students and one student Bongiwe Sibanda obeyed the Gospel and was baptized into Christ! She will be a great influence on others. Three more souls, Easter Dhlamini (34), Richard Ngwenya (61) and grandmother Bekezela Mpofu (83) were baptized at Madlulani. Please pray for the spiritual growth of these four souls. **We praise the Lord!!**

**Drip Irrigation** - Our drip irrigation farmers continue to work very hard in their gardens, producing food to help feed their families with fresh vegetables and get a little income.

**Boreholes** – We continue to have a need to drill additional boreholes in the bush villages.

**Conclusion** - Brothers and Sisters, we thank you wholeheartedly for the great sacrifice you are making to support the Lord's work in **Zimbabwe**. You are doing this not for us only but **for our Lord** and the growth of His Kingdom in Africa. May God bless you all!

### LADIES EVENTS

All of our ladies are asked to bring a friend and join us for our annual Ladies' Gift Gala. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, please bring 3 gifts (one per round). Gifts should be in clear cellophane or unwrapped. The gift exchange is optional, your presence is required to make it a great night. We will have babysitting onsite for anyone who needs childcare. Dinner and entertainment are provided. We will end the night with a period of devotional. More details to come soon.



### **Fall Retreat**

Fall Retreat will be **October 20-22**. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up are invited to join us for our annual fall retreat at the beautiful Camp Hickory Hills in Dickson, TN. We will be joining Millview Church of Christ for an in-depth weekend of Bible Study.

Our theme is "Focused" and we will be specifically looking at periods in the life of Christ. The cost is \$60 for the weekend. Sign up online at [www.southernhill.net](http://www.southernhill.net). If you have questions - please see Andy Miller.

**Oct 29, 2023- Diva Devo** – our young ladies 6th and up are invited to stay after the morning worship and class for a Diva devo with lunch and rock climbing. We will return in time for worship Sunday evening.

**Oct 29, 2023 – Dude devo** – Our young men 6th and up are invited to stay for a devo and activity after the morning worship and class



### **Youth & KFC Calendar**

**October 20-22, 2023** - Youth Fall Retreat

**October 22, 2023** - Trunk or Treat

**October 29, 2023** - Youth Dude & Diva Devo

**November 3, 2023** - KFC Devo at Kessler Streets

**November 26, 2023** - Youth Babysitting Holiday Lights for 9th Grade & Up

**December 1, 2023** - KFC Holiday Party



### **Lambs & Young Families**

On Saturday November 18th at 5:30pm, we will have a Young Families/Lambs of Light Friendsgiving – Our Lambs of Light and their entire families are invited to join us for a very special evening. Please mark your calendar for this event and more details will be available soon.

## TIMES SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - 9 AM  
BIBLE CLASS - 10 AM

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP - 5PM

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE CLASS - 5 PM  
WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE - 7PM

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