



The Brighton Light

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MARCH 2014: 'Who are you?' "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you can continue to believe in the name of the Son of God." (1 John 5:13) "For this reason I suffer these things, nevertheless, I know whom I believe and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day." (2 Tim. 1:12)

Who are you? Who am I? I am the third of four children. I went to all church activities with my family, loved spending most of free time in the woods catching snakes, building dams on the creek and building forts. I did not like to study but did so in order to play football. All of these things, though they were important, did not really define who I was. It wasn't until the age of 19 when the Lord Jesus drew me to Himself and became a Christian. That is when my life truly began to take shape. There are a lot of things which could describe who we are. They could be as general as a person at a job interview describing strengths and weaknesses, but never telling who I really am. It reminds me when Jesus asked His disciples who He was. "Who do men say that, I the son of Man am? Some say You are Isaiah or Jeremiah, or one of the other prophets. Jesus asked pointedly, "But who do say that I am." (Matthew 16:13b-15)

Many times throughout church history, the people lose sight of who they are. There are many factors, however if you look at how folks in the church have lived and what they believed, it will become clear that there are perhaps three that all others spring from.

Many in the organized church do not have a proper view of the Lord Jesus. Many have lost sight of who He is, what He has done for all who are His. He is treated like a lifeless idol, powerless to do anything. However, Jesus is God. Jesus is the Head of the Church. He is Savior, Lord, Prophet, Priest and King for all eternity. Our Lord desires to be in a personal relationship and fellowship with those who are His.

Prayer is another one of the vital elements for growth in a Christian's life. What type of prayer you may ask? I'm not talking about prayers that are not connected with faith. A faithless prayer is like one that Jesus mentioned that is prayed to impress those around and not directed to the Lord God. Prayer is the wonderful avenue our God has given to be personally connected with His children. What makes prayer powerful is the fact that our God is not some dead idol, but is alive and answers His people's prayers. Be careful though not to treat prayer as a pry bar telling God how and what to do, and always making deals.

The other important element is the Bible. In so many homes the Bible is nothing more than a dust and cobweb collector. The Bible shows us how God has and will always act. These are His inspired words for us and will stand forever. Everything will fade away, but His word will stand forever. There are times when the word is but a distant memory much like in Israel's history. After many years of the word being absent it was rediscovered. As Ezra began to read the word the people stood and wept. Read Psalm 119 and you will see how important making the word a vital part of your life.

As we rediscover the power of the sword of the Spirit it will transform our lives, pray for guidance, and lift up the name of Jesus, we, the Apostle Paul can say; "I know whom I believe and am persuaded, that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day." (2 Timothy 1:12) What assurance we have as sons and daughters of the Most High. We are kept for the now and for eternity. Do we need another reason to share this good news with those who do not know? Be faithful to the call our Lord has placed on each of us for the advancement of His Kingdom.

In His love, Meredith.

SERMON SCRIPTURE SELECTIONS FOR THE MONTH:

March 2	I John 3:16-24 "Results of God's Love In Our Lives"
March 9	I John 5:1-13 "The Certainty of God's Witness"
March 16	Colossians 2:1-10 "What Could Bring About Such Results"
March 23	2 Timothy 1:8-12 "Lasting Results of the Gospel"
March 30	Revival



SICK AND SHUT INS:

Bennett, Mary Frances	Locke, Mike
Boswell, Mike	London, Peggy
Bridges, Lucille	Lupinsky, Logan
Cavin, Meredith	McCain, Lisa
Culver, Anthony	McCain, Pat
Culver, Michael	Moncla, Luke
Curtis, Cooper	Moore, Martha Lou
Goulder, Bobbie	Moss, Charlie
Goulder, Gordon	Owen, Jerry
Goulder, Helen	Otis, Mike
Goulder, Keith	Patrick, Carolyn
Griffin, Melanie	Pugh, Kaleb
Hill, Dana	Rhodes, Geraldine
Hill, Joy	Kiphart, Laura
Hubbard, Kristi	Smith, Mary Frances
Huffman, Linda	Stitt, Sam
Legler, Don	Tyler, Jean
Lewis, Adam	Wells, Whit
Lineberger, Rachael	Winford, Sherry
Locke, Ann	Yarbro, Pam

If you know of anyone who needs to be added or removed please let us know!

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

March

March 2	Amanda Heath
March 9	Rhonda Goulder
March 16	Margarette Alsbrook
March 23	Molly Huffman
March 30	Joanna Simonton



FLOWERS FOR THE MONTH

Harriett Linderman

Mar. 2	Margarette Alsbrook In Honor of Sunday School Class #11
Mar. 9	Molly Anne Heath In Honor of Molly Huffman




Wedding Anniversaries

<i>March 15</i>	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Brad Templeton</i>
<i>March 17</i>	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Hill</i>
<i>March 28</i>	<i>Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Yarbro</i>



CHILDRENS SERMON – March

March – Nick Goulder

March Menu



Mar 5 Mexican Night
Mar 12 Spaghetti /
Chicken Spaghetti
Mar 19 Sloppy Joes
Mar 26 Family Night

Cost: \$3.00 person
\$10.00 Family

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 Helen Woods	16 Ben Cavin
3 William Clayton Pannell	Sherri Bailey
5 William Pannell	17 Whitney Smith
6 Clay Yarbrow	18 Kay Hernandez
Leyna Cannon	19 Joanna Simonton
9 William Carter	20 Keith Trotter
10 Andrea Trotter	21 McCallie Ruffin
Joni Glass	22 Bobbie Goulder
11 Cathy Morgan	23 Jimmy Trotter
Floyd Columbus	25 Peggy Huffman
Margarette Huffman	27 Pam Yarbrow
14 Wanda Starnes	Zac Scott

Upcoming Events

PLEASE NOTE: If you have any ideas or suggestions for the church website, please contact Chris Gravley, webmaster, at 901-674-3851 or e-mail at chris_gravley@bellsouth.net.

THE DEACON OF THE MONTH is Nick Goulder. If you have any requests for the deacons, please contact Nick at 901-837-3532.

CONGRATULATIONS to our upcoming Seniors for making top 10 in their 2014 Class. Ms. Emily Kirk who attends Brighton High School is #9 in her class with a GPA 3.9811. She is the daughter of George and Teresa Edwards and Robert "Robby" Roach one of our Wednesday Night/Sunday Night Youth group members who attends Munford High School is #1 in his class with a GPA 4.0. He is the son of Jerry and Cindy Roach. Congratulations on your awesome achievements.

Our 2014 Graduates are:

Blain Curtis – Tipton Rosemark Academy
John Hugues – Munford High School
Emily Kirk – Brighton High School
Robert Roach – Munford High School

If I have missed someone please let me know.

STORY TIME: We are venturing into a new area of ministry for our church by starting a Story time featuring our new puppets and a time for crafts. It will be held on the second Saturday of each month. The first one will be on Saturday March 15th at 10:00 a.m. in the old basement. Please come and bring your nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and children ages 2 and up.

If you would be interested in assisting with this new adventure please see Denise Moore.

REVIVAL TIME: Revival will start Sunday March 30 with morning worship and continue through Wednesday April 2. Evening services will start at 7 p.m. Kent Moorlach from the Richland ARP Church will be the guest speaker.