

THE CENTER POINT

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THOMAS' TIDINGS

THANK YOU... CHURCH FAMILY

It was indeed a great blessing when Scott Light, Chairman of the Deacons, recognized me and presented a gracious gift from the church family for my forty-five years of ministry at Circlewood.

My, how times swiftly passes! The Lord has greatly blessed me and my family by allowing us to serve with you at "exciting" Circlewood. You all mean so much to us and I thank God for you every day. Your prayers and encouragement greatly encourage us. To God Be All The Glory!

LADIES CHOIR!

Wow! What a blessing to see the choir filled with ladies singing praises to the Lord. Thank you, David, for getting these singers together. If you put the Men's Choir and the Ladies Choir together, there would be around 100 voices singing praises! We are so blessed at Circlewood for all the singers we have. Now, some of you that sang Sunday may want to join the Celebration Choir!

UPWARD SOCCER

The 2024 edition of Upward Soccer is underway! The first day of games was super and one young boy accepted Jesus Christ. The Faith Finders had a witness team there and God used the men to share Jesus. We rejoice that over 160 children are included in Upward Soccer. Thanks to Steven and all workers who serve in this ministry.

Beloved, I hope to see you this Lord's day for a beautiful day of worship. We plan to have baptism in the service. Pray for others to come to Jesus. Blessings.

To God Be All The Glory,
Bro. Herb



CAIN'S CORNER

Graduate Recognition: Because our College graduates will be leaving Tuscaloosa after graduation ceremonies, we will have a brief

recognition of them in the service on Sunday, April 28 (10:30 AM). We will certainly miss these outstanding spiritual leaders!

Bible Study Invitation: All College & Young Adults are invited to join us each Wednesday at 6:00 PM for our weekly Bible Study! Currently, we are in a series called "A Walk Through the Psalms". This week (April 17) our focus is on Psalm 23 (The Heart of a Shepherd). *Don't miss it!*

Blessings, Rob

FROM DONNA'S DESK



"I have treasured Your Word in my heart that I may not sin against You." Psalm 119:11

What do you treasure? To treasure something means it is very important to you. You can treasure a gift like a blanket your grandmother made for you. You can treasure a trip you took with your family where you made special memories. In today's verse, from the book of Psalms, we are taught to treasure the Word of God. The Bible is God's Word and filled with verses to strengthen and encourage us to live a Godly life. Studying God's Word helps you develop your spiritual muscles! That's right! You grow spiritually just like you grow physically. Taking time each day to read your Bible is one of the best choices you can make. Thank God for helping you grow in many ways to become the person He created you to be.

Joyfully, Donna

Looking Ahead:

April 28 -- Deadline to order Cloud 9 Sheets

Summer Camp Fundraiser

This year we have pillows and blankets!

May 12 -- Parent/Child Dedication Service

May 15 -- Children's Chorus and

Petite Praisers Concerts



NELSON'S NEWS

Obedience. Dictionary.com defines obedience as "compliance with an order, request, or law or submission to another's authority". It's not always easy for us to be obedient to God's will. In fact, we often try to bend God's will to line up with our wants and desires. The problem with this is that God is the Master and we are the servants. The servant does not tell the master how to run his household. Rather, the master hands down orders and the servant's job is to comply. Henry Blackaby writes, "God does not need you to dream great dreams for your life, your family, your business, or your church. He simply asks for obedience. He has plans that would dwarf yours in comparison (Experiencing God Day by Day)." When we are obedient to God and submit to His authority, He does things that we couldn't even imagine. This week, join me in listening and looking for God's will and then submitting to it in obedience when He reveals it to us.

In Christ, Steven

RECORD—SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

Budget Offering.....	\$12,935.00
Building Fund.....	\$25.00
Operation Christmas Child.....	\$150.00
Faith Riders.....	\$140.00
GA Walkathon for World Hunger.....	\$411.20

Dr. Herbert Thomas, Pastor

Rob Cain, Associate Pastor
Steven Nelson, Student Minister
Donna Cicero, Children's Minister
David Williams, Interim Music

SYMPATHY

Christian love and sympathy is shared with Margaret Rains and family in the death of her husband, Charles Rains.

IN MEMORY OF

A gift for OCC was received in memory of Charles Rains from Greg and Sally Murphy.

A gift for OCC was received in memory of Esther Windham from Wayne and Martha Weakley.

IN HONOR OF

A gift for the Building Fund was received in honor of Joanna Cox from the Women of Faith.



**MOTHER'S DAY
AND
PARENT / CHILD
DEDICATION
Sunday, May 12th**

Parents, please call the church office by Monday,

May 6th, to register for this very special service. Also, please send a photo of your baby with full name, birth date, and both parents' names to media@circlewood.org before Wednesday, May 8th.



Thank You, Ladies!

I want to thank all the ladies who took part in the Ladies Choir

on Sunday! The turnout was tremendous; you looked lovely and sang sublime! You added so much to our worship service as you filled the sanctuary with praise.

*Thank you again!
David*

SHOEBOXES FOR OCC ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED!!!

