

THE BUCKLER – May 17, 2026

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MEETING TIMES

Sunday AM Worship	10:00 AM
Sunday PM Worship	6:00 PM
Wed Bible Study	6:00 PM

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

HEAR	ROMANS 10:17
BELIEVE	MARK 16:16
REPENT	LUKE 13: 3
CONFESS	MATTHEW 10:32
BE BAPTIZED	ACTS 2:38
LIVE FAITHFULLY	REVELATION 2:10

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

Sunday May 17 AM PM

Announcements	B. Hannum	B. Hannum
Song Leader	C. Banton	C. Banton
Opening Prayer	B. Euler	D. Shobe
Communion	R. Shobe	R. Shobe
Scripture Reading	A. Robinson	A. Robinson
Sermon/Invitation	D. Kessinger	D. Kessinger
Closing Prayer	E. Mayes	T. Haid

Wednesday May 20

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Invitation	B. Hannum
Closing Prayer	E. Mayes

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Bill and Jane Hannum, Levi Doolittle, Becky Mullins, Matt Black, Nina Shobe, Debbie Cook's grandson Jonathan, Robin Kessinger, Chris and Susan Rimmey, Beth Mayes, Betty Mayes, Elizabeth Banton, Missy Fetty

Those battling Cancer... Jordan Stuckey, Connie Byus, Mike Rogers, Ladonna Carr, Jennifer Barton, Beth Lewis, Deedee Rogers, Lisa Green, Adam Hoschar, Larry Shamblin, Tanya Ball, Kenny Grady, Bill Soulsby, Jennifer Errett, Dr. Breton Morgan, Jessica Higginbotham, James Upton, Rodney Taylor, Kenny Blazer, Amy Donahue, Jacob Anthony, Linda Fisher, Lorie Gravely, Jeff Burriss

MAY BIRTHDAYS: Missy Mayes 5/12, Lexi Banton 5/23

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! Dale and Nina Shobe 5/18

PUT CELL PHONES AWAY AND GIVE THIS TIME TO GOD
Several events are advertised on the bulletin board.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Answer 5/10 – “Talitha Cumi (Damsel, I say unto thee, arise) – Mark 5:41

How did the damsel respond?

BOTH POSITIONS CANNOT BE RIGHT

When it comes to religious teaching and religious beliefs, we find a world that will accept something that it will not accept in other spheres of life. Religious people will say that two contradictory beliefs can both be right. In fact, they will affirm that both of them are the truth.

Salvation is by faith only. VS
Salvation is by faith plus obedience.

Baptism does not save. VS
Baptism saves.

Jesus is a created being. VS
Jesus is a divine being.

Peter was the first pope. VS
Peter was not the first pope.

The kingdom has been established and is in Existence. VS
The establishment of the kingdom is a future event.

A Christian cannot fall from grace. VS
A Christian can fall from grace.

These contrasts could go on for pages. Yes, the contradictory beliefs exist, but everyone believes that both can be truth. This type of thinking is called "relativism." Each person or group of persons creates, holds, and defends their own truth. In essence, there is no single source of truth that exists in the religious world. Such thinking allows each person to become his/her own god.

One will say, “My truth will save me.” Another will say, “Your truth will save you.” Still others may say, “Another person's truth will save him.”

NOTE: It does not matter if the truths of these three individuals contradict. All are said to have saving power.

Such thinking is comforting perhaps, but it is far from reality. Truth in the religious world exists (John 14:6). That truth is found in God's Word (John 17:17). That truth can be known (John 8:32). Those that come to know the truth will be saved (1 Tim. 2:5).

Dear readers, there are not many truths. There is no such thing as "my truth" and "your truth." There is one, and only one, truth.

We can debate differences, but once truth has been established, that truth should be submitted to by all. Those who refuse to obey the truth will be judged by it in the last day. "But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things" (Rom. 2:2).

-- V. Eskew

