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# Messenger

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT VISITS DAYCARE

Wednesday, the Yazoo City Fire Department made a special visit to the children in our First Methodist Daycare. All the children had the opportunity to get up in the Fire truck. A special guest was Sparky, the local mascot. He taught the children the importance of fire safety.







**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20**

- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship
- 6:00 p.m. Solid Ground Youth
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 21**

- 6:00 p.m. Ladies' Bible Study

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22**

- 6:00 p.m. Emmaus Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23**

- 4:30 p.m. Ladies' Handbell Practice
- 5:30 p.m. W.O.W. Children's Ministry
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
- 6:15 p.m. Snack Supper
- 6:30 p.m. Youth
- 6:30 p.m. Discipleship Study

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26**

- 9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 20. Derek Parker
- 25. Josh Allen
- Neetsie Gary
- Rose Anderson
- Lynne Howie
- Patsy Clark
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- 20. Mr. & Mrs. Steve Newman
- 25. Mr. & Mrs. Jim Oakes
- Mr. & Mrs. Slater Phillips



*Sympathy and love to Rosemary and Rich Knox and Amanda and Maddie Canard in the death of Rosemary's mother, Mary Virginia Daugherty, who died October 11, 2024.*



Weeks after the children receive their Disciple Booklets, the local churches follow up with their Discipleship program. The children are taught 10 lessons on how they can receive forgiveness, eternal life and become children of God through faith in Jesus Christ. Since 2010 more than 16,609,981 children have participated in the Bible Programs. At the end of the program the children are given a Bible in their own language. 11,257,343 of these children made a decision for Christ. If you haven't picked up your shoe box, please do so this week.

**South Delta District Rally**  
*Lauren Porter, Presiding Elder*

**November 10, 2024**

3:00 pm-5:00pm

**Indianola First Methodist Church**  
205 East Second Street, Indianola, MS

**Everyone is Invited!**

MUSIC BY  
DARIN & MACON DAVIS

MESSAGE BY  
REVEREND JD WALT

**Breakout Sessions**



Certified Lay Ministries  
Led by  
*Sonny Daniels*



Small Group Discipleship  
Led by Reverend  
*JD Walt*



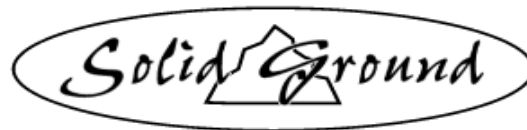
Utilizing Technology in Small Membership Churches  
Led by  
*Kyle Wilson*



We are still moving through our October series, *The God Who Corrects Us*. These lessons began with The Fall of man and move through the early Bible stories of Adam, Eve, Cain and Abel. This Sunday we will turn to the story of Noah. Our lesson "God is Able to Save Us" takes us through the last days of Noah, his family and the animals on the Ark. This story shows us that God keeps his promises.

## **HISKIDZ/W.O.W. WEDNESDAY**

Our Children's Wednesday Night Bible study has our children learning about the stories and people in the Old Testament. For the next several weeks, we will be in the Book of Judges, learning the stories of Deborah, Gideon, Samson, and Samuel. This Bible Study has us moving through the Books of the Bible, one story at a time. We meet at 5:30 p.m. with Snack Supper at 6:15 p.m. We will dismiss at 6:30 p.m.



Sunday and Wednesday Night Bible Study for the Youth meets at 6:00 in the basement. We are moving through a study call "Confirming Your Faith." This study encourages us to talk about things in our everyday lives that can help strengthen our Faith or hinder it. We took a break at the mid-way point in this study to watch the movie, "Run the Race." This movie is the story of 2 brothers who have been dealt an unfair hand in life. One brother has a very deep-rooted faith while the other one struggles with the question "WHY?" Why would God allow these things to happen to us? Why do other people get the breaks? Why should I continue to follow Him? For the next several weeks, we will be moving through the Bible Study that compliments this movie.

## **M28 Camp – Tentative Date -July 8-12, 2025**

Camp registration has opened. I will register our Youth Group on Monday, October 14. Sign-up will require a non-refundable deposit of \$120 to hold your place. Spots will only be held if the full deposit has been paid. Deposit may be split into 2 payments of \$60, but half must be paid upfront.

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

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| Greeters  | Christy & Albert Vandevere/Brenda & Denny Paul |
| Scripture | Luke 15:11-24                                  |
| Sermon    | <b>“Justifying Grace”</b>                      |
| Flowers   | Mabel & Michael George                         |

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### OCTOBER

|   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| 20. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost | Luke 17:11-19           |
| 21. God’s mighty acts                       | Joshua 4:4-7            |
| 22. For your own glory                      | Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 |
| 23. God’s welcoming presence                | Psalms 84:1-7           |
| 24. Then you shall know                     | Joel 2:23-32            |
| 25. All flesh shall come                    | Psalms 65               |
| 26. Strengthened in ministry                | 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18  |