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WHAT IN THE WORD?

SCRIPTURE REMINDS US THAT GOD'S WORD IS ACCURATE AND INFALLIBLE:

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Psalm 33:9

For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.



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Join us on **Friday, October 10** for **Restoration 2025.** We have several individuals in our church body who have restored antique vehicles, motorcycles, and other forms of transportation. We invite everyone to join us from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM to view these restored "beauties," enjoy free food, and learn a brief lesson on becoming restored through Christ. This is a free event. We encourage you to bring a lawn chair and join us in the Perry Street Parking Lot. Contact Ed Cleveland at (205) 223-6418 if you would like to bring an antique car.



Member Gpotlight

Christine Philley serves as our Senior Adult Leadership Chair. She was born on June 4, 1951, in Enterprise, Louisiana. Christine was baptized at the age of nine at New Ouachita Baptist Church in Enterprise. She met her husband, Freddie, while attending the University of Louisiana at Monroe. They have been married for 53 years and are proud parents of two children and five grandchildren. With a background in Home Economics, Christine has held various positions throughout her career, including roles at LSU, multiple church offices, and as a training manager. Additionally, she worked at the Mississippi Department of Education and served as the Health Administrator for the State of Mississippi.

SENIOR ADULT LEADERSHIP TEAM

CHAIR

Christine Philley

VICE CHAIR

Sandra White

EVENT ASSISTANTS

Joe Davis & Richard Pierce

SMART TEAM

Ken Sandstrom & Jim Johnson

FLOWERS FOR IN-HOME

Ginger McMichael & Lou Ann Darby

IN-HOME MINISTRY

Scott and Debby McLaughlin



Would you please consider writing an encouraging note or sending a sweet card to one of our In-Home Ministry church members? This would be a wonderful way to minister to some of our church members who are unable to attend Sunday School or Worship Services. Here's one:

James & LaWanda White

4160 Sherman Way Montgomery, Alabama 36109



If you would like to serve as an In-Home Ministry visitor, contact Debby McLaughlin at (334) 312-7406.



The Celebrators Conference will take place from October 13 to 16, 2025, in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The cost per person is \$450, which includes conference registration, hotel accommodations, all breakfasts, and transportation. Headliners include: Phil Waldrep, David Jeremiah, The Collingsworth Family, Karen Peck & New River, Mark Lowry & Friends, David Phelps & Band, comedian Jonnie W., and Charles Billingsley. *Currently, the trip is full. Contact Ed to see if a spot has become available*.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JOY SINGERS | MONDAY MORNINGS

Join us at 10:00 AM in room 347 as we kick off the new year with an exciting lineup of music for the Advent Worship Service. We have a variety of new songs ready for you! There's plenty of space for new members, and we would love to have you join us. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come! Our choir has grown to 50!!

SAINTS ALIVE | THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

Saints Alive is a free event sponsored by ALSBOM. We will meet at First Baptist Church of Prattville to hear some great gospel music and a message from Dennis Swanberg and Bob Smith. Register online at https://makingdisciplesal.org/event/saints-alive-2025/

SAVE THE DATE!

Our next big trip will be to the East Coast of Florida, including Amelia Island, St. Augustine, and Jacksonville. The dates are April 13 - 17, 2026. The cost is \$650 PP for doubles and \$850 for a single. More info to come later!



For more information, contact

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