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MARK'S MESSAGE

GROW IN THE LORD

Whether you are a babe in Christ or a spiritually mature Christian, you can grow in Christ. There are many ways by which we can grow in the Lord; I'm going to share with you 4 essential steps to move you forward toward spiritual maturity. Though simple, they are vital to building your relationship with the Lord.



Step 1 – READ YOUR BIBLE: Find a Bible reading plan that's right for you. A plan will keep you from missing anything God has written in His word. Also, if you have a plan it will get you in the habit and can make it easier to read the Bible through in a year. We sometimes say that we don't have time, but we can make time for the truly important things in our lives, so we can have time if we consider reading the Bible important. Some say "I just can't understand the Bible". There are so many tools like a Bible concordance, Bible introduction books, Bible survey books, dictionaries, survey books, etc. that can help us. The easiest way to grow spiritually is to make reading a priority.

Step 2 – CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: This is one of the main reasons we attend worship services (Heb 10:25). By doing so we receive teaching, fellowship, encouragement, and we grow closer to the Lord in our worship. The 1st century church did this (Acts 2:42-47). Participating in the Body of Christ is fundamental to spiritual growth.

Step 3 – GET INVOLVED: The Lord's church offers many ways to serve and to minister. Pray and ask God where you should get involved. It's the ones who get involved that find their purpose and grow in their faith.

Step 4 – PRAY REGULARLY: Talk to the Lord each and every day, and several times a day. Pray for others in need. Pray for direction, and for strength. There is no limit to prayer! You can pray with your eyes closed or open, while standing or sitting, kneeling or laying on your bed, anywhere, anytime. So begin to make prayer a part of your daily routine. May we all as individuals and as a church family continue to grow in Christ (2 Pet 3:18).

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Tanner's News and Events

FOCUS/5TH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP/LEADERSHIP YOUTH TRAINING/MELODY MAKERS

January 30th we will have our end of the month **FOCUS** service on the topic **INFLUENCE**, then we will have a fellowship meal and enjoy dining to the inspiring gospel singing of **Danny Dodson & his acapella group, The Melody Makers**. We will conclude the day with a short 30 minute period of worship led by our young men. That's a lot in one day! Hope you can be a part of it!

BE A BIBLE STUDENT IN 2022

Start 2022 out on the right foot by committing yourself to the study and reading of the word of God. There are daily Bible reading schedules & study tools in the foyer. Pick one up! Use it!



2022 EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Don't forget to get a 2022 program today! This program includes the year's upcoming events and goals. Let's resolve to be involved in the Lord's church in 2022!

FOCUS SERVICE



Jan 30th Focus sign-up list is posted for the men to sign up.

BETTER IN 2022

We often joke about breaking resolutions. Jokes about New Year's resolutions, however, may be an indication of a more serious problem. It may point to our fear and lack of determination to persevere, to achieve, and to grow. We need new beginnings. We need the opportunity to start over. Since we are looking at a measure of new time which has an element of the unknown in it, let us make or renew one important resolve – to be **BETTER** in 2022 than we were in 2021. We are beginning a Sermon Series simply entitled **BETTER** where we will look at how we can grow & become a better version of ourselves in several specific areas. **Pick up your program of the topics & dates.** Let's resolve to be **BETTER** in 2022!

- Next Sunday—BETTER Worship to my God

Mark



We extend our deepest sympathy to Wayne & Cheryl Bryant & Family in the passing of Wayne's brother, Joe Bryant who passed from this life early new year's morning. Visitation & Funeral were Saturday

Directory Update

Robert & Maria Uthlaut
13250 Hidden Valley Dr
Madison, AL. 35756

CYC 2022: Tanner is paying the individual registration fee of \$35 for everyone and \$200 towards each motel room. If you're going you will be responsible for gas, eating, and anything above \$200 for hotel room. A special THANKS to our elders for their support



Tanner Family Special Concerns

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Melvis Adams Athens Nursing Home & Rehab across from the hospital. His address is 611 W Market, room 43A , Brett Agee, Drew Bennett, Grant Beverly, Jean Bond, Matthew Chandler, Colin Coan, Stephanie Cooper, Caleb Crowe, Faye Davis, Louise Davis, Beverly Haney, Heath Hartley, Freddie Hays, Judy Hogan, Qution Hogan, Ed Hysaw, Gary Hillis, Russ Housman, Adam Howard, Brandon Howard, Adam Jones, Sue Lemay, Tom Lemay, Carol Lewis, Marie Malone, Craig Marshall, Sis Martin, Susan McCluskey, Teresa Mitchell, Debra Patrick, Lynn Patrick, Emmalice Patrick, Ann Poyner, Allison Scroggins, Dana Bailey Shores, Joe Stewart, Philip Taylor, Curtis Trotter, Miranda Turner, Sherri White, Dusty Williams, Rodney Wilson, Bill Bryant, The Kirby family (friends of the Bates), Jose Guerrero (our Hispanic minister), Kim Mills (Andy Shoults step daughter), Chad Carter

In Need of Prayer

- Phillip Taylor had a cancerous spot close to his eye removed Friday. He is doing well
- Zimbabwe church as they are drilling for water
- Those effected by the recent storms
- Eladio Martinez (Carlos father) is home from the hospital & doing a little better
- Bobby Ray tested positive for Covid
- Lois Malone is recovering from dehydration & a UTI
- Jean Bonds daughter-in-law, Jeanette Stewart (Michael's wife) has been diagnosed with lung cancer. She will begin radiation & chemo soon
- Danny Phillip's mother, Naomi Abernathy is in rehab at West Hobbs St after a hospital stay
- Faye & Brittany Hall have been sick with the stomach bug
- Xander Taylor has been sick
- Melody Eaton has had to reschedule a surgery on a tom meniscus
- Carolyn Williams will be having a CT scan on her legs on the 19th
- Additional—

BETTER Relationship with my God

What is the goal of marriage? _____

What passages liken our relationship with God to a marriage? _____

My Christianity Begins With Christ

Why is Sin so bad? _____

Why do I have a problem resisting sin? _____

Tracing the Problem to its root—Why Don't I Love God More? _____

What 2 Passages in our study does God express a desire to have a relationship with us? _____

We All Live Out Our Faith in One of These Two Ways

1. _____

2. _____

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE TODAY! WE EXIST TO GLORIFY GOD AND TO CONNECT PEOPLE TO LIVE THE LIFE OF A JESUS FOLLOWER. WE HOPE YOU WILL FIND THE WORSHIP TO BE IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO ASK QUESTIONS AND COME BACK AND BE WITH US ANYTIME YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY. LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN COME ALONG-SIDE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AND GET YOU INVOLVED IN WHAT THE LORD IS DOING THROUGH US.



Regular Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Classes.....	9:30
Sunday AM Worship.....	10:30
Wednesday Evening Classes.....	7:00
Sunday Worship/Bible Study @ Summer Manor in Decatur	2:00

Evangelists

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Elders (Shepherds)

Henry Carter.....256-867-5458
Robert Hall.....256-431-1175

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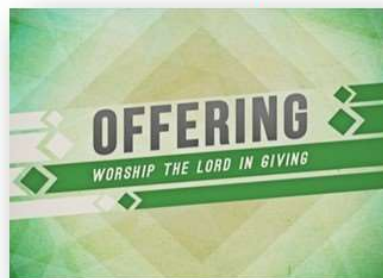
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**YOU CAN FIND US ON
FACEBOOK AT
TANNER CHURCH OF
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There you can:

- **Stay connected to your Church Family**
- **Stay up-to-date on what's going on**
- **View our weekly Classes and Sermons**
- **Get our weekly Bulletin**



**YOUR WEEKLY
OFFERING can be
dropped in the
plate at the audito-
rium entrance or
mailed to the
Church address**



The prefilled com-
munion cups are
available in the foyer

Birthdays

Danny Phillips—10th
Tom Hine—12th



Anniversaries

