

Heflin Baptist Church Messenger Emphasize Christ, Energize the Church and

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Dear Church Family,

I've been thinking a lot lately about making the right decisions. It seems like everywhere I look, I witness people struggling with making proper decisions.

Not only do we make wrong decisions, sometimes we become so weary with life that we choose to stop making decisions at all. As Christians, we understand from Scripture that our decisions affect everyone around us. With that in mind, it is imperative for Christians to make solid decisions that will bring glory and honor to our Lord Jesus Christ.

I was reading recently about the last days in the life of Joshua. He was a man who had been used by the Lord to lead His people into their promised inheritance. He was not the original leader, but he carried forward after the death of Moses. He, like us, made some bad decisions along the way. Yet, each time he learned valuable lessons that helped him become even more faithful to God as he grew older. In the final season of his life, he made a firm statement concerning his commitment to follow God faithfully.

Joshua 24:14-15 (NKJV)

¹⁴ "Now therefore, fear the LORD, serve Him in sincerity and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the River and in Egypt. Serve the LORD!

¹⁵ And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Joshua had led the people of God across the Jordan River in chapter three and now he reminds them of how life was on the other side as they wandered in the wilderness. He made it clear that they must make a decision. His decision was already made and regardless of the decisions of others, Joshua would lead his house to serve the Lord. How about you? What decision have you made? Have you fully, completely and wholeheartedly decide to follow the Lord? It is the goal of my life to finish well and lead others to do the same. Joshua finished well and the key to finishing well is making the right decision to follow Jesus Christ. Friend, make that decision today! Put a stake in the ground and boldly proclaim as Joshua, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!"

> I Love You ALL, Pastor Brent

> > Proverbs 30:5

DEACONS MEETING

This month's Deacons Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 10th



Evangelize our Community.





Many of our youth will be participating in the Summer Xtreme Missions Conference in Panama City Beach June 11th – 15th. Please be in prayer for safe travel and a wonderful experience for all attending.

DORCAS CIRCLE MEETING

The Dorcas Circle Meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, June 12th, at 6:00 PM at the home of Sonja Adams.





FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

We would like to invite you to breakfast honoring all the dads on Father's Day, June 17th. We will eat around 8:00 AM and then stay for the Sunday School at 8:45. The Worship Hour will follow at 10:00 AM. There will be no Evening Service to give you some extra time to spend with family.

WORLDSONG MISSIONS ADVENTURE CAMP

Some of the young girls will be attending Missions Adventure Camp at WordSong June 18th – 22nd. They will participate in many activities, have daily Bible study and spend time with missionaries. Please pray that this experience will have a positive impact on these girls and help them grow spiritually.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in volunteering in the nursery, teaching Children's Church, or helping with one of the upcoming Wednesday night programs, please see the Nursery Director, Doris Chambliss, Children's Ministry Team Chairperson, Carrie Hyatt, or call the office at 256.463.2576.

ALL AMERICAN CELEBRATION

Join us Sunday, July 8th, at 5:00 PM for the All American Celebration at Cahulga Creek Park under the new Arbacoochee Pavilion. There will be plenty of refreshments and great fellowship. There will be no regular evening service or activities that night.



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