### **Prayer List**



### Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ♦ Wilfred Derrick—aneurysm
- ◆ Amanda Hilburn—diverticulitis
- ◆ Katelynne Howze—stomach ulcer
- ◆ Emmy Lou & Liam Mashburn hand, foot, mouth disease
- ◆ Jim Ward—Defuniak Springs, Chautauqua Rehab. Ctr., Rm. 427

### **Others in Need**

- ◆ Mary Lou Joseph—cancer
- ◆ Katie Gonzalez—6 years old, has a rare disease
- ◆ Michael Hudson-stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Carol Kitzan—health problems
- ◆ Jeff Mashburn—health problems
- ◆ Thad McCall—health problems
- ◆ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ◆ Shane Price—cancer
- ◆ Stanley Ryan and family
- ◆ Ronnie Wells—health problems
- ◆ Princess Zephaniah—

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pregnancy complications

- ◆ Christians overseas, Ukraine
- ◆ Those recovering from Hurricane Ian and the flooding in Pakistan
- ◆ Sound preaching schools, Government leaders, military, 1st responders, travelers, the lost, and our enemies

### **To Our Visitors**



We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

### **Events**

Leonard St. Ladies Day

Meal after AM Worship

Nov. 5th

Nov. 6th

Nov. 13th

Men's Meeting



### **Privileged to Serve**



Announcements—Glenn Howze
Song Leading—Sunday—David Howze;
Wednesday—Caleb Howze

### Serving the Lord's Supper

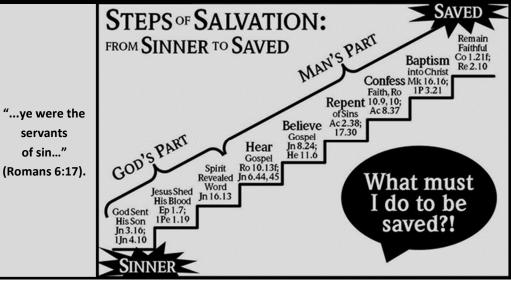
Head: Leo Derrick; Helpers: Wilfred Derrick, Caleb Howze, Ethan Howze

### **Lord's Supper PM**

Head: Glenn Howze Helper: David Howze

Scripture Reading—Mark Howze

Faithful Worship — 1) Praying to God the Father in the name of Jesus Christ (Luke 11:1-2; John 16:23; Eph. 5:20; Phil. 4:6); 2) Singing without mechanical instruments (Matt. 26:30; Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16-17; Heb. 2:12); 3) Preaching God's Word (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:42; 20:7); 4) Giving weekly as prospered, cheerfully (1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 9:7); 5) The Lord's Supper on the first day of every week (Matt. 26:26-28; Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20-34; 16:2; Heb. 10:23-31).



"...but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness" (Rom. 6:17b-18).

# THE BAKER BULLETIN

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### **Meeting Times**

### **Sundays:**

10AM Bible Class 11AM Worship 6PM Worship

### Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

### **Other Information**

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### A Few Words from Jason

Congratulations to Ezra Howze for becoming a Christian! Ezra was baptized for the forgiveness of his sins and added to Christ's church on Thursday, October 27. He did not want to wait and drive to the church building where the water would be warm. He chose rather to be baptized immediately in our backyard pool where the water was cold, because he understood the urgency of water baptism taught clearly in the Scriptures! (Mark 16:15, 16; John 3:5; Acts 2:38-41, 47; 8:35-39; 9:18, 19; 16:33; 22:16; Rom. 6:3-5, 16-18; Gal. 3:27; Eph. 4:5; 5:26; Col. 2:11-13; Titus 3:5; Heb. 5:9; 10:22; 1 Pet. 1:22; 3:20, 21).

Ezra is already a sharp Bible student, and I am confident that he will only grow stronger as time goes on, if God allows time to continue. May we all congratulate and encourage Ezra.

## **Turning the Light on "Pro-Choice"**

Glenn Colley

There are few, if any, truly good things in life which can survive if not fenced in by proper boundaries. American freedom, in the beginning, was like a sweet drink for those who wanted to escape the tyranny of religious and economic oppression, but it sours into poison if prostituted to provide haven for immoral ideas and actions. The freedom of speech, for example, has been sadly misused by pornographers as a shield from those who would like to see their vile trade stopped. Freedom of speech can be

good for society, but pornography destroys society.

For whom should freedom of speech and liberty of action be unavailable? Some would foolishly answer, "Freedom for everyone, any time!" Surely, we do not believe that. Our liberty to do what we want must end for every man or woman who wants to use freedoms to harm fellow citizens. Levelheaded Americans have always believed that. Theoretically, it is on this premise that our legal system is built.

I have freedom to shake a man's hand, but not freedom to strike him with my hand. I have freedom to enter a man's house when I am invited, but not when I break in uninvited. I have freedom to sell a man an apple, but not sell a man an apple laced with poison. My rights stop where another man's begin.

This is why those who call themselves "pro-choice" hold a view which at its core is evil. Abortion involves at least two people. The mother and the unborn baby. That is the truth, and will never change. Have you ever considered the difference between the one who holds the "Pro-life" position and one who holds the "Pro-choice" position? It is this: One places emphasis on the rights and value of the baby, the other places total emphasis on the mother.

They are also different in that in the pro-life side, the baby is safe, and with adoption, the mother is inconvenienced, but not physically harmed. On the pro-choice side, the baby dies, and the mother considers herself to be more inconvenienced [than the so-called "fetus," JPH].

The pro-choice advocate argues that a woman has freedom to choose, and that government should protect her right to kill her unborn baby up until the baby is born except for the head. But wait! What happened to the bedrock American principle that says I cannot have freedom which places my preferences over the welfare of the innocent? That principle is trampled by each person who advocates abortion rights: be he Jew or Gentile.

And where does this selfish, evil heart which permits the killing of the unborn lead people? How many of God's laws must be broken and ignored in a man's heart in order to allow him to advocate abortion? And after he has broken them, what kind of man does this choice make him? I have often wondered how comfortable pro-choice people would feel living next door to a doctor which commonly performs abortions. What kind of man has a conscience which would permit that? And would you want him for your neighbor? Your children's school principal? If he was available and you had to run some errands, would you leave your small children in his care and feel safe? He may wear a white jacket when he works, but that does not change what he truly is inside. He is a hired killer. The difference between him and a medical doctor who uses his skills to heal, is crystal clear and shockingly stark. One saves, the other kills. The mother who pays up front for an abortion is paying that man to make sure her unborn baby is dead.

Pro-abortion Americans, whoever they are, hold an evil position and need to be ashamed of themselves and repent. Our Lord gave us the foundation of all human relationships when He said, "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets" (Matt. 7:12).

If this were cemented into all our hearts, abortion as we know it today, would immediately cease. Consider the unborn baby and ask some sobering questions. "Is it human or animal?" Obviously human. "Is it living or dead?" Obviously living, otherwise abortion would not require killing it. "Is it innocent or guilty?" Obviously innocent.

Only in reference to abortion can Americans feel enlightened and proud when they smugly advocate the deliberate killing of innocent human beings. And only in present-day America will politicians brag about it for votes. This article is not intended to offend, but to enlighten. People, and especially Christians, need to shake off contemporary liberal thinking and use their voice to protect the innocent.