

## Prayer List



### Of Our Number

- ◆ Janice Carnley—Shoal Creek
- ◆ Wilfred Derrick—recovering, weak
- ◆ Jeff Mashburn—health problems
- ◆ Donna Parish—not well lately

### Others in Need

- ◆ Atlas, Jessica Wesley's baby grandson—Covid
- ◆ Mrs. Brown, Johnny's friend—fell
- ◆ Chico's father is in bad health
- ◆ Danny Davis—back problems
- ◆ Dawn Holloway—in ICU
- ◆ Mary Lou Joseph—cancer
- ◆ Tony Jones—Parkinson's
- ◆ Kyla, Denise's daughter—pregnancy complications
- ◆ Mary Milsted—lung cancer
- ◆ Allie O'Rourke—concussion
- ◆ Thomas Patterson—health issues
- ◆ Shane Price—cancer
- ◆ Jason Rickmon—cancer
- ◆ Larry Shappley—hospice care
- ◆ Taylor's grandmother—health

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problems

- ◆ Yoel Urra—improving
- ◆ Jessica Wesley's family—Covid
- ◆ Craig Wray—stage 4 cancer
- ◆ Pray for Christians overseas, such as those facing intense persecution in Pakistan and certain parts of India.
- ◆ Pray for peace, pray for the bereaved, the persecuted, sick/suffering, civil leaders, military, 1st responders, sound Bible schools, the lost, enemies.

## Events

### February 4th

Meal after AM Worship

### First week in May

Our Gospel Meeting

**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).

## To Our Visitors

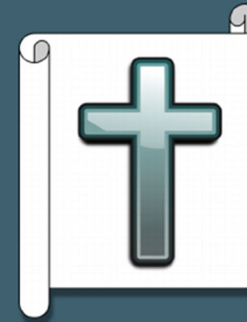


We are happy and honored that you are here! Please fill out a visitor's card and give us a chance to get to know you. If you have any questions about anything said or done in Bible class or worship, please ask. We seek to give a Bible answer for everything we do (Colossians 3:17; 1 Peter 3:15; 4:11).

## Privileged to Serve



**Announcements**—Mark Howze  
**Song Leading**—Sunday—David Howze; Wednesday—Ethan Howze  
**Serving the Lord's Supper**  
 Head: Johnny Moss; Helpers: Caleb Howze, Glenn Howze, Josh Lawson  
**Lord's Supper PM**  
 Head: Mark Howze  
 Helper: Ethan Howze  
**Scripture Reading**—Ezra Howze



# THE BAKER BULLETIN

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The church of Christ in Baker, FL

February 4, 2024

## Meeting Times

### Sundays:

10AM Bible Class  
 11AM Worship  
 6PM Worship

### Wednesdays:

7PM Bible Class

## Other Information

5761 Hwy. 4  
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### Website:

churchofChristatBaker.com

### Radio Program:

104.7FM Sundays 8:30AM  
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## Majoring in Minors

Jason Patrick Hilburn

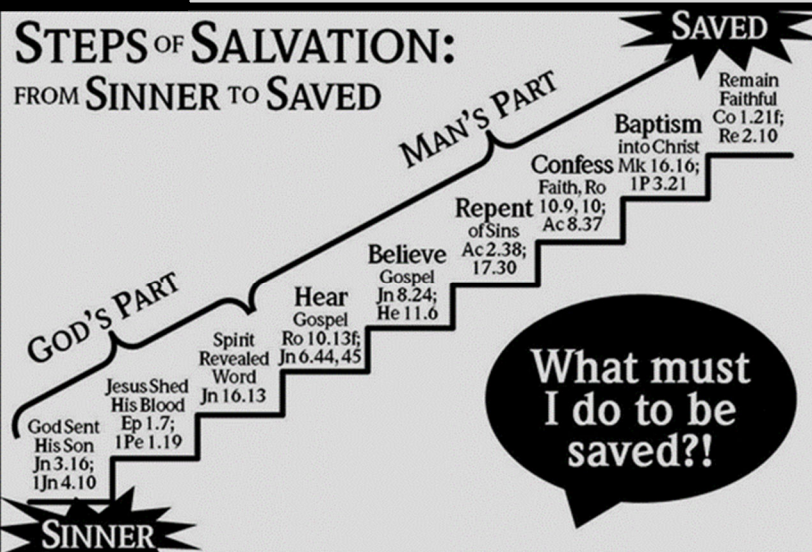
After all that God has done for us, He deserves all our love and dedication, but is that what we give Him? It is so easy to become distracted by the things of this world and completely focus on things that are not as important as eternity. Do we have our priorities straight? Are we focused on less important things in life more than the most important things? Are we majoring in minors?

- Are we knowledgeable and passionate about politics but lack interest in God's Word and eternal matters? *"While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal"* (2 Corinthians 4:18).
- Are we knowledgeable about sports, hunting, or fishing, but know little about the Bible? *"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee..."* (Hosea 4:6; cf. 1 Timothy 4:16; 2 Timothy 2:15-18).
- Are we more concerned about having a nice-looking lawn, a clean house, or a clean car than having a clean soul? *"If we say that we have fellowship with him, and*

## STEPS OF SALVATION:

FROM SINNER TO SAVED

"...ye were the servants of sin..."  
 (Romans 6:17).



"...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).

*walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin” (1 John 1:6-7; cf. 1:9; 2:1-6).*

- Are we more concerned about our physical appearance than our spiritual appearance? *“...for ye are like unto whited sepulchers, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness” (Matthew 23:27; cf. 1 Timothy 4:8).*
- Are we more concerned about secular education than spiritual education? *“And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works” (2 Timothy 3:15-17).*
- Are we more concerned about climbing the ladder of success in our careers than ascending to Heaven with Jesus? *“For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord” (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).*
- Are we more concerned about accumulating physical things than laying up treasures in Heaven? *“Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also” (Matthew 6:19-21; cf. Luke 12:15-21; 1 Timothy 6:6-10).*
- Are we more concerned about enjoying the fruits of our worldly labors than bearing fruit for Christ? *“Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples” (John 15:8; cf. 15:1-7; Luke 8:8, 14-15).*

- Do we put family before God? *“He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me” (Matthew 10:37).*
- If we are young, are we more concerned about having fun than having salvation? *“Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment...Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth...” (Ecclesiastes 11:9; 12:1).*
- If we are single, are we more concerned about finding a spouse than finding God? *“...for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever” (1 Chronicles 28:9; Matthew 6:33; Acts 17:27; Hebrews 11:6).*
- Do we put entertainment before God? *“Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind” (Matthew 22:37).*
- Are we busier preparing for retirement than preparing for Judgment? *“Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh” (Matthew 24:44; cf. John 12:48; 2 Corinthians 5:9-11; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9).*

If any of our answers were “yes,” let us be willing to change and be what God desires us to be. Let us “major in majors,” focusing on what is most important in life, as someone once said, “The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing!” Solomon will summarize and remind us of our purpose in life: *“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil” (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14; cf. Matthew 7:21-27; 2 Corinthians 5:9-11).*