

# CHASE PARK MESSENGER

## *How Reliable is our Bible Text?*

There are some passages in the Bible that are sometimes questioned as reliable by Bible scholars, as to whether they belong in the Scripture text. Some of these passages include The Story of the Adulteress (John 7:53 – 8:11) and the ending of the book of Mark (16:9-20), among others. The reasons for their concern have to do with the reliability of the Greek manuscripts that were used in the translation of the Bible into English.

God in His wisdom has used humans to transmit His word into many different languages over time. In the time of Christ, many of the common people heard the Old Testament Scriptures from a translation of the Hebrew books into Greek, called the Septuagint. In fact, we know that Christ and the Apostles used this version in their quotes of the Old Testament.

God has also used the agency of His Providence to ensure that the Bible text that we use in our study and worship is reliable and true to His Will. For the transmission of the Hebrew Old Testament, the Jews used scribes that had very defined and restrictive rules for making copies of the text. As a result of their discipline, very few errors crept into the text. In fact, the Dead Sea Scrolls confirmed the accuracy of the Hebrew texts as greater than 95% in word-for-word.

For the New Testament the accumulated Greek manuscripts that are used for translation also represent reliable and accurate text that can give us the assurance that our New Testaments are representative of God’s Word to us. We have over 5,400 Greek manuscripts as text transmissions available to translation scholars.

As Christians, we should make use of the Bible as God intended to build up our spiritual bodies and also to teach those who need to hear the Gospel message.

*Your elders*

## *Welcome, Guests*

We are honored that you have chosen to visit with us today! Our time of worship together on the Lord’s Day is one of the highlights of each week and we are thrilled to be able to share this special time with you.

As we worship, our desire is to do so according to the New Testament pattern and in a way that is pleasing and acceptable to God. It is also our prayer that our time together is uplifting to those who are here including you, our guests. If you have any questions about anything that you see or hear today, please feel free to ask. We would love to speak with you about those things and help you in any way that we can.



### Ministers

Rusty Hills ..... Pulpit  
Pat Cowden ..... Evangelism

### Elders

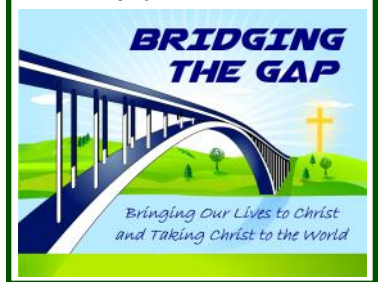
Curtis Hill            Dennis Lawson  
Sam Kachelman        Greg Parker  
Barry Todd

### Missionaries

Jaime Mendoza .... Chalco, Mexico  
Liborio Encarnacion. Ecatepec, Mexico  
Slava Savkovsky ..... Ukraine  
Barton Kizer.....North Carolina  
Dewayne Tapscott..... Southwest

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### 2019 THEME



# Youth News

## Children’s Ministry (Little Lights-6th Grade)

Sep. 22 .....CM Devo  
@ the Williams

## Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)

Every Monday morning .....M4  
@ 7:00 a.m., dining room

Every Wednesday ..... Hang Time  
@ 5:30 p.m.

Sep. 20-22 .....CPYG Fall Retreat  
@ Camp Joy

Sep. 27-29 R.U.S.H. Weekend  
@ Freed-Hardeman

## Lads to Leaders

*If you are interested in being involved in Year-round Puppets, please see Andrea Blankenship.*

*If you are interested in being involved in Bible Bowl, please see Mindy Sims or Michelle Clements.*

*If you are interested in participating in Mass Media, please see Wes McDonald.*

*Stay tuned for more details on these events or see Joel Heady, Wes McDonald, or Cody Gothart, Stephen Trammell for more information.*

## Outreach—Pat Cowden

What a blessing this summer has been. So far, in our 19 OHM meetings, we have had 317 members and 32 visitors attend. We have been excited about the number of folks participating and the number of visitors that have been made to feel welcome by those who have involved themselves. Making visitors feel welcome and important is more than half the battle towards getting a bible study with them. This, of course, is our ultimate goal, to share the gospel with those we come in contact with. So, in order for me, or Rusty, or someone else to get to the point of sitting across the table from someone with an open bible, we have to all do our part to make them feel at home.

I am very pleased with Chase Park at the efforts that are made to make visitors feel like this is a place they could consider as their church home. The more people we invite, the more comfortable they feel, the more success we will have at setting up studies, then the more God will bless our efforts. Don't know how to initiate a conversation with someone about spiritual matters? Come see me and we will talk about some fundamental things a person can incorporate into their everyday lives to make themselves more active and successful at getting folks to visit our services or events.

When you read this, we will be less than a week away from our Special Emphasis Weekend with Brother Melvin Otey. I want to encourage all of us to invite folks to "come and see." (John 1:39 - Jesus and John 1:46 - Nathanael). This may well be a good chance for you to get someone you have prayed for to attend our services. Neither they nor you will be disappointed in the lessons heard and it might make an eternal difference in their lives. Please pray and prepare for this event, then invite as many as you can to come with you. #thinksoulsfirst

Remember, I love you and want to go to heaven with you.

Pat



**Think Souls First**

## News Of Interest

**Pantry Item:** Canned beans

**Home:** Bill Zlatovich (G), Elbert Peters (F), Bennie Jacks (I), Regina Brothers (I)

**Baptism**

Be sure to meet Whitney Holland, daughter of Jeff and Wendy Holzheimer. She has two sons, Seth and Carter.

**New Grandbaby**

Congratulations to Mason and Brooke Cothren on the birth of Oliver Bryant on September 19. He weighed 9 lb. 1.9 oz. and was 20.5” long. Proud grandparents are Greg and Gayle Cothren. His aunts & uncles are Hudson, Kristy, & Parker Cothren, and Maddie & Thom Watkins. New cousins are Brayden, Olivia, Claire & Sophie.

**Member Directory Change**

Please delete Mike, Georgi, and Lucas Emerson from your directory. They have made the difficult decision to leave Chase Park and worship elsewhere. We will miss them and all the good works they have done here. We wish them the best in their future works in the Lord’s church.

**5th Sunday Singing Service**

Sunday, September 29, p.m. service

**OHM Meeting Team 3-Kachelman**

Saturday, October 5, 6:00 p.m., at the home of Pat and Maria Cowden. Members age 30-39, names M-Z.

## Today and Upcoming at Chase Park

**Regency Retirement Service**

Today, 1:30 p.m.  
Speaker: Steve Watson  
Song Leader: Michael Sims

**Family Care Groups Meeting**

Groups B, C, and E will meet today for Soups/Salads lunch in the dining room and fellowship hall.

**Q&A Question and Answer Session**

Tonight, p.m. service

**Hospital Visitation**

Team (3) Suddarth, pick up your assignments after p.m. service.

**Monday Night for the Master**

Monday, September 23, 6:30—8:00 p.m.

**Ladies’ Tuesday a.m. Bible Class**

Tuesday, September 24, 10:00 a.m., elder’s conference room.

**Balance Class**

Tuesday, Thursday, September 24, 26, 1:30 p.m.

**Ladies’ Night Out**

Tuesday, September 24, 6:30 p.m., at the home of Jan Rowe. Bring \$5 and an outdoor chair. Hotdogs, s’mores, and sweetened decaf tea. Sign-up at Hospitality Desk.

**Super Seniors**

Wednesday, September 25, 10:00 a.m.

**Men’s Diggin’ Deep Monthly Bible Study**

Thursday, September 25, 7:00 p.m., West Huntsville.

## Worship Participants



### OCTOBER Birthdays



**SUNDAY AM SEPTEMBER 29**

READING ..... Brannon Emperley  
F PRAYER ..... Greg Parker  
LS PRAYER.....Clay Blankenship  
C PRAYER..... Tow Row

**SUNDAY PM SEPTEMBER 29**

READING .....  
F PRAYER ..... Ron McCall  
C PRAYER..... Andrew Corder

- 1 –Evan Davis
- 2 –Mark Stiegler
- Jeff Crisco
- 4 –Mallory Smith
- 5 –Sarah Black
- Carol Layne
- 6 –Jo McMahan
- Cathy Maples
- 8 –Margaret Norman
- Leslie Campbell
- 10-Mary Bradford
- Terri Emerson
- Thulan Phan
- 11-Russ Davis
- 15-Jerry Kilpatrick
- Scarlett Maples
- 16-Kristy Cothren
- Blake Gustin

- 17-Colene Webster
- Virginia Hardy
- 18-Alyssa Hastings
- 22-Frankie Davis
- 23-Beth Husband
- Linda Baccus
- Caroline Black
- 24-Gary Holzheimer
- 26-Rusty Hills
- Becky Powell
- Bobbie Breeden
- 27-Drew Blankenship
- 30-Andrea Blankenship
- Lane Corder
- 31-Carrie Jennings

# CHRIST-CENTERED COUNTER-CULTURAL LIVING

September 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>

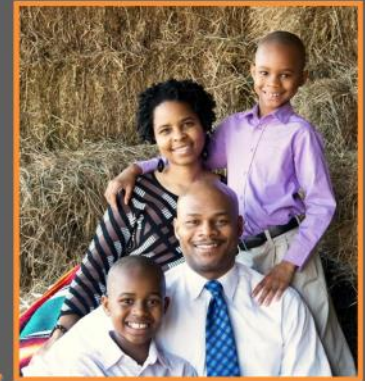
**MEETING TIMES:**

Friday 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
 Saturday 10:00 - 12:00  
 (Lunch to Follow)  
 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
 Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
 10:15 a.m.  
 (Lunch to Follow)

Question & Answer period will follow each Friday and Saturday session.

Join us as we search God's word for answers to some of today's toughest issues.

**Abortion Transgenderism Homosexuality**  
**Evangelizing In the Workplace**  
**Evangelizing In A Post-Modern World**  
**Marriage In Modern American Culture**



Guest Speaker:

**Melvin Otey**

Gospel Preacher and Associate Law Professor at Faulkner University

## Statistics

**Week of September 15, 2019**

AM Worship .....	360
Month Average .....	355
Bible Class .....	290
PM Worship.....	225
Wed., Bible Class (Sep. 18).....	263
Regency Ret. Worship .....	38
Offering .....	\$18,820.94
Budget.....	\$19,000
Average '19 .....	\$19,639
Over Budget for year ....	+\$23,626
<b>Building Fund .....</b>	<b>\$102.00</b>

## Services

*Sunday*  
 Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Bible Class..... 10:15 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.

*Wednesday*  
 Super Seniors ..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Bible Class..... 6:30 p.m.

**Web Site Home Bible Studies**

<https://www.cpcofc.org/home-bible-studies>

**(Lesson 1 Link)**

**The Bible—God's Holy Word**

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