

# CORNER STONE Christian Church

March  
2019

## The Root of Hopelessness

1 Timothy 1:1

Is there any reason why a Christian should ever feel hopeless? That is not as easy a question as it may at first appear. For example, is the subject hope in the ultimate eternal sense, or hope in a limited and immediate circumstance?

What exactly is hope? As believers our interest should always be in God's definition, expressed through the languages in which He chose to reveal Himself. In the Old Testament "hope" is synonymous with "trust;" the New Testament broadens this out to include the nuances of "confident expectation" and "solid assurance." It is directed toward the future, regarding things which are largely unknowable through common human means (Romans 8:24, 25). Mounce writes: "Christian hope is strengthened by the Scriptures (Rom. 15:4), by the work of Jesus (1 Pet. 1:3, 21), and by God's present gift of the Spirit to believers (Rom. 5:5). God wants us to wear hope around our heads as a helmet (1 Thess. 5:8) and to be ready at all times to share our hope with others (1 Pet. 3:15). By contrast, those who do not have God in their lives are without hope (Eph. 2:12)."

Either eternally or in temporary circumstance, our hope is in God's power in our lives through His Son, Jesus Christ!

Two things become clear about hope: 1) it is wrapped up knowing and walking with Jesus, and 2) when you stray from knowing and walking with Him, you have no basis for it any longer.

Keeping a hope-filled outlook depends on maintaining closeness with Christ.

Keep it up!

Jay

## Serving in March

### Communion Meditation:

- 3/3- Joe Rightmyer
- 3/10- Video
- 3/17- Chuck Dodd
- 3/24- Wayne Nickols
- 3/31- Video

### Nursery:

- 3/3 - Charis Walker
- 3/10 - Tonya Generally
- 3/17 - Dianna Stover
- 3/24 - Charis Walker
- 3/31- Tonya Generally

### Greeters:

- 3/3- Loyd & Gladys  
McBride/Mike &  
Blake McBride
- 3/10- Loyd & Gladys  
McBride/Ken &  
Carolyn Crook
- 3/17- Loyd & Gladys  
McBride/Charlie  
Grider
- 3/24- Loyd & Gladys  
McBride/Tonya  
Generally
- 3/31- Loyd & Gladys  
McBride/Mike &  
Blake McBride

## AWANA EVENTS!

- 3/6- Regular Club Night-  
Wear Uniform and  
bring Bible!
- 3/13- Sundae Spectaclar-  
Come tonight for  
ice cream!
- 3/20- Spring Break- no  
AWANA!
- 3/27- Spring Break- No  
AWANA!

## Prayer Sisters

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Your sister in Christ,

Dianna

**HAPPENINGS...Don't miss out!**

**Monday, March 4, 4PM-Elder's Meeting-** If anyone desires to meet with the Elders please see Jay or Larry in advance to arrange a time during the meeting.

**Tuesday, March 12, 6:30PM-** Ladies Bible Study.

*Due to the Convention and other activities in March we will not have a Men's Breakfast.*

**March 22-23 (Friday evening and Saturday morning)-** Alabama State Convention- Cornerstone will be hosting the Alabama Christian Convention this year. The youth activities will be at the Cornerstone building and the adult sessions at Dalraida Baptist Church. We will need as many as possible to help with this event. Please see Jay or Larry if you can volunteer either Friday night, or Saturday morning, we'll even let you work both sessions. If you have not registered and turned in the registration fee please do so as soon as possible. We will have visitors from our brotherhood from all over the state of Alabama and we hope to make this a fruitful and enjoyable time, but we will need everyone's help. Please plan to attend and plan to help as well.

**Sunday, March 31, following AM Worship-** KEENAGERS, Ralph Cottingham bringing the devotion.

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### **LADIES BIBLE STUDY**

**Faithful, Abundant and True**

God is faithful. His provision is abundant. His promises are true.

Kay Arthur teaches from basically, the entire book of Hebrews! Hebrews is both an example of God's faithfulness and a challenge to believers to be faithful in difficult times.

Priscilla Shirer teaches from Ephesians 3:20-21 on God's abundance. A fundamental basis for every believer is the absolute reality that God can do whatever He chooses to do. God's ability empowers our faithfulness.

Beth Moore teaches on the topic of discernment. In these difficult days it is absolutely essential that we learn to trust the Holy Spirit to enable us to determine what is true and what is false.

Please join us - **Tuesday, March 12 at 6:30** at the church building and **every second Tuesday of the month** for this study. If you still need a workbook, you can see Dianna and she will get you one in time for the first session.

**FEBRUARY 2019**

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# MARCH 2019

**APRIL 2019**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	1 Quilting/9AM	2 B-Day/Sarah McKemey B-Day/Gini Woods
3 Sunday School/ 9:30 AM Worship/ 10:30 AM	4 B-Day/Ellah Ingram 4PM/Elders Meet	5 B-Day/Eliza Thompson Al-Anon/6-9PM	6 Dinner 5PM AWANA/Adult Bible Sudy/6PM	7 B-Day/Edwina Oliver	8 B-Day/Lillian Zaworski	9
10 Sunday School/ 9:30 AM Worship/ 10:30 AM	11 B-Day/Hannah Ingram	12 Ladies Bible Study/6:30 PM	13 AWANA/Adult Bible Sudy/6PM	14 Survivors of Suicide Support Group/6PM	15 Quilting/9AM	16 Cornerstone Hand Craft Market/7AM-1PM
17 Sunday School/ 9:30 AM Worship/ 10:30 AM	18	19 Anniv/Chuck & Cindy Dodd	20 Dinner 5PM AWANA/Adult Bible Sudy/6PM	21	22 Alabama State Christian Convention	23
24 Sunday School/ 9:30 AM Worship/ 10:30 AM	25	26	27 AWANA/Adult Bible Sudy/6PM	28 Survivors of Suicide Support Group/6PM	29 B-Day/Ben Ingram	30
31 Sunday School/ AM Worship/10:30 AM KEENAGERS after service! B-Day/Cindy Dodd	1	2	3	4	5	6

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## MISSIONS - TILL THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS

### Mambajao Church of Christ and CTN Ministries

Two of our beloved and blessed missions came together recently to be the hands and feet of Jesus once again. Eldon and Sue Potts and others traveled over to the Philippines to serve along side Nemesio Carbonilla and Arvin Alumios to aid with rice distribution to the elderly and Bible studies. Due to their hard work and perseverance, there are two more churches being established in the area and leaders are getting set in place to serve their community. Isn't that great news? The love and grace of Jesus Christ is growing! Hallelujah!



Special prayers are being requested for Arvin's wife, Tata. She has been suffering with a problematic goiter that has grown from 5 cm to 7 cm since her last visit. The doctors indicated that surgery is needed. Arvin has asked us to pray for them as they prepare for this surgery both spiritually and financially. Getting medical treatment is very different in their country compared to what we have here in the United States. Let us lift this up to the Lord for his divine grace and mercy to cover our sister in Christ and her family as they go through this treatment.

**Mark 11:23-24** "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. <sup>24</sup>Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

Thank you Cornerstone Prayer Warriors!

Your sister in Christ,

Dianna