

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

March 4, 2012



Revive Us Again

by Clifton Angel

*Wilt thou not **revive us again**: that thy people may rejoice in thee? Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation (Psalm 85:6, 7).* In a sermon on December 25, 2011 (visit our site at www.coldwatercofc.com), Billy Bland preached a sermon that we all need to hear and apply: “Are We in Need of a Revival?” In this sermon, brother Bland pointed out that “God is in the **reviving** business”. If we are in need of revival (and many of us are on occasion), and if we expect to receive revival, we must go to God.



The word “revive” in Psalm 85:6 means to “make alive”. Often in the KJV, we will read the word “quicken”, which carries that same definition. Jesus said, *It is the spirit that **quickeneth**; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life (John 6:63).* If we are going to be revived, we must *look to Jesus!* His Words will *revive!*

Furthermore, if we want to be revived, we need to *live in Jesus!* *And you hath he **quicken**, who were dead in trespasses and sins (Eph. 2:1).* How are we first revived to life in Jesus? *We are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life (Rom. 6:4).*

“God is in the **reviving** business”. Join hands with us as we endeavor to keep this true message ever before us and to take it to the world!

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you... (1 John 1:5).

VISITORS,
WELCOME!

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Bible Class
10:30 a.m. WORSHIP
5:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes for all ages & Pew Packers on 1st & 3rd Sundays at 4:15 p.m.

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After-Birth Atrocities

by Brad Harrub, Ph.D.

← **MUST READ**

There are certain things that you never expect to see during your own lifetime. These are things either so technologically advanced or maybe so insanely godless that you assume they will not be a reality while you still walk this earth. Well, one of those has happened. On February 23, 2012 the Journal of Medical Ethics published an article titled “After-Birth Abortion: Why Should the Baby Live?” In this article, the authors want to get rid of the term infanticide and begin using the term after-birth abortion. In the introduction of this article, the authors state: “The authors argue that what we call after-birth abortion (killing a newborn) should be permissible in all cases abortion is, including cases where the newborn is not disabled” [parenthesis in orig.].

While the thought of killing newborns may be something you never thought would happen during your lifetime, consider how desensitized Americans have become to abortion. Will our children and grandchildren become desensitized to the killing of newborn babies? The authors state: “This means that many non-human animals and mentally retarded human individuals are persons, but that all the individuals who are not in the condition of attributing any value to their own existence are not persons. Merely being a human is not in itself a reason for ascribing someone a right to life” (emp. added). Being human is special! Man was created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26), and we possess souls that will go on into eternity.

Why would men suggest we kill innocent babies? The authors declare: “The alleged right of individuals (such as fetuses and newborns) to develop their potentiality, which someone defends, is over-ridden by the interests of actual people (parents, family, society) to pursue their own well-being because, as we have just argued, merely potential people cannot be harmed by not being brought into existence. **Actual people’s well-being could be threatened by the new (even if healthy) child requiring energy, money, and care which the family might be in short supply of**” [emp. added]. In other words, if the baby is an inconvenience in any way, you should be able to kill it. Consider the words found in Proverbs 6:16, “These six things the Lord hates. Yes, seven are an abomination to Him: a proud look, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood.”

Currently our children are sitting at the feet of instructors who are teaching that man evolved from ape-like creatures. Textbooks have replaced God with naturalism and humanism. Our nation and courts have tried their best to outlaw and silence Jehovah God. Killing children is just the next logical step for a nation that has no absolute standard for right and wrong. While Christians must stand up and fight the atrocity of killing newborns, we must also rise up and address the root of the problem—the reality that God exists and our nation will not stand without Him. The inspired psalmist stated, “The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God” (Psalm 9:17). We need to remind our communities, coworkers, friends and family,...

...“Righteousness exalts a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people” (Proverbs 14:34). It is time we teach our children they were created by God, humble ourselves, and seek Him. “If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land” (2 Chronicles 7:14).

Sermon Review

A RECIPE FOR DISASTER

(Numbers 11)

- I. DISCONTENTMENT
- II. DISCOURAGEMENT
- III. DOUBT.
- IV. DISPLEASURE.

Introduction to Deuteronomy

- I. Name
- II. Author
- III. Purpose
- IV. Lessons

This Week's Daily Bible Reading:

Sunday:	Deuteronomy 14-16
Monday:	Deuteronomy 17-20
Tuesday:	Deuteronomy 21-23
Wednesday:	Deuteronomy 24-27
Thursday:	Deuteronomy 28-29
Friday:	Deuteronomy 30-31
Saturday:	Deuteronomy 32-34

Mark Your Calendars!

Coldwater VBS

June 10 - 14

Sardis Lake Christian Camp

June 17 - 23

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Wilkes, Sr. and Ratliff families were not able to be with us Wednesday because of various ailments.

Shirley Yarbro

Sue Cobern

Wiley Tuggle & Betty Tuggle.

**Far East Missions
OpenDoor Ministry
Fishers of Men**

***See below for an update on Eli Williams. You can also visit the Facebook page: "Praying for Eli Williams"

Family & Friends

Sherry Brown. Terry DeBerry, wife of MSOP student, is scheduled to have a kidney transplant. **Sam Dickson. Connie Streiber**, Ray Maples asked us to send her cards of encouragement. **Nicole Blagburn**, co-worker of Molly, has been diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of 30. **Lajuan Collums**, battling pneumonia and other health problems. **Aubree Harris**, daughter of co-worker of Molly. **Chuck Tharp**, prostate cancer. **Eli Williams**, and his cancer treatment; His treatment has caused him to drop a good bit of weight. He and his family need our continual prayers. **Missy Kelsay**, battling cancer. **Kyle Ellis**, co-worker of Andy; and his family. **Wes**, brother of Deb Peeler, has cancer. **Renee Loya**, (cousin of Elizabeth Baker), has MS. **Ray Maples** undergoing chemo-therapy for leukemia. **Janie Brister** has multiple health problems. **Larry Morgan; Michael Bray; Leon Going; McElroy Family; Harvey Tuggle; Charlie McAllister; Virginia Mayfield; Peyton Harville; Charles Easley; James Angel; Gloria Angel; Bob Spurlin; David Bragg.**

March Birthdays

3/9 -- Ginger Bayless
3/14 -- Brianna Davis
3/18 -- Betty Duke
3/21 -- Ella Brown
3/24 -- Johnny Bayless
3/30 -- Joe Davis
3/30 -- Beau Davis
3/31 -- Beverly Hayes

March Anniversary

3/29 -- Herbert & Helen Bowman

Get Involved!

Daily Bible Reading Calendar 2012

Let's continue to read and study together!!

Sunday Night for the Savior -- TONIGHT

Contacts & Finger Foods.

March Bible Bowl -- March 10

10:30AM @ Looxahoma -- Acts 17-19

Providence Place Devo -- March 11, 2PM

MSOP Lectures -- March 25 - 29

Theme: "In God We Trust"

Youth Egg Hunt -- March 31 -- 11:30 AM

Privileged to Serve

Sunday, March 4

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Johnny Bayless
Announcements	Jared Brown
Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Caleb Baker
	Jim Jackson
Assist	Payton Jackson
	Ron Johnson
Opening Prayer	Jerry Davis
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.

Evening

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Opening Prayer	Jason Bayless
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Caleb Baker
	Ron Johnson
Closing Prayer	Billy Bland

Wednesday, March 7

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Prayer	Jeffrey Ferrell
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Jared Brown