

The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

June 17, 2018



“Shrek the sheep” was away from the fold for six years. He was found in a cave and his wool coat was massive (pictured above). Once he was shorn, the wool coat weighed in at about 60 pounds. I am told that an average coat is only allowed to grow to about 10 pounds before the sheep is shorn, and sometimes one might reach 15 pounds. Because Shrek had wandered from his shepherd, he eventually developed a burden six times that of the norm.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He said, “I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the ...

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

1:00 p.m. WORSHIP

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

We have Bible classes for all ages & fellowship for lunch every Sunday!

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Tim Wilkes, II John Wofford

PREACHER

Clifton Angel

... sheep. ... I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd" (John 10:11, 14-16). If we wander from His fold, we will first and foremost have the greatest burden of all—sin. As long as we are away from the Good Shepherd, our sin cannot be removed. Furthermore, there are physical burdens of this world. Being a faithful sheep in the fold of Jesus does not mean that all of these physical burdens will go away, but they will be much easier for us to bear. For, it is then that we have One upon Whom we can cast all of our cares (see 1 Peter 5:7). The Good Shepherd has said, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls" (Matthew 11:28-29).

If you are one of Jesus' sheep, I exhort you not to wander from Him. Furthermore, I exhort you to reach out to those who have wandered and to those who have yet to hear the Good Shepherd's "voice" (John 10:16). Maybe you are one that is not of the fold of God. Can we study with you? Will you consider the evidence for Jesus being the Son of God? You can then believe, repent, confess, and be baptized as the Good Shepherd has commanded. He will add you to His fold, the church (Acts 2:47). And you can live faithfully, to never wander again. **Have you wandered?**

PSALM 139, ASV

O Jehovah, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising; Thou understandest my thought afar off.

Thou searchest out my path and my lying down, And art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, But, lo, O Jehovah, thou knowest it altogether. Thou hast beset me behind and before, And laid thy hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain unto it. Whither shall I go from thy Spirit? Or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; Even there shall thy hand lead me, And thy right hand shall hold me. If I say, Surely the darkness shall overwhelm me, And the light about me shall be night; Even the darkness hideth not from thee, But the night shineth as the day: The darkness and the light are both alike to thee. For thou didst form my inward parts: Thou didst cover me in my mother's womb. I will give thanks unto thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: Wonderful are thy works; And that my soul knoweth right well. My frame was not hidden from thee, When I was made in secret, And curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see mine unformed substance; And in thy book they were all written. Even the days that were ordained for me, When as yet there was none of them. How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! How great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: When I awake, I am still with thee. Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: Depart from me therefore, ye bloodthirsty men. For they speak against thee wickedly, And thine enemies take thy name in vain. Do not I hate them, O Jehovah, that hate thee? And am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee? I hate them with perfect hatred: They are become mine enemies. Search me, O God, and know my heart: Try me, and know my thoughts; And see if there be any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

UPCOMING EVENTS in the AREA

June 25 - 27	Looxahoma VBS
July 4 - 6	Independence VBS
July 9 - 13	Nesbit VBS
July 23 - 25	Crockett VBS
July 20 - 21	POWER Youth Rally
July 22 - 26	POWER Lectureship

See bulletin board for flyers with more details

NEWS & NOTES

Please Pray

Tim Wilkes, Sr; Ginna Honeycutt; Sammy Williams; Wiley Tuggle; Clarence & Faye Edwards; 2 mission trips upcoming in July — Philippines & Panama.

**Far East Missions
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Family & Friends

Cindy Geater, Ashley's mom, injured her knee and has been battling shingles; **Don Walker**, in need of heart transplant; **Richard Allen**, former elder and mentor to Clifton, major health issues that put him in ICU for a while, he is improving; **Becky Williams**, Sammy's sister in law.

Birthdays

6/3 Amanda Ferrell	6/13 Melaney Ferrell
6/6 Betty Culbreath	6/18 Grace Williams
6/6 Bodie Meredith	6/21 Tim Meredith

Anniversaries

6/3	Clarence & Faye Edwards
6/3	Carl & Ginna Honeycutt
6/4	Larry & Joyce Campbell
6/5	Andy & Molly Ratliff
6/8	Caleb & Elizabeth Baker
6/20	Carl & Mary Zluticky
6/26	Jeffrey & Amanda Ferrell
6/28	Jim & Mischel Jackson

Get Involved!

SLCC — June 17 — 23

Register ASAP @ sardislakechristiancamp.org

Looxahoma VBS: June 25 — 27, 7 PM

Sen. Health & Rehab Devo: June 27, 10 AM

Coldwater Singing Night: June 27, 7 PM

POWER Youth Rally — July 20 — 21

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POWER Lectures — July 22 — 26

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Privileged to Serve

Sunday, June 17

Morning

Prayer Before Class	Billy Bland
Announcements	Jason Bayless
Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Jeffrey Ferrell
	Jim Jackson
Assist	Will Brooks
	Davis Johnson
Opening Prayer	Tim Wilkes, II
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Seth Daniel

Afternoon

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Opening Prayer	John Wofford
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Jim Jackson
	Davis Johnson
	Tim Meredith
Closing Prayer	

Wednesday, June 20

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Prayer	John Wofford
Invitation	Noah Davis
Prayer	Joe Owen

TECH:	Daniel Owen
HALL:	Andy & Molly Ratliff