

# The Messenger

COLDWATER CHURCH OF CHRIST

Dec 28, 2014



## From the Elders:

Mid-week service will be on Tuesday @ 7 PM for the last week of December (12/30).



Has anyone ever betrayed you? Are you currently holding a grudge against someone that has betrayed you? A former friend? A family member? A brother or sister in Christ? Have you betrayed someone? Jesus died for them. Jesus died for you. ...

*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 & Pew Packers each Sunday at 12:30

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### ELDERS

Billy Bland  
Seth Daniel  
Jim Jackson  
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### DEACONS

Jason Bayless Jared Brown  
Jerry Davis Jeffrey Ferrell  
Ron Johnson Andy Ratliff  
Joe Owen Tim Wilkes, II

### PREACHER

Clifton Angel

Because Jesus died for the treacherous.

One of the greatest ironies in all of Scripture is the fact that Jesus died for those who put Him to death. He died for every person surrounding the crucifixion event. Yes, Jesus even died for the treacherous Judas Iscariot. “When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples. And Judas also, **which betrayed him**, knew the place: for Jesus oftentimes resorted thither with his disciples. Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons. Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye? They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am he. And Judas also, **which betrayed him**, stood with them” (John 18:1-5).

Judas Iscariot was Jesus’ treasurer. He was a greedy man. And he thought he was going to be the treasurer for the most wealthy and powerful nation on earth—the Jesus nation, or kingdom. Judas, like Peter and the other disciples, thought their Messiah was coming to establish a physical kingdom on earth. They thought Jesus was going to lead them in a victorious revolt against Rome. Once successful, Judas Iscariot would be one of the richest and most important men on earth. Such ideas were never in the mind of God. God’s eternal purpose was to build a spiritual kingdom—the church (Ephesians 3:10-11). Sadly, many still believe and teach a physical, earthly kingdom. It is this very idea that led to strife between brothers (James and John), Peter’s denial, and Judas’ betrayal.

Jesus died for these, just like Jesus died for you and me.

Yes, Jesus died for Judas Iscariot, **which betrayed him**. Sadly, Judas never chose Jesus. Therefore, Judas will never receive the benefits of Jesus' vicarious death. However, if you are reading this article and have betrayed Jesus, be assured—He died for you. Now, choose Jesus.

*—written by Clifton Angel*

### UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

1. New Year's Youth Lock-In at Thyatira  
For youth, 6th grade & up, and any adults that would like to help chaperone. Intentions are to go to SkyZone, then rendezvous at Thyatira church building for devotionals, fun, & games throughout the night & morning.
2. Jan 17: Bible Bowl @ Independence  
4 pm, Genesis 43–45

REMEMBER NOW THY  
**CREATOR** Ecclesiastes 12:1

*Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews. For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?*

*(Esther 4:13–14)*

# NEWS & NOTES

## Please Pray

**Mr. Bob Jones**, had to go to hospital last week, doing better, but has had bout of gout also; **Several** traveling; **Wiley & Betty Tuggle**; **Helen Bowman**.

**NetCasters**  
**Fishers of Men**  
**Far East Missions**

## Family & Friends

**Jimmy Colvett**, in loss of Janet; **Tyler Smart**; **Jason Spencer**, several serious health problems & loss of wife and son this year; **Bill Fleming**, Billie Martin's father; **Joy Angel**; **John Smith**, Grace's brother-in-law, colon cancer; **Andrew Jones**, friend to Weslyn, battling cancer; **Elizabeth Baker**; **John & Anita Simpson** and family; **Paul Perkins**, Mischel's father; **Janie Brister**; **Ray Hendrix**, lymphoma; **Carole Livsey**, Clifton's aunt, lymphoma; **Trent Childers**; **Amanda Cummings**, young mother with cancer; **Danielle Key**, young mother with cancer; **Andy's grandmother**; **Carla Carlson**; **Ava Roten**; **Brett Rutherford**; **Frankie Burfield**, cancer; **Jack Higginbotham**; **Tasha Higginbotham**; **Lauren Harrell**, breast cancer treatments; **James Cooper**, Jan's brother, cancer; **Marie Sims**; **Renee Loya**, Parkinson's, MS, & dystonia; **Eli Williams**; **Ray Maples**; **Martha Hatfield**, Lynn's grandmother, cancer; **Virginia Johnson**, lung cancer; **Mac Owen**; **Bob Spurlin**; **Ally Jo Kelly**; **Brad & Sheri Daniel**.

## Birthdays

12/17	Kaiden Ferrell
12/22	Dalton Owen
12/23	Jeremy Moore
12/24	Daniel Owen
12/30	Renee Davis

## Anniversaries

12/13	Jerry & Renee Davis
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## Get Involved!

### **Singing Night on Tuesday Dec 31, 7 PM**

No service on Wednesday, 12/31

### **New Year's Party — Dec 31 — 6:30 PM**

At the home of Chris & Billie Martin, bring finger foods & card/board games—Everyone invited!

### **New Year's Youth Lock-In at Thyatira — Dec 31**

See inside for details

### **Men's Planning & Prayer Breakfast — Jan 3**

9 AM @ Clifton's house, signup sheet in foyer

### **New Quarter Beginning — Jan 4**

Jared Brown needs teachers

### **Bible Bowl — Jan 17 — 4 PM**

At Independence, Genesis 43 – 45

## Privileged to Serve

### Sunday, December 28

#### Morning

Prayer Before Class	Billy Bland
Announcements	Jason Bayless
Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Lord's Supper:	
Preside	Jim Jackson
	Jerry Davis
Assist	Payton Jackson
	Davis Johnson
Opening Prayer	Russell Wadsworth
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Closing Prayer	Timothy Wilkes, Sr.

#### Afternoon

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Opening Prayer	Ron Johnson
Sermon	Clifton Angel
Lord's Supper	Jerry Davis
	Jim Jackson
Closing Prayer	Jeffrey Ferrell

### Tuesday, December 30

Song Leader	Andy Ratliff
Prayer	Jared Brown
Invitation	Clifton Angel
Prayer	Tim Wilkes, II