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“Wisdom”

“She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her.”

- Proverbs 3:18 -

From the Pastor's Pen...

“Growing as a Pastor, Part VI”

Excerpt from “*My Spiritual Journey*”



The Lord has done great things for us and we are glad. Over the last 30 years, God has done more than I could have ever imagined. We have grown in every area

of ministry. He has provided the resources to do all of the ministries He has called us to carry out.

This is not to say that we have arrived, we still have plenty of growing to do. We are not perfect and have made some mistakes along the way. I am so glad that the Lord looks beyond our faults and see our needs.

No matter how hard we try - we fall short in our trying. God has given us free will, we can choose to do right or we can choose to do wrong. Many times we just do not make the right choices.

But we have some good news - God will meet us with His mercy, grace and forgiveness in our place of failure.

When Adam and Eve fell short in the Garden of Eden, God met them in their sin. He met them in their place of failure.

When the Lord met Adam, he was hiding, naked and consumed with fear. Adam and Eve, by their own free will, chose to disobey God. Now they have moved from innocence to consciousness - from fellowship with God to disunion. But God met them there, in their sin, in their place of failure. He provided clothes for them, but they were punished for their sin.

And we too will be punished for our sins. But we must not forget, “whom the Lord loves, He chastens.” The Lord met Adam and Eve in the place of failure with the promise of future redemption.

We all fall short sometimes - we all at times, hide out in our place of failure. But thank God for Jesus who

meets us in our place of sin, and when we repent, He restores, forgives and places us back in fellowship with Him. Who wouldn't serve a God like that?

Union Chapel is a country church located in the city. We have a loving congregation, one of the most loving churches in the world. There is nothing Union Chapel won't do if one is in need. We consider ourselves a *word church*. We believe in teaching the word. Only the Lord knows where we will go from here. All I know is I thank the Lord every day for calling me and giving me a place to preach.

Each congregation where I served contributed to my spiritual growth. Each church, in its own unique way, provided spiritual nurture for my journey. But Union Chapel stands out because of the tremendous blessings that God has bestowed upon us over the past 30 years. I am very much aware of the fact that God could have chosen anybody, but He chose me! For this blessings, I am eternally grateful.

I plan to spend the rest of my life working in Christian ministry, and will continue to prepare myself to meet the needs of the people in our Church, community, city, state and nation. It is also my desire to train men and women to do the work of the ministry in the local church and community.

Finally, we have been blessed to serve with many great Christians over the years. I have gained much wisdom from the seasoned saints with whom we have worked.

My spiritual journey is not over. There is much more to learn. So, I say along with the slaves who were set free after the civil war, “wouldn't take nothing for my journey now.” The rest of my story is yet untold!

~Pastor O. Wendell Davis

New to Our Church Family

We welcome you, with the joy of the Lord, to the Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church family! It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened as we learn and grow together. We invite you to explore the ministries of the church and ask God to show you where He wants you to get connected.

We are truly excited you are here:



Miracle Burwell



Skylar Priest

Let's Study Together

BIBLE STUDY

Join us every Wednesday

12 Noon

Mid-Day Bible Study

Boone-Lacy Memorial Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Study

Boone-Lacy Fellowship Hall

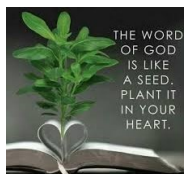
Youth Bible Study

Basement

Collegiate Bible Study

Conference Room

(Former Library)



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us every Sunday at 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

"Called to God's Work of Justice"

- 05.03 A Vision of Restoration
(Zaphaniah 3:14-20)
- 05.10 Peace and Justice Reign
(Zechariah 8:1-8, 11-17)
- 05.17 Practice Justice
(Jeremiah 21:8-14)
- 05.24 Repent of Injustice
(Jeremiah 22:1-10)
- 05.31 Return to Love and Justice
(Hosea 11:1-2, 7-10; 12:1-2, 6-4)

We Celebrate You...



Congratulations to *Zachary T. Bone*, a senior at Buckhorn High School, who has been accepted into the West Point Military Academy. *Zachary* received a congressional nomination from Senator Richard Shelby.

Zachary is the son of Avitra and Cary Bone and the grandson of Harry T. Bone.



Congratulations to *Farrah Sanders*, who was selected as one of the recipients of the 2020 Distinguished Leader Award at the University of Alabama. *Farrah* is graduating with a degree in Journalism and Creative Media with a specialization in Sports Media.

Farrah is the daughter of Cornealia and Dwayne Sanders.

After the Cap and Gown



Adrienne Savage, daughter of Ministers Toni and Julian Savage

Education:

University of Alabama Honors College – Bachelor of Education in Human Performance and Exercise Science pre-medical track

University of Alabama at Birmingham – Master of Science in Biomedical and Health Sciences

Career:

My first hands-on medical experience was as a 14-year-old hospital volunteer.

I learned to do things like take vitals and interpret basic charting. Soon after this I joined a surgery shadowing program that further solidified my career choice.

After moving to Tuscaloosa for college, I had the opportunity to intern for three years with a trusted and established organization on the University of Alabama's campus called Project Health. I conducted peer health education and outreach on various health topics and eventually became the Public Relations Coordinator. I have experience as a cardiovascular technician where, I performed a variety of patient care activities to assist physicians and nursing personnel, such as obtain and understand medication lists and vital signs, modify medical histories, and execute electrocardiograms.

While in Birmingham, I've served as an American Red Cross Ambassador for Veterans of America. I act as an adjunct to the women's clinic medical team during examinations and/or procedures for Veterans. I also intern at the UAB Hospital internal medicine department assisting physicians with various bedside operations such as paracenteses, thoracenteses, ultrasounds, and lumbar punctures.

Goals

My ultimate career goal is to become a physician with a specialty in neonatal surgery. This led to my interest in healthcare, science, and research, specifically reproduction, genetics, perinatal, and obstetrics. My involvement with cardiac medicine has also grown my enthusiasm in the concentration of cardiovascular and pulmonary disease.