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**DAILY
 BIBLE
 READING**

Isaiah 66:1-24
 Psalm 23
 Psalm 32
 Psalm 34
 Psalm 103
 Psalm 107:1-16
 Psalm 107:17-43

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

July 11

Cheryl Bowles, Margaret Harris

Cortney Holloway



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Road Trip



Obadiah Philemon 2-3 John Jude

SUNDAY, JULY 11

Deacon's Meeting 8:00 AM

Sunday School 9:00 - 9:45 AM

Worship Service 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Quarterly Business Session 5:00 PM

ADULT EXERCISE WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, 8:30 A.M.

YOUTH TO SUPER SUMMER (12-16)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

- Prayer Meeting (6:00-7:00 PM)
 Supper (Chick-Fila Sandwiches, Chips, Dessert)
 Call the office to make a reservation.
- No Youth Activities
- KidMin to McLain Safari 1:00—7:00 p.m.
- Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m.

LOVE OUT LOUD MERIDIAN July 18-23

FROM OUR CHIEF OF STAFF...

The College World Series and Spiritual Gifts

To paraphrase Mike Royko (newspaper columnist for the Chicago Sun Times) "Mississippi State sports fans are 90% scar tissue". That has certainly described me enduring the times when the basketball team was not allowed to play in the tournament due to segregation and the "unwritten rule", a football for the winning field goal went through the goal posts but was blown back onto the field, a tournament changing injury during the 1985 College World Series, and any number of improbable events over the years. What happened to North Carolina State this year is usually what happened to us. To actually win a national championship was beyond miraculous to the scar tissue fans of Mississippi State. However, this article is about spiritual gifts and a lesson I learned from the College World Series.

The lesson I learned occurred in the final game between Texas and Mississippi State the winner of which would head to the championship series against Vanderbilt. The game was tied 3-3 in the bottom of the 9th inning with both relief pitchers approaching the limits of their energy. The bottom half of the final inning is described below.

1. Brad Cumbest struck out.
2. Kellum Clark was hit by a pitch.
3. Brayland Skinner pinch ran for Kellum Clark.
4. Brayland Skinner stole 2nd base.
5. Tanner Leggett hit a single, Brayland Skinner scored, and the rest is history.

So, Rick, exactly what did you learn? Well, let me tell you what I learned he said. Both Brayland Skinner and Tanner Leggett had once been in the starting lineup but had been replaced due to deficiencies in their abilities to hit. Both were replaced by players who could contribute offensively. Both players adjusted to their new roles, continued to practice as hard as anyone else and stayed prepared to help the team with their skills when needed. Had they not combined their talents in the bottom of the 9th inning it is very likely that Mississippi State would never have played Vanderbilt, and the scar tissue would have continued to grow.

Churches are filled with members with varying talents, skills and spiritual gifts. I am not an expert on spiritual gifts, but I do know that every believer has at least one and is expected to use it to help advance the Kingdom of God. Some have impressive and visible gifts; others have less visible and dramatic gifts; but all are expected to use these gifts.

My encouragement to you is to "be a Brayland or Tanner", God may have a job he wants you to perform. You never know what can happen if you are prepared.

ANNIVERSARIES

This month David Hopkins begins his 3rd year as our Senior Pastor and Allan Singletary begins his 8th year as our Building and Grounds Superintendent.

HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS/HONORS

IN MEMORY OF TIM SNOWDEN:

Designated to Capital Improvements by:

- Phyllis, Terry and Blanche Walker
- Bill Duke
- Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Fleming
- Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gurley
- Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carver
- Dr. and Mrs. Richard Abney
- Mr. and Mrs. Robby Dreyfus
- Sharon McMullen
- Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Snowden
- Mr. and Mrs. Billy Blaine
- Mrs. Lyn Hailey
- Wayne and Lynda Anders
- Tommy and Linda Vincent
- Leonard and Betsy Cobb

IN MEMORY OF MRS. FRANCES WHITE:

- Designated to the Music Ministry by Mr. and Mrs. Duffee Williams
- Designated to Capital Improvements by Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Fleming

IN MEMORY OF PAUL BARKLEY:

- Designated to the Music Ministry by Highland Baptist Church
- Designated to the Music Ministry by Mrs. Lyn Hailey

IN HONOR OF CLINT JACKSON Designated to the Youth Ministry
IN HONOR OF THE SANCTUARY DECORATION COMMITTEE

Designated to Capital Improvements

IN HONOR OF MRS. SHERRY SNOWDEN

- Designated to Capital Improvements
- By Mrs. Lyn Hailey

A. D. SHIRLEY ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS

The following high school students were awarded an

- A. D. Shirley Encouragement Award Scholarship:
Chloe Lang, Sophia Lang, Allyn McCary

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:

- ...the family of Paul Barkley.
- ...the family of Mrs. Janice Blakey.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers today are in memory of Jimmy McCay given by his family.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT JUNE 27, 2021/JULY 4, 2021

Budget	24,067.04/25,458.45	CDC Req. to date	630,236.16
Child Development Center	94,241.00/ .00	(27@ 23,342.08)	
Designated	13,006.55/ 501.00	CDC Receipts to date	614,592.35
Total	131,314.59/25,949.45	SUNDAY SCHOOL	228/196
Budget Req. to date (27@ 23,309.06)	629,344.62	MORNING WORSHIP	240/227
Budget Receipts to date	640,253.36		