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**DAILY BIBLE READING**

January 23  
 January 24  
 January 25  
 January 26  
 January 27  
 January 28  
 January 29

2 Corinthians 8:1-15  
 2 Corinthians 8:16-24  
 2 Corinthians 9:1-15  
 2 Corinthians 10:1-18  
 2 Corinthians 11:1-15  
 2 Corinthians 11:16-33  
 2 Corinthians 12:1-10



**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**  
**JANUARY 23**  
*Vicki Mathis, Wanda Clay*  
*Brent and Katie Gough*



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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 23**

<b><u>Sunday School</u></b>	9:00 - 9:45 AM
<b><u>Worship Service</u></b>	10:00 –11:00 AM
<b><u>Finance Committee Meeting</u></b>	11:00 AM
<b><u>Property Committee Meeting</u></b>	11:00 AM
<b><u>Youth Sunday School Teacher’s Meeting</u></b>	5:00 PM

**MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY Adult Exercise at 8:30 AM**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26**

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM  
 MENU: Chicken Harvest Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Salad, Dessert,  
 CHILDREN’S MENU: Hot Dogs or Chicken Nuggets
- Prayer Meeting (6:00 PM)
- Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)
- Kidz WOW (6:00-7:00 PM)
- Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00 PM)

**East Mississippi  
 Church Revitalization Conference**  
**January 28—7:00 pm** Preconference dinner at 6:00 pm  
**January 29—8:00 am-12:00 pm**

**Highland Baptist Church, Meridian**  
**Provided by the churches**  
**of the Lauderdale Baptist Association**  
**Register at [lbams.org/revitalization](http://lbams.org/revitalization)**

## FROM OUR YOUTH PASTOR....

This past weekend brought with it something many of us "Mississippians" are not too familiar with. It is beautiful to see, fun to play with, but has the capability to completely shut down our world for a time. This happens once every year or so here in Mississippi and it's something I get excited to see it show up and just as excited to see it go. This event I am speaking of is snow. On Sunday morning, I woke up around 6:00 to get ready to go to church and when I went to take the dog out, I realized I couldn't see grass in the back yard. All I could see was a white blanket. I immediately got excited. I chose to wait a few minutes before waking up my wife and daughter so they could sleep just a little longer. After waking them up, we had to go outside and play. Of course, due to road situations, we elected to postpone our Sunday gatherings for a week, and this gave my little family plenty of time to play in the snow. I would like to share two take-aways I gathered from spending time with Leia in the snow this past weekend.

First, sometimes what we want right now is not what we want in the future. As I was playing with Susanna, Leia, and Roxy (the dog) yesterday morning, Leia couldn't make up her mind as to whether she wanted to continue playing outside. You see, Leia absolutely LOVES the snow but just as much HATES the cold. We would go outside and play for 15 or so minutes then have to go inside and warm up for a while then she would want to go play again then we'd have to go inside and warm up. As I was thinking through this after helping put on her coat for about the 10<sup>th</sup> time yesterday, Psalm 37:4 came to mind. It says, "Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart." So often in our lives, we pursue the thing of this world, the things we think we want, without pursuing God first and in that situation, when we finally gain what we want, we realize it does not fulfill us. Leia thought she wanted to play in the snow, then thought she wanted to go inside, then thought she wanted to play in the snow, then thought she wanted to go inside, and so on... Pursue God above all else and His desires will become ours.

The second life lesson from playing with Leia in the snow is God is in control. Last night, after the sun had set and it was getting close to her bedtime, she wanted to walk about outside and look at the snow. She immediately became disheartened at the fact that the snow was going away and asked if it would snow again tomorrow. I got to explain to her that God allowed it to snow today because he knew we needed it. It snowed because God told the snow to fall. Then I shared with Leia one of my favorite verses in scripture: Romans 8:28. It says, "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose." I know Paul didn't write this about the weather, but I was able to use the snow as a conduit to telling Leia about how God is in control of all things, and if we allow Him, all things that happen will be used for our good. This is a reminder we all need to hear. Whatever the circumstances, when we surrender them to God, he WILL use them for His glory and our good.

### HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIALS

IN MEMORY OF MRS. ANN JOYNER:

Designated to the Crisis Center by the Faye Poe Sunday School Class

IN MEMORY OF CLARK JENKINS:

Designated to the Youth Ministry by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Glardon

## Online Giving



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TEXT GIVING. The number for text giving is 601-340-9409.

### CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:

...Mrs. Mary Ann Kelley and Mrs. Cindy Ross and family in the death of their sister and aunt.

...Robbie Knight and Mrs. Kelsi Harmon and family in the death of their brother and uncle.

### A THANK YOU NOTE HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM:

...Mississippi Baptist Disaster Relief.

# SERVE SUNDAY

JOHN 13:34-35

**JANUARY 30**  
following the morning  
worship service

**Bingo and Valentine's  
Tea at  
Assisted Living Facilities.**

**How can you help?  
Join us January 30 as we  
visit these facilities.**

**DONATE: Bingo Prizes:  
Toilet Paper, Paper Towels,  
Clorox Wipes, Small  
Hand Lotions (Curel, Lubri-  
derm) Boxes of Kleenex,  
Notepads, Pens, Stamps,  
Word Search Puzzle Books,  
Sugar-Free Valentine's  
Candy, Any Sugar-Free  
Candy**

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT JANUARY 9/16, 2022

Budget	22,901.47/ 4,060.50	CDC Req. to date	75,327.00
Child Development Center	.00/ .00	(3@ 25,109.00)	
Designated	1,713.45 / 3,044.24	CDC Receipts to date	.00
Total	24,614.92/ 7,104.74	LOTTIE MOON OFFERING	44,635.10
Budget Req. to date (3@ 23,996.67)	71,990.01	SUNDAY SCHOOL	188/ 0
Budget Receipts to date	35,033.97	MORNING WORSHIP	228/ 0