

# Tallapoosa church of Christ

"And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32

### Welcome Visitors

We are blessed by your attendance and worshipping with us.

### Prayer Request

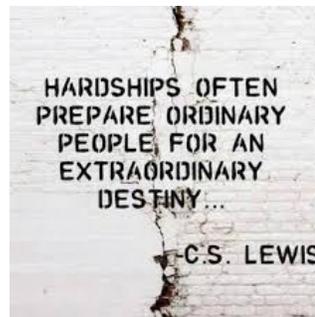
Otwell Family  
Jason Rowell  
Teddy Cauthen  
Maddox Willingham  
Pete Bridges  
Ann Smith

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

Amy Mallory	1
Hal Cash	2
Caden Mallory	18
Joyce Combs	31
Edward and Kitty Shaw	7

## Adversity Makes you Bitter or Better Dan Jenkins

David makes some truly amazing statements in Psalms which allows us to look into his heart and learn why he was so special to God. How do we become what he was since God has such high regard for him even from his youth? His words express the kind of heart he had. If we spend time making his words our words we will be changed. Perhaps we, too, can be described as a "man after God's own heart."



Lemons to lemonade!

Both first and second Samuel tell us about the life of David and all the trials he faced. They began shortly after he killed Goliath when jealous King Saul sought to take his life. He gained the favor of the people around him, and the evil king sent his army to kill David. He almost did not become king as that army was almost successful

**TRUST  
IN THE  
LORD  
WITH ALL  
YOUR**   
{proverbs 3:5 }

**God's Plan of Salvation**

1. Hearing the Word of God (Rom. 10:17; Acts 16:32)
2. Believe what is taught (Mark 16:16; Heb 11:6)
3. Repentance (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30)
4. Confession (Acts 8:37; Rom. 10:9-10)
5. Baptism (1Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Rom. 6:3-4)
6. After the above five steps, faithful

**This Week Leading Worship:**

Sunday Morning:



Announcements	Kelly Cauthen
Scripture	Brennan Mallory
Song Leader	Cory Payne
Opening Prayer	Alan Wilkerson
Table	Joe Mallory
	Tony Hotalen
Assisting	Korbin Cauthen
	Shane Buchanan
Closing Prayer	Steve Cole

Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Joe Mallory
Scripture	Caden Mallory
Song Leader	Harel Otwell
Opening Prayer/Table	Carlos Payne
Closing Prayer	Kenny Laminack

**Next Week Leading Worship:**

Sunday Morning:



Announcements	Alan Wilkerson
Scripture	Camp Mallory
Song Leader	Harel Otwell
Opening Prayer	Jeremy Isabell
Table	Carlos Payne
	Steve Cole
Assisting	Troy Stapler
	Brandon Estvanko
Closing Prayer	Brennan Mallory

Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Cory Payne
Scripture	Tony Hotalen
Song Leader	Caden Mallory
Opening Prayer/Table	Wayne Aldridge
Closing Prayer	Alan Wilkerson

in taking the life of the young “giant killer.” His friendship with Saul’s son, Jonathan, often enabled him to escape. Years later, David again had immeasurable adversity when his own son led a rebellion against him.

So, how did he view such trials? Read his words, and they may change how you look at life. David said, “It is good that I was afflicted.” Our first reaction is that such could not be right! How on earth could any suffering be seen as good? Read the rest of the verse. David said, “It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I might learn your statutes” ([Psalm 119:71](#)). David understood a lesson which each of us should learn early in our life. If our life has little misery and adversity, we tend to ignore God for we have little need of Him. On the other hand, adversity provides us the opportunity to come closer to God. How we respond to such trials shows the kind of heart we have. It is so important to learn that adversity makes us bitter or better.

The apostle Paul understood this same truth. In his second letter to Corinth, he gave a list of many of the trials he had endured, then he said, “Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ’s sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong” (2 Cor. 12:10). Read the verse again—infirmitities, reproaches, needs, persecutions, distresses. Pleasure in all of this? How strange! But, what insight David and Paul had into how to deal with all that life brings.

How do you decide what things are good and what things are bad in your life? Here is a rule which might change your whole view of life. Anything which draws me closer to God is good, and anything which keeps me from God is evil.

So, let me ask you, any good thing happening in your life right now? Think about it.

### **Reminders:**

Check bulletin board in foyer or website

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Sunday Bible study: 10AM

Sunday Worship: 11AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 5PM

Wednesday Bible study: 7PM

Joe Mallory, Minister

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Cory Payne, Bulletin

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