



Tallapoosa church of Christ

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

Welcome Visitors

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We are blessed by your attendance and worshipping with us.

Prayer Request

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- Jason Rowell
- Teddy Cauthen
- Maddox Willingham
- Pete Bridges
- Jeremy and Candyce
- Arlene Davis (Hanna's mom)
- Linda Rider
- Pat Blumer
- Barbara McElroy
- Betty Mae Mallory
- Alan Wilkerson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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- Martha Payne 3
- Alan Wilkerson 5
- Shelia Hotalen 10
- Harel Otwell 24
- Jeremy Isabell 26
- Alison Benefield 29
- Camp Mallory 31

Fried Worms

What's with all the worms?!? Especially those of the half-baked to extra-crispy and overly-crunchy variety found fried to death on the concrete sidewalks around the church building of late? What is it that causes so many worms to suddenly seek to make the journey out of and away from the soft, moist, muddy soil which protects and preserves them, up onto the unforgiving and sun baked concrete which then summarily cooks and kills them? What is the draw that makes them want to leave the shelter of the grass and ground, to expose themselves that openly to the birds who prey on them? Does the grass truly appear that much greener on the other side? Is the warmth of the concrete really so appealing to them that they just have to experience it – despite the slowly immobilizing, petrifying, and (presumably) painful and putrefying death it inevitably brings upon them? Can they not see the crippled, crusty, and crunchy corpses of their extended family members who tried it before them strewn all over the same sun baked surface?



Will you be just another fried worm?

Now of course I am applying human wisdom and the

I AM
the LORD
your God...
You shall have
NO
other gods
before Me.



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 (1 Peter 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	Cory Payne
Scripture	Camp Mallory
Song Leader	Harel Otwell
Opening Prayer	Joe Mallory
Table	Kelly Cauthen
	Tony Hotalen
Assisting	Shane Buchanan
	Brennan Mallory
Closing Prayer	Brandon Estvanko

Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Joe Mallory
Scripture	Cory Payne
Song Leader	Caden Mallory
Opening Prayer/Table	Carlos Payne
Closing Prayer	Tony Hotalen

Next Week Leading Worship:

Sunday Morning:

Announcements	Kelly Cauthen
Scripture	Brennan Mallory
Song Leader	Cory Payne
Opening Prayer	Tony Hotalen
Table	Joe Mallory
	Caden Mallory
Assisting	Camp Mallory
	Troy Stapler
Closing Prayer	Brandon Estvanko

Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Cory Payne
Scripture	Cody Payne
Song Leader	Harel Otwell
Opening Prayer/Table	Joe Mallory
Closing Prayer	Shane Buchanan

ability to think and reason to this situation, seeking to superimpose it onto the worm family – which cannot be done. After all, worms do not have a human brain. They cannot think and reason as we do, or, at least as we should...

You see, I cannot help but consider how similar this wormy sidewalk situation is to our fatal human attraction to sin. Although sin – like that sidewalk – may appear to be warm, inviting, and pleasurable, we both know and understand from the Scriptures as well as life in general that it is nothing more than a well-disguised death trap ([Gen. 3:1-24](#); [Isa. 59:1-2](#); [Ro. 6:23](#); [Gal. 5:19-21](#); [1 Jn. 2:15-17](#)). It only requires the most casual of observations to see the death and destruction that seeking such sinful pursuits has caused so many others – both friend, foe, family member and complete stranger alike. Those of us who truly belong to, listen to, and follow close to the great Shepherd, know that the grass cannot be greener anywhere else on earth, other than where He is and lovingly seeks to lead us ([Ps. 23:1-6](#), [100:1-5](#); [Jn. 10:1-30](#), [14:1-3](#)).

Let us let the crispy critter corpses of the once-lively worms that often litter our surrounding sidewalks be an ever-present reminder of the powerful pull and always deadly outcome of succumbing to the alluring enticements of sin... lest we eventually join them, where: “***Their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched***” ([Isa. 6:22-24](#); [Mk. 9:43-50](#)).

Doug Dingley

Reminders:

Check bulletin board

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Sunday Bible study: 10AM
 Sunday Worship: 11AM
 Sunday Afternoon: 1:30PM
 Wednesday Bible study: 7PM

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