



# 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 Requests

- .....
- Martha Payne
- Carlos Payne
- Penny Hicks
- Bonnie Godwin
- The Wilkersons
- Kenny Laminack
- Sarah Stapler
- Joyce Combs
- Shelley Vick
- SJ Hayes and family
- Jonathan and Stacy Cantrell  
(friends of the Hotalen's)

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

<b>January</b>	
Joyce Combs	31
<b>February</b>	
Kenny Laminack	4
Misty Medina	4
Leona Wilkerson	17
Anniversaries	
Hal and Brenda Cash	19

## "Stand upon the Word"

Joseph stood upon the word of God. His own brothers hated, rejected, and conspired against him for it (Gen. 37). Joseph then went through many years of pain, suffering, isolation, and even false imprisonment because of it. But despite the cost, he still continued to stand upon the word, the will, and the promises of almighty God.

Jesus stood upon the word of God. His own brothers also rejected Him and His message as well; at one point even coming with their mother to get Him so as to silence His spreading of the word which God had given Him (Jn. 7:1-5; Mk. 3:21, 31-35). But despite the cost, He still continued to take his stand upon the word, the will, and the promises of almighty God as well.



January 30, 2022

**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 ( Christian living (1 Peter 2:11-12; Rev. 2:10)

**This Week Leading Worship:**

Sunday Morning:

Announcements	Tony Hotalen
Scripture	Camp Mallory
Song Leader	Harel Otwell
Opening Prayer	Brennan Mallory
Table	Kenny Laminack
Assisting	Korbin Cauthen
Closing Prayer	Joe Mallory

Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Joe Mallory
Song Leader	Camp Mallory
Opening Prayer/Table	Harel Otwell
Closing Prayer	Brennan Mallory

**Next Week Leading Worship:**

Sunday Morning:

Announcements	Kelly Cauthen
Scripture	Korbin Cauthen
Song Leader	Brennan Mallory
Opening Prayer	Tony Hotalen
Table	Brandon Estvanko
Assisting	Carlos Payne
Closing Prayer	Steve Cole

Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Harel Otwell
Song Leader	Tony Hotalen
Opening Prayer/Table	Camp Mallory
Closing Prayer	Kenny Laminack

In like manner, the Apostle Paul also took his stand upon the word of God, from the very moment of his baptism into Christ for the forgiveness of his sins to his last breath. His own ethnic and religious “brothers” so hated and rejected Him for it that they soon sought to take his life (Acts 9:1-24) – a process which would last years into the future and cause him unparalleled pain, suffering, rejection, and isolation (Acts 13:44-48, etc.).

Now, this is nothing new, nor should it ever come as a surprise to anyone who has chosen to stand upon the word of God alone, when it does. Jesus said it would (Mt. 10:27-39; Lk. 6:21-23; Jn. 15:18-25). It’s just part of the process; it just “goes with the territory” as it were. Just ask Joseph, Jesus, and/or Paul amongst others.

However, there’s another, far greater, and infinitely far more important and encouraging portion of this process which sadly, seldom gets mentioned in the same vein; and that is this: Whenever

**Reminders:**

Wedding for Grace and Caden 2-5-22 @2:00PM

All are invited!

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Sunday Bible study: 10AM

Sunday Worship: 11AM

Sunday Afternoon: 6 PM

Wednesday Bible study: 7PM

Joe Mallory, Minister

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one takes their stand on the word of God alone, no matter how alone others may seek to leave them or subsequently make them feel, they are never alone – because God won't allow those who have thus put their trust in Him and His word, to be alone without Him. Joseph wasn't (Gen. 39:1-3, 20-23). Jesus wasn't (Jn 16:32). Neither was Paul (2 Tim. 4:16-18). Nor will they ever be (Heb. 10:22, 39-40, 7:25; 2 Tim. 4:6-8). In fact, not only will such folks never be alone and without God, oftentimes “after [they] have suffered a while” (1 Ptr. 5:10), He has also been known to bring about circumstances whereby those who had initially rejected them for their stand on His word, were eventually brought around to rethink, reassess, and be reunited with/to them. Joseph's brothers were (Gen 42-45). Jesus' brothers were (Acts 1:14). And we have to hope that many of the Apostle Paul's ethnic and former religious “brethren” were as well (at least, this was his earnest hope, prayer, and purpose – Rom. 9:1-5, 10:1).

This new year, let us all either determine, or re-determine, to continue to: stay the course, keep the faith, and stand on God's word alone, no matter the cost or consequences. Let us do so for the sake of God, our own souls, and for the sake of others' souls as well who need the light of our continued commitment to see and/or return to.

- Doug Dingley