



## Birthdays

Billy Don Smith 5/25  
Anthony Tutt 5/25  
Barbara Davis 5/25  
Harold Achimon 5/28

## Anniversaries

Justin & Kacy Patterson 5/29

## May Assignments

**Welcome/Prayer:** Justin Patterson

**Song Leader:** Harold Achimon

**Scripture Reading:** Preston Patterson  
Luke 23:39-43

### Lord's Table:

Bread Prayer – Terry Davis

Fruit of the Vine Prayer – Rich Luckie

Contribution Prayer – Tracy Beaty

**Closing Prayer:** Tim Hitchcock



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<sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 29:18-20

TO:

Be sure to tune in to **"Let the Bible Speak"** Sundays 6:30 am on KTEN NBC 10 and 9:30 am KTEN ABC 9.

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### TIME OF SERVICES

Bible Class: 9:30 am  
Worship 10:30 am  
Evening 6:00 pm  
Wednesday pm 7:00 pm

## How to Teach The Brainwashed

On November 18, 1978 in a remote commune in Jonestown, Guyana, a charismatic Jim Jones convinced 909 people to drink cyanide laced Flavor Aid. It is the largest mass murder suicide in history. This event popularized the phrase, "Don't drink the Kool-Aid." A warning of unconditional devotion beyond rationality to something potentially dangerous. It seems like there are always people who are ready to drink the Kool-Aid. Those people are convinced of a reality that is beyond rational thought or explanation. They are often tied to an ideology linked with a strong emotion. Jim Jones piggybacked on the civil rights movement for his Peoples Temple cult. Hitler convinced a nation to drink using national pride and a common enemy. Throughout human history, events like these have unfolded. We are in a dangerous time ourselves. The concept of absolute pure truth has been gone for a long time now. In its absence, everyone has a truth. All those truths are circulated. Now they are circulated at the government and national level. Not just individuals on podcasts but government leaders and groups spinning truth to control the masses. Many special interest groups all slinging their own Kool-Aid. There isn't just one flavor. You can pick your poison and join a cause. It is divisive, destructive, and dangerous. How do we operate as the church in this culture?

The first thing is self-assessment. These divisive ideologies are creeping into the church. If my thoughts vilify "those people" I need to be careful. If I am thinking anything that demonizes a group of people that Christ died for, I am taking sips of the Kool-Aid. We are told, "If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men" ([Rom. 12:18](#); [Heb. 12:14](#)).

The next thing is checking our message. What are we saying? What are we repeating and circulating? We cannot afford to get caught up in Earthly struggles and forget our purpose. We are not social warriors or political commandos but heavenly ambassadors. We are to be "constantly nourished on the words of the faith and of the sound doctrine" and "have nothing to do with worldly fables" ([1 Tim. 4:6-7](#)). "Refuse foolish and ignorant speculations, knowing that they produce quarrels" ([2 Tim. 2:23](#)).

Finally, we must be kind and gentle not combative. "The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition" that "they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will" ([2 Tim. 2:23-26](#)). Always remember that Satan is our enemy. He was the first one handing out the Kool-Aid to Adam and Eve, and he is still deceiving people today. Don't drink the Kool-Aid he sells.

~Josh Blackmer

Prayer List

**Rod Tate**, Tammy’s Dad, passed away on Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Pray for the entire Tate and Sides family. **Carl Reed, Jeff Reed’s dad**, is now on hospice and is declining. Pray for him. **Cody Higgins** needs our prayers. **Wade Kennedy** is home and is improving slowly. Keep him and his family in your prayers. **Eddie Baker** is doing rehab at his home for his knees. **Juvean Snell** continues to struggle to regain her health after surgery. **Lila Beth Davis** has been able to return home. **Amy Yost**, daughter of **Cole Woodard** is still in the hospital. She is stable but in critical condition. Please pray that her lungs heal and her kidneys start working on their own. **Joe Price** is home recuperating from shoulder surgery. **Christi Light** has requested prayers for her brother as he continues to suffer with diverticulitis. **Kerry Jones** continues to struggle with back pain. **Pat Jones** is doing better. **Shelly Rubey**, Betty Graham’s daughter has been diagnosed with endometrial cancer and is due to have surgery on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Shelly needs our prayers as she has had continual health issues the past couple of years.

Prayer list continued ....

Those to continue to remember in Prayer:

Sylvia Goodman	Lila Beth Davis	Rebecca Denton
Melba Welch	J.D. Pruitt	Shelby Ansley
Lois Petty	Lanette Swindle	Bob Walker
Cindy Schindler	Bill Schindler	Billy Don Smith
Terry Butler	Charlene King	Wade Kennedy
Keith Welch	Betty Graham	Adell Thompson
Jason Achimon	Juvean Snell	Tommy Blackburn
Tammy Sides	Eddie Baker	Brian Vannoy
Ann Beavert	Dorothy Jones	Brian Welch
Jim and Linda Barnes	Dortha Reed	Carl Reed
Dalton Williams	Charlene King	Stephanie McWilliams
Bill Huddleston	Carolyn Gilbreath	Ann Butler
Rosina Magana	Lila Beth Davis	Cindy Cook
Patti Achimon	Tracy Beaty	
Wayne McCorkle	Jamie Miyashita	



**Tyrena Jones** fell and broke her hip. She is in Medical City in Plano. Pray for a quick recovery. We send our sympathy to the family of **Charles Roberts**, member of our community. Charles passed away May 14<sup>th</sup>. **Lana Henderson**, member of our community, has been diagnosed with cancer. **Marjory Grady**, Pat Jones’ mother needs our prayers.



Please check the sign-up sheets at the back of the church for the Greeter on Sunday mornings for the rest of 2021.

Just for a chuckle .....

On Creation

An atheist scientist came to God and said, "We've figured out how to make a man without you."

God said, "OK, let me see you do it."

So the atheist bent down to the ground and scooped up a handful. But God stopped him and said, "Oh, no you don't. Get your own dirt!"

We are still working on our updated church directory. So...if you want to update your information or simply have a current picture made, please contact Patty Roberts and we will arrange to take your picture or if you want to submit one to collinsvillecofc@gmail, you can do so. Please do so no later than June 1, 2021.

Military

J. R. Lance	Matt Frizzell	Zack Turpen
Chad Lorenz	Trea Baker	Matt Upton
Logan Nielsen	Seth Rodriguez	Brock Murray
Madalyn Baker	Garrett Brewer	Hunter Brewer

Calendar of Events

**Sunday - 9:30 AM Bible classes inside the building.**  
**10:30 AM Worship inside the building.** For those homebound or with weakened immune systems please go to: [www.collinsvillecofc.org](http://www.collinsvillecofc.org) and click on “view live” on Facebook.com/CollinsvilleChurchofChrist.  
**6:00 PM Worship** will be inside the building and Facebook.  
**Wednesday -7:00 PM** class will be at the church as well as on Facebook.

**May 21st** – HeyDey in Denison for grades 3 – 12. Meet at the church at 5:30 PM for a great night of fun for all!  
**June 1<sup>st</sup>** – Men’s Bible Class, 7:00 AM  
**June 2<sup>nd</sup>** – 11AM Ladies Bible Class meets for devotional and then a picnic in the park in Gainesville & then visit the zoo.  
**June 6<sup>th</sup>** – Wedding Shower for **J and Meg Bailey**. This will be a drive-through shower between the church building and the fellowship building beginning at 2pm. They are registered at Crate and Barrel and Target.  
**June 12<sup>TH</sup>** – VBS Super Saturday – 9am – 1pm Ages 2 thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grades are welcome!  
**June 13<sup>th</sup>** – Wedding Shower for **Leanna Crowe and Warren Mack**. It will be a come and go shower in the fellowship hall at 2:00pm. They are registered at Amazon and Target.  
**June 19<sup>th</sup>** - Work Day for the building as well as the grounds in preparation for our “Family Celebration”. Our first church luncheon in over a year!  
**June 27<sup>th</sup>** - Family Celebration” Terry Davis will be cooking for our first fellowship meal in a year!!!

Vital Statistics

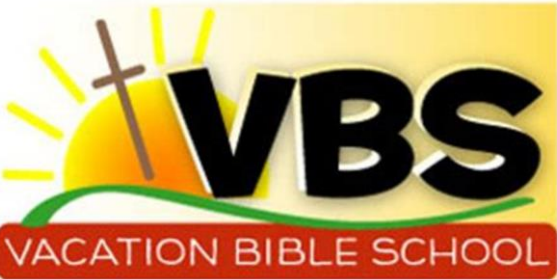
Sunday Morning Bible .....	70
Sunday Morning Assembly.....	139
Sunday Morning Online Viewership.....	96
Sunday Evening Assembly.....	42
Sunday Evening Online Viewership .....	82
Wednesday Evening Assembly.....	53
Wednesday Evening Online Viewership .....	109
Weekly Budget.....	\$4,643
Contribution Last Sunday.....	\$4,831

Sunday Sermon Titles

**Sunday AM: “A Study of Deuteronomy”**  
**“Remembering Our Past”**  
**Deuteronomy 9:7**  
**Sunday PM: “Getting involved in Kingdom Work”**  
**Matthew 7:13-14, 21**

Bible Class Opportunities

It appears we have been able to get commitments for teaching our summer classes, both Sunday and Wednesday for our children! What joy we have in this church!



VBS Super Saturday! June 12<sup>th</sup> 9am-1pm  
Ages 2 thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grade welcome!!  
To **volunteer**, please sign up on the sheet in the back of the auditorium or see Garrett or Kim Patterson. Teens, we encourage you to volunteer to be a part of this great day!