



**Birthdays**

Donna Way 9/25  
Susan Carney 9/27  
Harlee Smith 9/29  
Kari Wilson 9/29

**Anniversaries**

**September Assignments**

**Welcome/Prayer:** Jim Barnes  
**Song Leader:** Matthew Davenport  
**Scripture Reading:** Drew Brown  
Exodus 12:11 & Hebrews 11:28

**Lord’s Supper Devotional** – Scott Sides

**Lord’s Table and Communion**  
**Bread Prayer** – Marion Farrell  
**Fruit of the Vine Prayer** – Justin Patterson  
**Offering Prayer** – Kerry Jones  
**Assisting with Communion:** Jerry Cannon  
Quint Westfall Kevin Hampton

**Attendance cards:** Ashton Patterson  
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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 28:18-20

TO:

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**TIME OF SERVICES**

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

**The Qualifications of an Elder (Part 1)**

Text: I Timothy 3; Titus 1; I Peter 5:1-4

A short while after the ascension of Christ, the Lord left the affairs of the world in the hands of hand-picked and carefully instructed apostles through inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Later still, the Holy Spirit moved men to list qualifications for elders. The 21st century church faces formidable challenges. To successfully meet these challenges we must have bold, dedicated and qualified leadership. There is NO SUBSTITUTE FOR IT! Every institution in the world’s success is determined by its leadership. The church is no exception. The Bible gives a clear picture of the kind of leadership God wants. If ever the church of Christ is to fulfill its world-wide mission, it must have spiritual leaders who meet God’s qualifications. It is not mere worldly wisdom but God’s Word that has decreed the existence of the eldership. The Bible lists specific qualities a man must possess in order to be an elder, “A bishop then must be...” (I Timothy 3:2; emp. added). These qualifications are not given by men, rather they are given by the Holy Spirit, “Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood” (Acts 20:28). Without these qualifications we cannot have elders. When it comes to us today selecting men to be overseers of a congregation, our guide must be the Word of God. We may wonder, “To what degree must a man meet the qualifications to serve as an elder?” The only scriptural answer is ALL. He MUST be a man whose life these qualifications are ALL clearly seen. What are these qualifications? For the sake of our study we will divide the qualifications into six categories: Experience, Character & Habits, Leadership, Apt to Teach, Reputation and Domestic Relations.

(To be continued next week)

