

# Remember Our Sick

**Mary Stamps** – Is at the Russellville Nursing facility for rehab.

**Glenda Hutchens** (Angela Widner’s mother) – Has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Waiting on test results to determine what happens next.

**Marilyn Veasman** – Fell and broke her shoulder. No surgery at this time.

**Kevin Miller** – Is at the heart rehab center in Fort Smith.

**Dana Catlett** (Marion & Joyce Helton’s daughter) – Has been diagnosed with breast cancer. She will begin radiation and take a pill.

**Amilia Jovell** – Had surgery for her head aches two weeks ago.


**Ricky Biffle** – (Brent Hottinger’s cousin) – Cancer has come back and he will begin treatments again.

**Shut-ins – need prayers and cards:**

- Russellville Nursing Home – Katheren Mitchell – Room 303  
215 South Portland Ave., Russellville, AR 72801
- StoneBridge Senior Living – Dot King – Room A103  
1909 Fairway Blvd., Russellville, AR 72802

**Others Who Need Our Prayers:**

Carl Adkisson, Donna Baker, Jami Bateman, Carolyn Bennett, Robert Cadjew, John Cathers, Donna Chambers, Doug Cloud, Ina Dell Cloud, T.J. & Carolyn Dover, Johnny Estes, Yolanda Greenway, Leota Hickey, Hershah/Geneva Hudson, Joan Hudson, Francis Kennedy, Dot King, Rose Lee, Liliya McDaniel, Becky Miller, Alvin Mitchell, Julie Moss, Klaus Mullins, Lisa Mullins, Paulette Oakes, Bobbi Robbins, Holden Robbins, Tyler Robbins, Tami Robinson, Justin Vaughn, Sandra Walker, Billy Walters, Joyce Walters, Patsy Wisbrock and Vera Wyatt.

<p align="center"><b>MEETING TIMES</b></p> <p><b>Sunday Morning Classes</b> 9:45 A.M.</p> <p><b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> 10:45 A.M.</p> <p><b>Sunday Evening Worship</b> 6:00 P.M.</p> <p><b>Ladies’ Tuesday Bible Class</b> 10:00 A.M.</p> <p><b>Men’s Tuesday Bible Class</b> 10:00 A.M.</p> <p><b>Wednesday Bible Classes</b> 6:30 P.M.</p> <p align="center"><b>Phone Numbers:</b></p> <p><b>Church Office:</b> 479-331-3428 <b>Office Hrs:</b> M-F 9:00a-1:00p <b>Secretary Cell:</b> 479-747-0908</p>	<p><b>Elders:</b></p> <p>Allen Veasman 479-857-2791</p> <p>Chris Loper 479-747-1639</p> <p>Brent Hottinger 479-264-5696</p> <p>Michael Robbins 479-264-9668</p> <p><b>Minister:</b></p> <p>Darrel Solonka 936-581-2611</p> <p><b>Assoc. Minister:</b></p> <p>William Robbins 479-264-9157</p>	<p><b>Deacons:</b></p> <p>Rex McDaniel</p> <p>Chris Moss</p> <p>Justin Vaughn</p> <p>Blake Walters</p> <p>Brett Walters</p>
<p><b>Online Giving:</b> Text any dollar amount to <b>84321</b> or use QR code at right</p>		

**September 24<sup>th</sup> 2023**

**Sunday A.M.**

**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

**Prayers:** Michael Robbins  
Neil Whitted

**Communion:**

**Podium:** Chris Loper  
**Serve:** Adam Leavell  
Allen Veasman  
Blake Forehand  
Blake Walters

**Scripture Reading:**  
Doug Cloud

**Communion to Shut-Ins:**  
Chris Loper

**Speaker:** Darrel Solonka

**Sunday P.M.**

**Speaker:** Williams Robbins  
**Prayers:** Merrell Shoptaw  
Randall Walters

**October 1<sup>st</sup> 2023**

**Sunday A.M.**

**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

**Prayers:** Rex McDaniel  
Rick Hollis

**Communion:**

**Podium:** Brett Walters  
**Serve:** Brent Hottinger  
Brody Lovell  
Caleb Chance  
Chase Chance

**Scripture Reading:**  
Earl Stamps

**Communion to Shut-Ins:**  
Charlie Davis

**Speaker:** Darrel Solonka

**Sunday P.M.**

**Speaker:** William Robbins  
**Prayers:** Adam Leavell  
Allen Veasman



**Life Lines**

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## THE MODE OF BAPTISM

One of the most fundamental considerations about baptism is the mode which is to be employed. Is baptism sprinkling, pouring or immersion? Or, does the mode really matter? Let’s study...

1. BAPTISM AND transliteration.

Understanding the definition of baptism is a good place to start. In doing this, we are not so interested in what the word means to modern day Americans as we are in what Bible writers intended when they used the word. The Greek word that we get baptism from is the word baptize. Do you see the similarity between the Greek word and the English word? There is a reason for similarity. The word was not translated into English from the Greek. Instead, it was transliterated. When something is translated into another language it is assigned an already existing word (or words) that communicate the same meaning in another language. But when a word is transliterated, a new word is actually devised by keeping it similar to the Greek word (in this case). In short, here is the problem. To the Greek reader in the first century the word baptizo meant (and it still means) to dip or to immerse, but the word baptism muddies the water to many in English. It makes the mode of baptism seem not so definite, when in reality it is. Unfortunately, this was the intent of transliterating the word rather than translating it.

2. THE USE OF THE WORD IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Our understanding of the mode of baptism is by no means dependent upon our knowledge of the Greek language. In fact, in

some ways, an even better way to understand the mode of baptism is to simply see what is taught about it in the Bible text.

In **Colossians 2:12** Paul says, “having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.” Likewise, he states in **Romans 6:4**, “We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.”

A quick examination of the use of the word baptism in the New Testament clearly demonstrates that baptism is immersion in water. It is a burial.

### 3. EXAMPLES OF NEW TESTAMENT BAPTISMS

If we have reasoned correctly thus far, we would also expect to see harmony displayed in actual baptisms in the New Testament. And indeed, we do. Note a couple of clear examples...

John said in **John 3:23**, “John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized.” Why was John baptizing there? Because of the volume of water needed for baptism.

Luke records the conversion account of the Ethiopian eunuch in Acts 8 where the text records, “And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him” (v. 38). If sprinkling were permissible, this would seem to be the ideal place to use it. The Ethiopian was in the midst of a long journey. It was not convenient for him to be immersed in water.

Surely the question of the mode of baptism was anticipated by our Lord as we notice the very precise wording regarding it in the Scripture. So, through the meaning of the word, through the action which is described, as well as the examples we see in Scripture, the only rational conclusion we can draw is that baptism is immersion in water. In fact, we can go so far as saying that sprinkling and pouring are simply not baptism. Baptism is immersion. Immersion is not sprinkling or pouring. The practice of sprinkling and pouring for baptism are completely without Bible authority. Daren Schroeder – Daily Droplets

## Upcoming Events:

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**Gospel Meeting at Dover Church of Christ  
October 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 each night  
Speakers: Matt Glawe – Sunset Church of Christ  
Chuck Ball – Cabot Church of Christ**

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**Men’s Business Meeting has been moved to  
October 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.,  
due to the gospel meeting.**

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***Ladies’ Night will be October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.  
Hosted by Shelby & Kelli Hottinger  
and Kelsi Letson.***

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**Atkins Church of Christ is having a Gospel Meeting  
every Sunday evening in October, starting at 7:00 p.m.  
More information in flyer on the bulletin board.**

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**We have several kids in our congregation that play football,  
volleyball or involved in cheerleading and the band. They would  
love your support, by coming out  
and watching them play or perform.  
These are only home games.**

**Football Schedule – all games start at 7:00 p.m.  
September 25<sup>th</sup> against JV Dardanelle  
October 6<sup>th</sup> against Benton Harmony Grove  
October 20<sup>th</sup> against CAC  
October 27<sup>th</sup> against Pottsville**

**Volleyball Schedule  
September 26<sup>th</sup> against Waldron at 4:00  
October 5<sup>th</sup> against Harding Academy at 4:30  
October 10<sup>th</sup> against Lamar at 4:00  
District Tournament at Dover October 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>**

### Cleaning Church

#### Building

September 30<sup>th</sup>

Not assigned

October 7<sup>th</sup>

Veasman group

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#### Lawn Care

September 30<sup>th</sup>

Michael & William Robbins

October 7<sup>th</sup>

David & Lucas Taylor  
and Neil Whitted

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**In Search  
of the Lord’s Way  
The Search Program  
can now be accessed  
any time on their  
website  
Phil Sanders  
weekly lesson can be  
heard and seen each Sunday on  
LR KASN TV 38  
@ 7:30 am  
DirecTV 307 @ 6:00 am  
Dish 42 @ 7:30 am  
GBN @ 7:00 pm**

### **September Birthdays**

16 Michael Robbins  
Diane Cloud  
17 Courtney McMillian  
21 Michaela Walker  
24 Gary Williams  
Kelly Whitted  
Alan Walker  
26 Justin Vaughn

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### **October Birthdays**

01 Rose Lee  
Erica Widner  
03 Paula Melton  
09 Lisa Mullins  
Jason Clark  
13 Cyndie Loper  
15 Heath Forehand  
21 TJ Dover  
22 Kelsi Letson  
Dora Sanders  
Emma Letson  
23 Blake Walters  
27 Carin Vaughn  
Geneva Hudson  
30 Kyle Sparkman  
Kylie Sparkman  
31 Kevin Nordin