

# WELCOME

June 5, 2022



**South Apalachin Baptist Church**

**KNOW CHRIST | PROCLAIM CHRIST | SERVE CHRIST**

## Praise & Worship Service

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*Welcome to our service - We are glad you are here!*

Prelude..... Carolyn Titus

Welcome .....Darren Dodge

Praise and Worship ..... Praise Team

Songs: ***His Mercy is More***

***Man of Sorrows***

***All I Have is Christ***

*Children grades K - 4 are dismissed to the Fellowship Hall.*

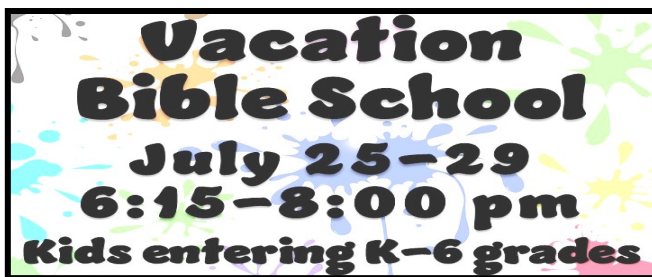
Scripture Reading & Prayer: **Matthew 27:33-44** ....Darren Dodge

Message: ***Come Down from the Cross*** ..... Pastor Dan

Communion ..... Pastor Dan

Song: ***Heaven Came Down*** Hymn #510

Closing Prayer ..... Pastor Dan



### OUR SYMPATHIES:

We wish to express our sympathies to the Walter family as Doris passed away into the loving arms of her Savior on Sunday, May 22. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, June 18, at 11:00 am here at the church.

# Schedule of Events

## Today

**June 5, 2022**

- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Service - Communion
- 5:45 pm The Loft
- 6:00 pm Missions Prayer Service

## This Week

**June 6-11, 2022**

- Tuesday 6:00 pm Sneaker Night Gym
- Wednesday 12:30 pm Ladies' Prayer Group Marian Benthin's
- 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting Fellowship Hall
- Thursday 10:00 am Open Gym Gym

## Next Sunday

**June 12, 2022**

- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Morning Service with Baptism
- 12:00 pm Family Fellowship Dinner
- 5:45 pm The Loft
- 6:00 pm Evening Service

## Looking Ahead

**Save the Date**

- June 18 Memorial Service for Doris Walter at 11:00 am
- July-August Outside Worship Services at 10:00 am - No Sunday School. There will be Toddler & Children's Church and Sunday Evening Church.
- July 17 Mark and Joy Sims will be with us during the Morning Service, Fellowship Dinner (moved from July 10), and the Evening Service (moved to after Fellowship Dinner)
- July 25-29 Vacation Bible School
- Oct 14-16 Missions Conference

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## MONTHLY SPECIALS:

Sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to share in word or music something the Lord lays on your heart on the last Sunday of the month during the beginning of the Worship Service.

# Missions Update - David & Joanne Divakar

*Missionaries to INDIA*

Lord willing Joanne, I, Michael and Stephen will be returning to India in June. Our older son Michael graduated from Crown College in May with a degree in missions. Stephen, our younger son, finished his freshman year at Pensacola Christian College. He is pursuing pastoral ministries. Before we left we needed acknowledgment from the US citizen services of having received Joanne's paperwork and for Michael's application to be processed at Pensacola Christian College for the Graduate Assistance program where he can work and pay for the degree he would pursue there. Both will return to college in the fall.

January 2022 brought another Covid lockdown with services online only in Mysore, India. In February the lockdown was lifted. The young man looking after the church in my absence is doing a great job. In 2015 he was a student at the local university. Two students from our Bible Institute witnessed to him and he was saved. After his salvation he wanted to study God's Word, so he quit university studies and joined the Bible Institute. He is facing much opposition from his extended family. His parents are allowing him to do what he wants, but he is facing a barrage of verbal abuse from relatives and brother.

The Anti-conversion law has been passed by the state parliament. It has not yet been put into action. If it does get implemented, a person risks jail time and a monetary fine if a person witnesses to another and that person is saved. The government does not want people "changing their religion", therefore the anti-conversion law. They want to know when a person came to Christ, how many generations their family has been Christians, where they go to church, who is the pastor. This census is only for Christians. If this information gets into the wrong hands, it could be very hurtful to Christians.

One would think that the church numbers would have declined. It is the opposite. We have observed that the church in India tends to grow in the face of opposition. When there is no opposition, apathy tends to set in. God has been faithful through the years and we know He will be there for us in the future. Not always easy, but some things that God allows in our lives make us better Christians and better witnesses.

After we return to India we are looking forward to helping start another church just outside our city. Much planning has been going on for over a year now. The task seems quite difficult under the present political circumstances. We believe that God is opening up an opportunity that we cannot ignore. Pray with us on this.

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