



# THE REMINDER

## Looking Over Jordan

### BIRTHDAYS

Bob Young	9 <sup>TH</sup>
Ruth Vestal	12 <sup>TH</sup>
Sherri Davis	12 <sup>TH</sup>
Leslie Wagle	13 <sup>TH</sup>
Ricky Willets	14 <sup>TH</sup>
Connie Fogle	15 <sup>TH</sup>
Barbara Poole	19 <sup>TH</sup>

VALENTINE'S DAY  
FEBRUARY 14

### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DECEMBER



- Income: \$11,569
- Expense: \$6380

*Your gifts are  
truly appreciated!*

### Love and Worship is Better Than Paying Taxes

King David could be quite an enthusiastic person. He had kind of a rough life as an outlaw tribal chief for a while.

But once he became King of Israel, he celebrated the Lord with happiness, love and joy. The Ark of the Covenant was at the house of Obed-edom.

David pitched a special tent for the ark, and it



was moved to Jerusalem. As the Ark processed and entered the city, David celebrated. He loved the glory of the Lord. He joined in the procession, he wore a robe of fine linen and ephod. Saul's daughter Michal, David's wife saw all this going on. She wasn't participating, but did bother to look out the window. What did she think about David's worship? She didn't have a clue, but instead "*despised him in her heart.*" (1 Chronicles 15:29) But David carried on, and gave a sincere prayer of praise and thanksgiving two chapters over in 1 Chronicles 17:16-27. In that time with God, David spoke of knowing God, and being known by God.

Years ago one of our famous Baptists wrote that "worship is the engine of mission." If Christian mission and outreach has something that makes it go, that something must be true worship! So when you and I worship God from a sincere heart, we will have a chance to overflow with God's love like King David. We will be spiritually full people, so full that God's glory spills over from our own attitude and actions into the lives and experiences of other people!

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Or we can be in the winter doldrums. We can live timid and crestfallen, only willing to pay our taxes and hope for the best. But when God's love fills us, our response is worship! When we see the glory of God taking place, we raise our head and praise Him!

**Mission** is a constant witness by enthusiastic living that sets us apart from the doldrums. So it isn't only going away to another country to minister, it is being "always ready" to explain to people the Lord that we know. **Mission** is not being shy when asked about our faith or our church membership. When we are filled with the experience of love and worship, it is then that we are on mission.

Let the love of God, and the love from God in Jesus, be with you each day!

Happy because of Jesus,

*Pastor James*

God Will Not Forget:  
"For God is not unjust so as to forget  
your work and the love which you  
have shown toward His name, in having  
ministered and in still ministering to the  
saints." (Hebrews 6:10)

*Church Sign:*  
*Jesus did not come to make*  
*God's love possible, but to*  
*make God's love visible.*

