

September 19, 2021



FLORENCE BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Miracles – part 2

#1 Jesus is with us always (Matthew 28:20). No one doubts this reality, but what does it look like practically. Is Jesus' presence with us an audible one? Is his presence with us a manifestation of signs in life and the world around us that we are supposed to interpret somehow? Or is his presence the Word that he spoke, which was the will of God? I tend to believe the third is most accurate. In John 1:14, as well as other places through the Bible, people marveled at Jesus not because of his appearance or actions, but because of his teachings—"full of grace and truth." What he taught and the words he spoke were the main source of his power while on earth, and I would suggest, still are to this day.

#2 God works all things according to His will (Ephesians 1:11). WORD OF CAUTION. In Ephesians 1:11 when the Bible says about God that he "*works all things according to the counsel of his will*" that we quickly assume it means every detail of my life God has a specific plan for. What could it mean, that God works all things according to the counsel of his will? There is a possibility that God knows all things about my life, down to every detail (Luke 12:7), yet his will is so much higher and greater than my details that the lens through which he works "*all things out*" is according to his grandiose will of saving mankind from sin. So our aim is not to be burdened with the minutiae of the details of this fleshly life, but rather, to continually draw ourselves up to the grand plan of God saving man.

#3 God still can do exceedingly abundantly above what we can imagine (Ephesians 3:20). Can God create a rock so heavy that he cannot pick it up? This, along with many other statements of the like are silly word plays that seek to confuse people. The reality is, we cannot box God in, fully understand what he can do, or try to define in detail what he does do today. The aim of this article is to filter our thoughts of miracles through the lens of Scripture and the authority it has in our life today.

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Worship: Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm; Bible Class 10:15 am

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

FOR THE RECORD

Sunday AM: 231 / On Line Views: 179
Sunday School: 199 / On Line Views: N/A
Sunday PM: 197 / On Line Views: 207
Wednesday: 169 / On Line Views: 104
Budget: \$13,300
Contribution: \$ 12,367

SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Susan Morris and her family, in the passing away of her brother, Bobby Darby. He passed away on Tuesday, September 14th. He lived in Texas.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped with the "Ride to the Home," for the North Alabama Christian Children's Home recently. As of now, the total amount raised is \$11,704.00. Thank you for everything you do and have done for the kids at the home. Love you all!

Don Williams

CONGRATULATIONS

Danny and Amy Coats are proud grandparents of a little boy. William "Liam" Myles Johnson, was born on Wednesday, September 15th at 4:39 am. He weighed 7.5 lbs. and measured 21.5 inches long. Proud parents: Bubba & Dannah Johnson; Proud sisters: Karlee and Jaycee; Proud aunt: Shelby Coats; Proud great grandparents: Robert & Reba Coats; Proud great aunt and cousin: Christy and Katelin Risner.

SUNDAY NIGHT FOR THE SAVIOR

Our first meeting of the "Sunday Night for the Savior" teams began last Sunday with about thirty-five people present.

There were at least 135 cards for all occasions written, several of our children made personalized cards for members here, too.

Mark Willingham and Bill Crunk replaced many of the light bulbs that were out in the WBS room and down the hallway. About four or more of the ballasts appear to need replacement in some fixtures.

Several of our members worked on WBS lessons, but Jerry Trousdale says we have about 1500 lessons that need someone to help with. Repairs were made to the tables in the Museum and the "Wheel of Fortune" in the game room was repaired.

Ben Holt spent the hour cleaning the kitchen and coolers and some of the equipment in the kitchen, along with looking at one of the classrooms upstairs that is missing almost half of the ceiling tiles, and is in need of more repairs to get it into useable shape.

This Sunday evening Team 3 will meet and continue with the work begun last week, hope to see you there.

SEPTEMBER

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

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The youth battled with other congregations in the area in volleyball Sunday night for our "Battle of the Youth Group" event including Cox Blvd, Chisolm Hills, and Tuscumbia. Although there was some good competition, soon we will be sweeping the Title Belt in victory in October. Last Wednesday we had a movie night upstairs. We have had many visitors lately. If you see the opportunity, please welcome them into our church family.

-John Birdwell