

# THE COLDWATER CONTENDER

*"...ye should earnestly contend for the faith..."* (Jude 3)  
**August 20, 2017**

## **Coldwater church of Christ**

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### **ELDERS**

Richard Price  
Kevin Smith  
Bill Vincent

### **DEACONS**

Johnny Downs  
Josh Fulcher  
Josh Price  
Wesley Tucker

### **PREACHER**

Luke Puckett

### **SUNDAY SERVICE**

Bible Class: 9:30  
AM Worship: 10:15  
PM Worship: 1:00

### **WEDNESDAY**

Bible Class: 7:00pm

### **LADIES CLASS**

Will resume in  
the fall

## **A Message To Our Visitors**

It is our privilege to have you visiting with us today. Please know that you are our honored guest. Please let us get to know you, and fill out an attendance card so we can have record of you being here. Please return to be with us again at your earliest opportunity. If you have questions or would like to study the Bible with us, please let us know. Thanks again for visiting with us, and may God continue to bless you according to His divine purpose.

## **THOSE TO SERVE**

### **Announcements:**

Kevin Smith

### **Lead Singing:**

Josh Price

### **Opening Prayer:**

Bill Vincent

### **Scripture Reading:**

Chris Smith

### **Lord's Table**

Josh Price  
Gerald Rule  
Bill Vincent  
Hyland Darnell

### **Closing Prayer:**

Richard Jones

### **Greeters (East)**

Andy and Maddie

### **Greeters (West)**

Chris and Theresa

### **LESSON**

**Josh Fulcher**

### **Scripture reading:**

1John 2:15-17

**Mitchell Smith**

### **Scripture reading:**

# AS THE DEER PANTS

*By: Wayne Brewer*

The psalmist David knew that true success in his life depended upon God. Ever since David was a child he understood that a victorious life was founded in God himself. An example in the life of David was when he confronted Goliath. The Philistine was chiding him, God, and the Israel and so David said; *“Your servant used to keep his father’s sheep; and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb out of the flock, I went out after it and struck it, and delivered the lamb from its mouth, and when it arose against me, I caught it by its beard, and struck and killed it... but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts... (1 Samuel 17:34-35, 45).*

David completely trusted in God. Even though David had become king he knew what it was like to go out into the country and knowing the country life shepherding the sheep. David knew the habits of various animals like the lion, bear, deer, etc. It would be impossible to know the number of times that David had seen these kinds of animals when he was working as a shepherd. He knew the country life and while in the pasture he had much time to reflect upon God, his blessings, and observe the comparisons between nature and the spiritual life. While David reflected upon God and the spiritual life he wrote many Psalms. One of the Psalms begins: *“As the deer pants for the water brooks, so pants my soul for You, O God” (Psalm 42:1).*

The life of the deer and in reality our physical lives depend upon water. The physical body of the human being is made up of between 57 and 60 percent water can only be healthy having that amount. Water is essential and so in the summer

when it is very hot for the well being and health of our physical bodies we must drink an adequate amount of liquids. David had seen the deer long for the streams and brooks and as David saw this he was reminded of the human beings spiritual need for God. *“My soul thirsts for God, for the living God...” (Psalm 42:2).* David understood the spiritual needs of man. Man needs God.

In spite of the fact that the majority of human beings do not understand this, the fact remains that our soul and spirit need God and in reality depend upon him. True success in the earth life and in the spiritual life depends upon God and all that he has done for us (John 3:16) just as the life of the deer depended upon the water. Are you depending upon God? What priorities do you have in your life? Are you seeking first the spiritual things that are above and the kingdom of God? Why not do so today?

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

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### Announcements

- ⇒ **Reading plan:** 1st and 2nd Peter
- ⇒ **Team workgroup:** Team **3 (Josh Fulcher)** meets today
- ⇒ **Team workgroups:** To find out which team you are on, see the bulletin board.
- ⇒ **Area events:** Please see bulletin board for more info. Several meetings, singings, and Bible schools are coming up in our area.
- ⇒ **Personal invitation handouts** are available . Please make sure to take some and handout or leave with a tip, and invite someone to services.
- ⇒ **Monthly Men's Class:** Sep 5th at 6:30pm
- ⇒ **Pantry item** for this week is: Syrup
- ⇒ **Sick:** If you know someone who is sick, please get this information to your team leader or Luke.

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### Prayer/Sick List

- ⇒ Mae Downs
- ⇒ Helen Tidwell
- ⇒ Hyland Darnell
- ⇒ Norma Darnell
- ⇒ Shirley Rule
- ⇒ Vicki Wilson (Having tests run)
- ⇒ Grayson Fulcher (recovering from broken arm)
- ⇒ Kim Scott
- ⇒ Kristen Scott
- ⇒ Sue Owczyk (Peggy N. sister)
- ⇒ Trish Puckett (underwent more knee surgery, home recovering)
- ⇒ Sonny McManus (Member at Seven Oaks, has colon cancer)
- ⇒ Paul Brandon
- ⇒ Debbie Smith (Kevin's sister-in-law-cancer)
- ⇒ Dennis Thomas (Judy Black's cousin, has throat cancer)
- ⇒ Greg Black (Kathy Black's son)
- ⇒ Billy Irvan
- ⇒ Trudy Smith
- ⇒ Billy and Cindy Potts (Wesley's uncle and aunt have cancer)
- ⇒ Dean Chadwick (Tammy's mother)
- ⇒ Lashell Jones
- ⇒ Continue to remember all those who have lost loved ones this year

## **WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?**

Hear the Word  
*(Rom 10:17)*

Believe the Word  
*(John 8:24)*

Repent  
*(Luke 13:3)*

Confess Christ  
*(Rom 10:10)*  
*(Acts 8:37)*

Be Baptized  
*(Acts 2:38)*  
*(Acts 22:16)*

Remain Faithful  
*(Rev 2:10)*  
*(Acts 8:12-24)*

Heaven can be your home if you obey God!  
*(Heb 5:8-9)*

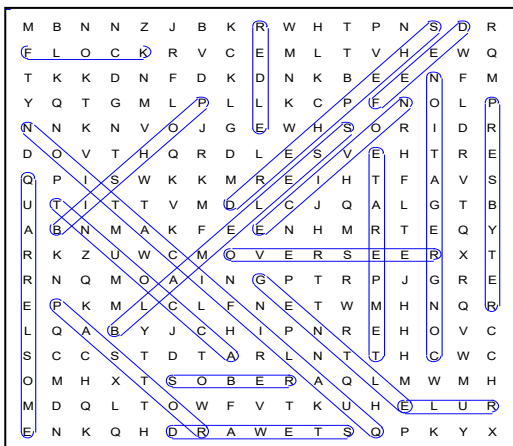
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| Commands  | Love        |
| Conformed | Lust        |
| Enemy     | Passing     |
| Eyes      | Pride       |
| Father    | Transformed |
| Flesh     | Will        |
| Forever   | World       |
| Friend    |             |



**Bible question:** Who advised building a signal fire as a sign of an incoming invasion?

**Last week's question and answer:** What did Israel do to Adoni-Bezek after they captured him?  
Answer: Cut off his thumbs and big toes (Judges 1:6)

**Those answering:** Kay Robertson, Linda Jones, Peggy Newsome, Rachel Adams, Jordan Hobbs