



*Proclaiming the Gospel of Christ*  
July 18, 2021

***WELCOME, WE ARE GLAD YOU  
ARE HERE!***

*~Enter to Worship ~ Depart to Serve~*

*“God can do all things — One Heart, One Soul, United in Christ  
Jesus!”*

**Abiding Faith Baptist Church**

*Annual Theme: “Our Mission Continues – Separate, But Together in  
Christ”*

*“Therefore, those who had been scattered went about preaching the Word”  
(Acts 8:4) NASB*



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**Bobby R. Morgan**

Founding Pastor

**Horace Price, Sr.,** Assistant Pastor



## ~OUR FIVE PURPOSES~

**WORSHIP** ~ Magnifying His Name  
**REACH** ~ Sharing the Gospel Message of Love  
**TEACH** ~ Equipping God's People for Ministry  
**GROW** ~ Developing Christians to Model His Character  
**SERVE** ~ Ministering to the Needs of the Community

In case of personal illness or illness/death in your family, please contact your Share Group Leader and/or one of the following:

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~~Live Intercessors~~

**M-F ~ 10am-12pm & 7-9pm**

**\*\*Tithes and Offerings\*\***

**Mail: P.O. Box 2128, Missouri City, TX 77459**

**Via Website: [www.abidingfaithbc.org](http://www.abidingfaithbc.org)**

**Hand-deliver to the Church – M-W-F 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Prayer (Virtual)

Tuesday - 9:30 a.m. ~ Wednesday - 7:30p.m.,

Bible Study (Zoom) – Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

### **Happy Birthday/\*\*Anniversary/\*Retirement**

Emma Mitchell 7/23

Sandro Kaiser 7/26

Brenda White 7/26

Helen Crowell 7/27

Jaylen Qualls 7/27

Katie Chillis 7/30

Vernell Hunt 7/31

Margaret LaRose 7/31

Rodney & Carolyn Chapman 7/27/27

\*Wilhelmina Beary



***SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021***

***~~Order of Service~~***

***Sunday School Streamed @ 9:00 A.M. ~YouTube/Facebook***



***Morning Worship ~ 10:30 A.M.***  
***In-House/ Streamed/ ~ YouTube/Facebook***

*Opening Song & Devotion ~ Deacons*

*Special Presentations~~ Youth Department*  
*\*\*Grads & 2021 Cotillion Participants\*\**

*Selection ~ Choir*

*Responsive Reading*

*Congregational Hymn*

*Red Carpet Welcome/Announcements ~ Volunteer*

*Selection ~ Choir*

*Sermon ~ Assistant Pastor Horace Price, Sr.*

*Invitation to Discipleship*

*Tithes & Offerings*

*~~Altar Prayer~~*

*Acknowledgement of Guests*

*Benediction*



## ***RESPONSIVE READING***

### **Psalm 139 (KJV)**

**MINISTER**: O lord, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compasses my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.

**CONGREGATION**: For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether. Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.

**MINISTER**: Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.

**CONGREGATION**: If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

**MINISTER**: If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me. Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.

**CONGREGATION**: For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

**MINISTER**: How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.

**CONGREGATION**: Surely, thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men. For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take thy name in vain.

**MINISTER**: Do not I hate them, O Lord, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee? I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.

***ALL: SEARCH ME, O GOD, AND KNOW MY HEART: TRY ME, AND KNOW MY THOUGHTS: AND SEE IF THERE BE ANY WICKED WAY IN ME, AND LEAD ME IN THE WAY EVERLASTING.***

**SERMON OUTLINE**  
**JULY 18, 2021**  
**SUBJECT: "A LIVING HOPE"**

**SCRIPTURE:** *3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.* (1 Peter 1:3-5) KJV

**INTRODUCTION:** Have you ever found yourself losing hope? That usually happens when we attempt to achieve a goal and repeatedly fail. It's the athlete seeking victory and suffering defeat. It's the parent whose restless child never listens; or the advocate whose appeals are repeatedly ignored. When failure is consistently the result of our actions, hope begins to fade, and gloom, despair, and depression take its place.

It's easy to see all of the tragedy that goes on all around us and become discouraged. When we witness the daily death counts in pandemics, hear reports of gangland murders, terrorist attacks, and various tragedies, the sheer accumulation of so much bad news can discourage even the strongest believer. Yet, even in such difficult times, there is still hope. Without hope, our will to fight, struggle, and persevere diminishes. However, even a speck of hope can drive an army to victory or energize the faint to trudge forward.

Famed poet Emily Dickinson, in her poem "Hope is a Thing with Feathers," characterized hope as a small bird inside of us that sings a melody to the soul. It always sings through storms and gales and the chilliest of nights. All it needs from us is a crumb of faith.

Peter wrote a letter of encouragement to believers, reminding them that because of the resurrection of Christ, we should not be discouraged. In verse three, he uses the term "A lively hope" that the abundant mercy of God will break through. That's good news! As Christians, we rejoice in the knowledge that there is always hope, no matter what we deal with in life. Not just plain hope, but a living hope through our Savior. It's a beautiful hope that sets us free.

**I. A LIVING HOPE**

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**II. A FUTURE HOPE**

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**III. A PRESENT HOPE**

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## ***Daily Bible Readings***

Monday ~ Acts 11:19-30 ~ The Church at Antioch

Tuesday ~ Acts 12:6-19 ~ Peter is Rescued

Wednesday ~ Acts 14:8-20 ~ Paul and Barnabas in Lystra

Thursday ~ Acts 15:3-21 ~ The Church Leaders Meet in Jerusalem

Friday ~ Acts 16:11-15 ~ Lydia Becomes a Follower of Christ



## ***This Week's Schedule of Events***

***(Due to COVID 19 distancing, weekly events are suspended).***

**Sunday School Teacher's Meeting ~ 6:30 p.m.**

**Bible Study ~ 7:30 P.M.**



***Upcoming. . .***



**\*\*\*Deadline for the Toynelle Bailey Scholarship Application\*\*\*  
July 31, 2021**



# **Welcome, Guests!**

*Welcome to Abiding Faith Baptist Church! We are so very pleased that the Lord led you here to worship with us today. We pray and trust that your visit will be rewarding, meaningful and enjoyable. Welcome, and please come again real soon!*

*~~~Pastor Morgan and the Abiding Faith Family!*

## **If With Our Mouths?**

*If with our mouths we confess,  
our faith in God above . . .  
then why don't we show others  
unconditional love?*

*If with our mouths we declare,  
Jesus is our salvation  
then why with this world  
do we still have a flirtation?*

*If with our mouths we admit,  
we've been set free from sin  
then why does Satan's armies  
still end up with the win?*

*If with our mouths we profess,  
Jesus is the Lord of our life,  
then why do we still live  
with discord, turmoil, and strife?*

*If with our mouths we assert,  
we walk everyday with the Lord,  
then why in our hearts and minds  
isn't His Word carefully stored?*

*If with our own lips we worship,  
and give honor to our King . . .  
then why are we so detached  
from the lyrics that we sing?*

*~~Deborah Ann*