

Is It Mother Nature?

We have the most amazing view from our sunroom. I love the sunrise as we begin a new day, the glow of the city lights at night, and the orange and purple sunsets. The moon is amazing, and I can see a man up there smiling at me! Everything outdoors seems so very much alive. There's movement, changing colors and sounds.

So what do we call the great outdoors and the wonders we observe? Modern science refuses to credit our glorious creation to God. Therefore, the changing seasons, the living creatures, and climatic events, both good and sometimes violent, are attributed to Mother Nature.

Really? Our God and Creator designed it all (Psalm 90:1-2; Psalm 148:1-5; cf. Genesis 1:3). The Earth revolves around the Sun with great accuracy. Not too close or we would all burn up....not too far or all we would freeze. Birds fly south for the winter. Salmon spawn in only certain areas, all according to God's perfect plan.

It appears that "nature" is alive, is it? Does nature "think" or "choose" to do these things all by itself? (Psalm 65:5-10; Psalm 68:9; Psalm 147:7-8). Evolutionary scientists would have us believe that all of the beauty we observe and all biological functions of living creatures are simply a result of natural selection. In other words, Darwin and his successors would credit intelligence to nature. But we know otherwise (Isaiah 1:18).

Mother Nature isn't a mother at all. She is a non-person — a fairy tale made up by atheists and humanists. God is the great designer of all nature (Job 38). He engineered every form of life to live and to fill the earth according to His command (Genesis 1). Just as Adam was given the responsibility to care for Eden (Genesis 2:15), we, too, are to care for our earth. We are to use its resources wisely, remembering that all nature is a gift to enjoy but also to nourish.

Mother Nature? No! — Father God! Yes!

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Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

Those to Serve

Today

Announcements- Travis Rogers **Opening prayer-** Wayne Fowler

Communion- Jerry McDonald **Closing Prayer-** David Repond

Sermon- Don DeLukie

March 16th

Announcements- Lyle Russell **Opening prayer-** Ronnie Hayes

Communion- Rick Cook **Closing Prayer-** Damien Miller

Sermon- Don Delukie

Announcements

—Question & Answer Series: Our next Question & Answer Series will be when enough questions are collected. Give your questions to Don.

—Children's Home Collection: Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.



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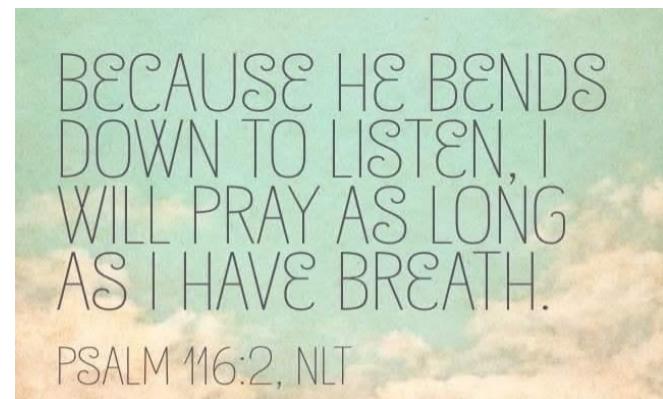
Please Pray For:

Kara Freeman, Barbara Wheeler, Nolan Simpson, Betty Bradshaw, Carolyn Jones, Vinod Raje family, Danaya Ross, Louvenia Dickson, Chuck & Shannon Boyer, Katherine Simmons, Larry McDonald, Larry Randolph.

Bereaved: Family of Emma Reed, Bobby Simmons, Ronnie White.

Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Melanie Christy, Leo & Shirley Goodwin, Tommy Franklin, Carol Granger, Arthur Binford, Dan Ross Jr, Dena White, Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, James Johnson, Bobby Barker, Cindy Smith, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



March Birthdays

- 8 - Miriam Russell
- 18 - Debra Dehart
- 18 - Billy Granger
- 18 - Lyle Russell
- 21 - Sadie Kate Scharf
- 22 - Shannon Boyer
- 29 - Sharon Ross White
- 29 - Chellie Wells

March Anniversaries

- 9 - Tommy & Glenda Wells

