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 ON CALL**
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Attendance September 25, 2016

Regular Attendance	62
Mission School	27
Shut Ins	24
Total	113

Regular Offering	4376.00
Myers-Mallory	290.00
Total	4666.40

**Rejoice in hope,
 be patient in
 tribulation,
 be constant in
 prayer.**

Romans 12:12

English Standard Version (ESV)

Sympathy and Prayers

for

The family and friends of

Barry Thompson

Bro. Eds's Epistle

"...and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." Romans 5:5

Romans 5 is the great chapter on the grace of God. Paul begins the chapter with a declaration that we have been justified by faith, and then proceeds to state the blessings that come to us as a result. The last of those blessings is hope, which is not defined the same way today as it was in Paul's day. Today, we think of hope as a wish for something, I hope I get a nice gift at Christmas is a wish. But the hope Paul talks about is a confident expectation for God to fulfill what He has promised. Because God always keeps His word, hope does not disappoint. Our hope is wrapped up in our salvation, which is a promise of God to all who believe. Our hope of salvation is not a vain wish, but a confident expectation that God will do what He promised. Therefore, I can say with confidence that my salvation is assured. I have that confidence because I have confidence in the word of God and in the provision Jesus has made for my salvation through His death, burial and resurrection. We have said good bye to another one of our faithful members, Bro Burry Thompson. Because his faith was in Jesus, he is now in His presence. His family and church family will grieve, but not without hope. Our hope is that we will all be reunited with each other in the presence of Jesus one day. We have that confidence because of the promise of God and the certainty of His word. May we rejoice in the hope we have in Jesus as we comfort the Thompson family and look forward to eternity with Jesus and all who have trusted in Him. I love you and thank God for the privilege of serving with you.

**Myers-Mallory
 State Missions
 Offering**

**Current Total
 \$740.00**

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