



**DR. BILL HATHAWAY**

Born: Dec. 14, 1930  
Preaching since 1951  
Missionary to Japan for 25 years, Pastored in Missouri

Years of counseling experience

Wife Dixie with the Lord since Feb. 4, 2005

Presently has a Japanese Church Service at Baptist Temple for Japanese speaking people each Sunday. Available for Mission Conferences and pulpit supply.



**REV. VERNON LONGSTAFF**

Born: Feb. 10, 1919  
Preaching since 1948  
Pastored in Kansas, Missouri, Colorado & Nebraska

Years of counseling experience

Wife Glen Nora with the Lord since Dec. 20, 1999

Presently preaching at the IMAX Theatre each Sunday & preaches Mission Conferences, Revivals & one-day meetings. Available for pulpit supply.

Bill and Vernon are available and willing to talk with you and help you in your time of sorrow. Call the church office for contact information. Booklet and pamphlets to help you through your time of grief are made available at each meeting.

**FOR PRECIOUS MEMORIES MEETING TIMES, TO TALK TO A MINISTER OR FOR INFORMATION, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE**

**417-831-2631**



**First Meeting of Precious Memories was held Feb. 3, 2006**

**OTHER MINISTRIES & SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AT BAPTIST TEMPLE  
DR. MARK ROUNSAVILLE, PASTOR**

**SUNDAY:**

- Sunday School 9:30 AM
- Morning Worship 10:30 AM
- Japanese Church Service 4:30 PM
- Choir Rehearsal 4:30 PM
- Prayer Meeting 5:30 PM
- Family Worship 6:00 PM

**WEDNESDAY:**

- Wednesday Evening Service 7:00 PM
- Master Clubs (4 years-grade 5) 7:00 PM

**YOUNG AT HEART:**

- (For seniors who feel young at heart)
- Call for dates and times
- Visit Baptist Temple's Web Site:  
[www.baptisttemple.net](http://www.baptisttemple.net)



**THE  
PRECIOUS MEMORIES  
SUPPORT MINISTRY**

*For Those  
Who Have  
Lost Their  
Life's Mate*



**A MINISTRY  
OF  
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## PRECIOUS MEMORIES

*Precious memories unseen angels  
Sent from somewhere to my soul  
How they linger ever near me  
And the sacred past unfold.*

*Precious father loving mother  
Fly across the lonely years  
And old home scenes of my childhood  
In fond memory appears.*

*In the stillness of the midnight  
Echoes from the past I hear  
Old time singing gladness bringing  
From that lovely land somewhere.*

*As I travel on life's pathway  
Knowing not what the years may hold  
As I ponder hope grows fonder  
Precious memories flood my soul.*

### CHORUS:

*Precious memories how they linger  
How they ever flood my soul  
In the stillness of the midnight  
Precious sacred scenes unfold.*

***"For now we see through  
a glass darkly; but  
then face to face:  
now I know in  
part; but then  
shall I know  
even as I  
am known."  
1 Cor. 13:12***



## WHY PRECIOUS MEMORIES?

Many times new ministries are born because someone has gone through a valley. As a pastor and missionary with over 55 years experience...and now having gone through the valley of losing my dear wife Dixie, I have a burden to help others who have or are going through this deep valley. Who else can help others more than one who has experienced first hand the deep grief that comes from losing your life's mate?

With that in mind, Baptist Temple of Springfield, Missouri with the help of Rev. Bill Hathaway and Rev. Vernon Longstaff has started this new ministry which we are calling "Precious Memories."

The purpose of this ministry is for encouragement. People who have lost spouses come together to eat and to enjoy the fellowship of others who have gone through this valley and who understand each other. Following a meal, a devotion time is held and a message geared to helping overcome deep grief is given. For the most part, Bill or Vernon will give these devotions. Between them they have over 100 years experience in the ministry, but more than that, they both understand first-hand the loneliness of sorrow.

The Bible says, "Sorrow not as those who have no hope." The Precious Memories Support Ministry can help you overcome. Bill and Vernon are always ready to help you and you are free to contact them at any time.

This ministry is open to anyone. You don't have to be a member of Baptist Temple. Call the church office for dates and times.

See you at our next meeting!



## SCRIPTURES ABOUT LIFE, DEATH AND COMFORT

**Matthew 10:28** "And fear not them which kill the BODY, but are not able to kill the soul."

**1 Thessalonians. 5:23** "I pray God your whole SPIRIT and SOUL and BODY be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

**2 Corinthians 5:6-9** "Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. Wherefore we labour, that whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him."

**Philippians 1:22-24** "...For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire TO DEPART AND TO BE WITH CHRIST which is far better: Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you."

**1 Corinthians 15:21,22** "For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

**Job 19:25-27** "For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God."

**John 14:18** "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you."

**2 Corinthians 1:4** "Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God."

**REMEMBER...GOD LOVES YOU!**