

**FEBRUARY 24, 2019**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Announcements**  
Kevin Shackelford  
**Song Leader**  
Chris Moore

**Scripture Reading**  
Chance Criswell  
**Opening Prayer**

John Hopper (A.M.) Danny Shackelford (P.M.)

**Closing Prayer**

Randell Koon (A.M.) Jeff Robertson (P.M.)

**Lord's Table**

Bryan Davis(Presiding),  
Brock Lindley, Keith Newby, Ross Shackelford

**Count and Usher**

Bobby Bridges, Devin McVey

**Prepare Communion**

Jill & Hannah Loveless

**Wednesday Night Song Leader**

Logan Yancey (02/27/19)

**OUR RECORD**

**February 17, 2019**

Sunday Bible Study: NA

Sunday Morning Worship: 132

Sunday Evening Worship: 95

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 88

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$3,809

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

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7; Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins(Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



# THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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**ELDERS:** Barrett Chapman, Terry Chapman,  
Joel Moore, Jarvene Shackelford,  
Tommy Wade  
**DEACONS:** Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless,  
Brad McAlister, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry  
Wood  
**PREACHER:** Mark Lindley

**"I'LL BE CAREFUL"**

**Mark Lindley**

Children say the funniest things. I have a three-year old daughter whose vocabulary seems to expand every day. The things she says sound too "grown-up" for a barely three-year old toddler.

Recently, as Bree was about to leave to go to day-care, she gave me a hug and said, "I'll be careful." What? I had not said anything to her about "being careful." Why did she say that? It must be that she has heard her mother and I tell our older sons who drive to "be careful" as they leave for work and school.

This simple illustration reveals that children learn so much—whether good or bad—from parents. What they hear parents say, what they see parents do, they will likely say and do.

The Bible teaches that parents have an obligation to teach and train children to do what is right. Consider the following: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6). Although this statement is found in the Old Testament, rather than the New, the principle of this verse still applies to parents today. The words "train up a child," would certainly involve training children to pursue things in life which are good, honorable, and right.

The New Testament teaches the same principle: "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). To bring up children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord would certainly include: 1) teaching children to believe in the Lord; 2) teaching children about the Lord's Word, the Bible. Such teaching must be done by giving children instruction from the Bible, and by example. Teaching the Bible will be much more effective if the one teaching tries to set the proper example.

If we want our children to have good morals and ethics, those of us who are parents should teach these things by the Word and example. If we want our children to be faithful to God, we should teach them by the Word and example to be faithful to God. If we want our children to have strong, Christian homes one day, we should provide them with an example of a Christian home, and teach them to live the Christian life.

Every day our children are learning by the things we say and do. Let's be sure we are teaching them things which will help them become servants of God. We only get one shot at training our children. Let's make the most of it!

I hope my little girl, Bree, is having a good day...and I hope she will "be careful"!

## BUILDING CHRISTIAN FAMILIES

Charles Box

The family is a divine institution designed by God to meet man's needs. (Genesis 2:8-25) Society suffers when homes fail. Today's society is reaping the fruit of weak, ineffective, fractured and broken homes. From the beginning God's plan was for one MAN to be joined to one WOMAN for the duration of a lifetime. "For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband." (Romans 7:2) Home and family are serious matters to both the Father and the Son. Jesus said, "So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate." (Matthew 19:6) It is within the home that the man and his wife find love, companionship and also satisfaction for sexual desires. (1 Corinthians 7:2-5) God intended children be brought into the world and be brought up in a family with a father and a mother. Today the home is under attack by the Devil. In our fight against Satan let's do what we can to save our families.

### **Christian families are built on commitment.**

There must first be commitment of life to God by both the man and his wife (1 Corinthians 15:1-4; Mark 16:16) There must also be a commitment to one another. It takes much commitment to the happiness and well being of other family members to build a strong, Christian home. You must give unselfishly of your time, your strength, your possessions and yourself to build strong homes. Selfishness is the enemy of commitment.

**Christian families are strengthened by our service to God.** Christian families are always in attendance at the services of the church. "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:25) Missing even one church service or one Bible class you could attend sends the message to your children that Christianity really is not so important.

Prayer and Bible study also play a major role in building Christian families. Families must recognize that God is: (1) Eternal (Psalm 90:2), (2) All-powerful (Genesis 1:3), (3) Good (James 1:17), (4) Holy (1 Peter 1:16), and (5) Present everywhere. (Psalm 139) Strong, happy and successful families can never be built or strengthened without service to the one who established the first home - the Eternal God!

**Christian families are nurtured by appreciation for one another.** The need to be appreciated is one of mankind's greatest needs. Husbands, wives and children all share this common need. Our goal should be to express appreciation to our spouses, children and parents. "Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets." (Matthew 7:12) Expressing appreciation is simply the "Golden Rule" in action. It works!

**Christian families are maintained with kindness.** Kindness is an essential quality for every Christian family. "And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ forgave you." (Ephesians 4:32) "Tenderhearted" is a key expression. A person who is gentle, warm, caring and understanding will build up their family. Husbands are especially admonished to avoid harshness. "Husbands, love your wives and do not be bitter toward them." (Colossians 3:19) Simple courtesy and tenderness are necessary for strong families.

Christian families must: (1) Practice being friends, (2) Listen to each other, (3) Love one another, (4) Spend time together, (5) Have strong commitment to the family and to God, (6) Be kind and tenderhearted, (7) Forgive one another, (8) Appreciate each other, and (9) Help the other family members go to heaven. Strong families build strong churches. Are you a Christian? To become a Christian you must, hear the gospel of Christ (John 6:44-45), believe in Jesus (Acts 8:37), repent of sins (Luke 13:5), confess Christ as Lord (Romans 10:9-10) and be baptized to wash away your sins. (Acts 22:16) After your baptism into Christ, be a follower of that which is good. Christ "gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." (Titus 2:14).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**LADS TO LEADERS  
BIBLE BOWL & PEARLS TEST  
02/24/19 – After Morning Services**

**Ripley Church of Christ  
Christ is King Lectureship  
February 24-27, 2019**

### CHAPMAN GOSPEL MEETING

**March 17 – 20, 2019**

**Ken Tyler,  
Arab, AL**

**10:00 a.m. Sunday Bible Study**

**10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship:**

*Fellowship Meal to Follow*

**2:00 p.m. Sunday Evening**

**7:00 p.m. Monday-Wednesday Evening**

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*(Granddaughter of Barrett & Bobbye)*

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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY:** Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Bobby Burks (Bobbye Chapman's Cousin), Naomi Wilson (Joy Simmons' friend), Gilbert Koon (Randell's Brother).

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Susan Yancey, Michiel Criswell, Janie Chapman

•**HOSPITAL:** Joanie Kate Reese (LeBonheur-ICU)

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Starrett Chapman

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Pat Waide, Joanie Kate Reese, Carlin Johnson, Faye Jenkins, Linda Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Tony Morrison, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGaughy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Kay Thompson, Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith,, Rhonda Horton, Lanny Yancey (Treatments), Danny Yancey, Diane Hodges, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno.

•**SHUT-INS:** Resthaven: **Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter** (Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663), Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home: **Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman** (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).