

**March 13, 2016
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Announcements

Randell Koon

Song Leader

Dalton Beard

Scripture Reading

Chance Criswell

Opening Prayer

Bryan Davis (A.M.) Jarvene Shackelford(P.M.)

Closing Prayer

J C Newby (A.M.) John Hopper (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Andy Reese (Presiding),

Logan Yancey, Gene Yancey, Larry Wood

Count and Usher

Bobby Bridges

Rickey Loveless

Prepare Communion

Rita Smith & Lauren Carter

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Chris Moore (03/16/16)

OUR RECORD

March 6, 2016

Sunday Bible Study: 109

Sunday Morning Worship: 124

Sunday Evening Worship: 112

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 93

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$3,582

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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).

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PREACHER: Mark Lindley

Encouraging Words!

By Mike Riley

A group of frogs were traveling through the woods, and two of them fell into a deep pit. All the other frogs gathered around the pit. When they saw how deep the pit was, they told the unfortunate frogs they would never get out. The two frogs ignored the comments and tried to jump up out of the pit. The other frogs kept telling them to stop, that they were as good as dead.

Finally, one of the frogs took heed to what the other frogs were saying and simply gave up. He fell down and died. The other frog continued to jump as hard as he could. Once again, the crowd of frogs yelled at him to stop the pain and suffering and just die. He jumped even harder and finally made it out.

When he got out, the other frogs asked him, "Why did you continue jumping? Didn't you hear us?" The frog explained to them that he was deaf. He thought they were encouraging him the entire time!

This story teaches us two very powerful lessons:

1) There is power of life and death in the tongue (Proverbs 18:21) – An encouraging word to someone who is down can lift them up and help them make it through the day.

2) A destructive word to someone who is down can be what it takes to kill them (Proverbs 12:6) – Let's be careful of what we say! Speak life to those who cross our path! The power of words ... it is sometimes hard to understand that an encouraging word can go such a long way. Anyone can speak words that tend to rob another of the spirit to continue in difficult times.

Special is the individual who will take the time to encourage another. We desperately need this kind of individual in the church of our Lord today. We need more Christians like Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement" – Acts 4:36) to help build up and encourage others in the work of the Lord's church.

Brethren, may we always be an encouragement to others! May our lips speak words of encouragement instead of disparaging words. My prayer is that you will send this story to someone you would like to encourage today!

I JUST DID!

Now, That's Science!
By Bill Jackson, Deceased

Our local paper carried accounts of two science workshops in local schools, and in reading the accounts, we could see that science was truly at work. In one case, the earth's revolving around the sun was demonstrated by drawings and showing them in rapid sequence. That illustrated a point of science! In the other case, (1) A magnet pulled iron out of cereal, (2) Two chemicals formed to make a green goo, (3) Various powders were used to create bubbles and smoke of different colors, etc., and it was science! And that proves a point we have often made in the creation-evolution struggle. Science deals with that which is repeatable, testable, demonstrable.

Based on what science should be, one can observe the tadpole and his moving to the realm of the frog, and the caterpillar and his move to the butterfly. That is science! And, when students dissect the frog, there is his liver, and his kidney, etc. That is science! And, who in the world would object to such being known as science?

Against that which is clearly science, the "big bang" theory of the origin of matter is not science! That life came from non-life is not science! That man came from lower forms of life is not science! In the history of man on this planet, there has been no more outrageous instance of men inserting themselves into areas outside their fields any more than when "scientists" spout off about human or matter origins! We wish men would remain in their own fields!

Busy Signal
by: Rick Woodall

Horrible malicious words often come to the surface in this journey we call life. One can be endeavoring to do their very best. They pour their heart into all they strive to do with a positive spirit. The joy of the Lord's work is established in the fortitude and strength we find in a right relationship with God. Yet, in the shadows and cracks nearby we discover those who are fixed on quietly making life miserable. Jesus had to deal with this situation many times in His short 3-year ministry.

"And as He sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Him and His disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when He heard this, He said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick." - Matthew 9:10-12

There are many who have promoted themselves to higher positions with great imaginations. They see themselves as "watch dogs" for the faith. Many without knowing whom they are talking about or researching the facts spout off on unfounded gossip only to bring much impairment to the cause of the Gospel. Their winds blow furious like a raging hurricane and leave behind heaps of rubble to be cleaned up by the faithful.

While the attitudes in their statements do not leave us to wonder who is treacherous, the Bible clearly puts up the warning sign. This constant busy signal on the communication line reminding us that good people give clear proof of their thinking.

"The good person out of the good treasure of the heart produces good, and the evil person out of evil treasure produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks." - Luke 6:45

The way of thinking becomes a way of talking.

UPCOMING EVENTS



GOLDEN LIVING SINGING
Sunday, March 13th – 2:00 PM

CHAPMAN GOSPEL MEETING
March 20th – 23rd, 2016

Sam Jones,
Freed-Hardeman University

10:00 a.m. Sunday Bible Study

10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship:

Fellowship Meal to Follow

7:00 p.m. Sunday Evening:

"AREA-WIDE YOUTH NIGHT"

Mr. Jones will focus on our youth &
Fellowship Meal to Follow

*Ladies: Bring Chips/Dip, Desserts or Drinks
Pizza will be served.

7:00 p.m. Monday-Wednesday Evening

PROGRAMS OF WORK

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MISSION TRIP: Mallory Chapman and Winston Smith

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Ricky Cissom, Eli and Kyson Harris, Mason McAlister Joan Berryman

•**IN HOSPITAL:** Deborah Gullick (Tupelo/Rehab), Amy Chapman (168- Tupelo/Rehab), Audrey Box (Send Card: Memphis Jewish Home & Rehab., 36 Bazeberry Road, Cordova, TN 38018), Terry Jumper (Heart – Tupelo/CCU), Rhett Sanderson (Tupelo)

•**SURGERY:** Robin Chapman, Martha Presley

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Hollis Fowler (Frankie Fowler's Father), Connie Mauney, Shelby Cissom, Erik Longoria, Randall Hancock (Liver & Kidney Transplant - Dawn Stroupe's Father), Taylor Crawford, Genice Collette (Mildred Shackelford's Sister), Tony Morrison, Terry Jumper (myasthenia gravis), Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Fagin and Johnnie Carpenter, Sandra & Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Lester Wommack, Grady Chandler, Lorie Christian, Deborah Gullick (Mother of Stephanie McAlister, Bo & Brian Chapman), Doug Pannell, Don Allen Riggs (19, student at FU from El Paso, TX), has stage 3 cancer. Cards may be sent to Target House 1, 1811 Poplar Ave, Apt. 211, Memphis, TN 38104), Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Rodney Hilliard, Bob Shelton, Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Jennifer Pannell (Niece of Sharon Pannell), Merida Bane (Barrett & Starrett Chapman's Sister), Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Ann Bennett, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno, Ruth Greer, Margie James.

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