

March 31, 2019
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Tommy Wade

Song Leader

Larry Wood

Scripture Reading

Ross Shackelford

Opening Prayer

Randell Koon (A.M.) Young Men(P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Chris Moore (A.M.) Young Men (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Johnny Cissom(Presiding),

Ricky Cissom, Chance Criswell, Bobby Bridges

Count and Usher

Ricky Loveless, Danny Shackelford

Prepare Communion

Rita Smith & Karen Yancey

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Chris Moore (03/27/19)

OUR RECORD

March 24, 2019

Sunday Bible Study: 119

Sunday Morning Worship: 136

Sunday Evening Worship: 117

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 111

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: 3,898

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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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PREACHER: Mark Lindley

*[I thought the following article would be good in
view of our recent gospel meeting at Chapman. ML]*

DID OUR GOSPEL MEETING DO ANY GOOD?

Charles Box

Our meeting with Eric Lyons has now come and gone. Attendance was good and we again commend all of you who faithfully attended the meeting. Eric did his part. He did what Paul encouraged Timothy to do. He preached the word of God faithfully. Paul charged Timothy, "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." (2 Timothy 4:2) Any time God's word is preached good is done. "For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watered the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." (Isaiah 55:10-11) The good that was done in this meeting will continue into eternity. Gospel meetings remind us of the great opportunities that surround us daily. Paul said, "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries." (1 Corinthians 16:9) Great doors are open for the Walnut Street Church of Christ. It is our responsibility to use these opportunities for God's glory.

The meeting did eternal good because we were involved in the meeting and now we should continue to be involved in the work of Christ. Think of the good that could be done if we would all be active in the work of the church and participate in the work that is to be done. I need to make every possible effort to attend every assembly of the church. I need to make the work of this church "My" work. I need to be faithful to participate in the worship of the church and active to involve myself in the work of the church. Let us be active for Christ now. Our time is limited to work in the kingdom. "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work." (John 9:4) We were challenged in the meeting to give God proper place in our life. "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33) Did the gospel meeting do any good? Yes, the meeting did eternal good because we were encouraged to be active participants in the work of our Lord's one true church. "Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." (Ephesians 3:21)

The meeting did eternal good because we were involved in the meeting by inviting friends and family to attend and we should continue to bring visitors to the assembly. A number of us invited people to attend the meeting who actually came.

You had a positive, spiritual influence on some lost soul. I love what Moses said to father-in-law. "And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of Raguel the Midianite, Moses' father in law, "We are journeying unto the place of which the LORD said, I will give it you: come thou with us, and we will do thee good: for the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel." (Numbers 10:29) If every member of the Walnut Street Church of Christ would be serious about this one thing our growth would be phenomenal. Pick up visitors; sit with them; love them and make them feel at home. Keep inviting and keep bringing visitors. Listen, you must just keep working for God. "Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." (Philippians 2:12) Did the gospel meeting do any good? Yes, the meeting did eternal good because we had visitors who attended.

The meeting did eternal good because we were involved in the meeting by being attentive to little things and we must be always attentive. Attitudes were good during the meeting. You participated in the singing. We should always sing from our hearts. "Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The LORD hath done great things for them." (Psalms 126:2) During the meeting you listened to the sermons and you talked about the lessons. Let us always practice these things and visitors will be impressed. "Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all." (1 Timothy 4:15) Did the gospel meeting do any good? Yes, the meeting did eternal good because you listened to the sermons and you talked in a positive way about the lessons; you focused on little things.

The meeting did eternal good because we were enthusiastic about Christ and His church. Let us talk to others about Christ and His church. (Matthew 16:13-18) Talk to others about the good things which go on at the Walnut Street Church of Christ. Butler County is truly blessed that the Walnut Street Church of Christ is here. Let us talk up this wonderful church. Jesus is not just one savior among many. He is the only Savior. The Bible is not just one book among many. It is the only book. The church of Christ is not just one church among many. It is the only church. Jesus promised to build and preserve His church and He did just that. When only the Bible is planted, then only Christ's church will be produced. This is true because the gospel is the "word of the kingdom." (Matthew 13:19) Did the gospel meeting do any good? Yes, the meeting did eternal good because we were enthusiastic about Christ and His church.

God has always had a place in His service for those willing to be used. Are you in Christ? "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." (Galatians 3:26-27) Are you doing what you can do to serve God and to win others? "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." (1 Corinthians 15:58)

"GOOD ADVICE THEN AND NOW"
by Dalton Key

The words following were penned over one hundred years ago, in 1915, by a preacher of the gospel named Henry Deaver. They still live on as highly relevant and worth noting more than a century later:

"Let us dear brethren, keep the old gospel plow moving. Let us plow deep and wide. Don't cut and cover. Plow every inch of the ground and the church will have fewer unconverted men and women in it."

"Don't try to add men and women to the church. God will do this if the material is right. I fear there are many in the church, so to speak, that God didn't place there. Let us be careful how we build. Let us look more to quality than quantity. Don't beg people. If once you begin this way, when you have ceased begging, they will go pouting.

"Don't try to pull them in; if you do, when you quit pulling they will backslide. Don't try to fiddle people into the church. If you do, when you quit fiddling, they will fiddle out.

"Just preach the gospel plainly to people and keep right on preaching the gospel. Fill the honest heart with the Word of God. Remember Matthew 13:23; 'But he that received seed into good ground is he that heareth the word and understandeth it; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.'

The Bible, as always, is right and the right thing to preach. May we ever "keep on keeping on" in proclamation and defense of the gospel, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." (1 Corinthians 15:58.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

EGG HUNT

March 31st after meal.

EGG DECORATING

Saturday, March 30th at 10AM
in fellowship hall.

5th SUNDAY - March 31th

Fellowship meal (potluck) after morning services.
Evening service at 1:30 PM conducted
by Chapman young men.

CHAPMAN SPRING BRING Sunday, April 14th

We will have a fellowship meal (potluck)
followed by services at 1:30 p.m.

LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION April 18-21, 2019 MEMPHIS, TN

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Leland Ralph.

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Juan Stroupe

•**HOSPITAL:** Joanie Kate Reese (LeBonheur-ICU), Billy Gross (Corinth/ICU), Pat Shackelford (Tupelo)

Great to have Mr. Starrett Chapman back with us Sunday.

•**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:** Gary Michaels, 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).