

April 18, 2021  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Announcements**  
Randel Koon

**Sunday Song Leader**  
Larry Wood

**Wednesday Song Leader**  
Brice Lindley (04/12/21)

**Scripture Reading**  
Bobby Bridges

**Opening Prayer**  
Britt Lindley (AM)  
Chase Chapman (PM)

**Closing Prayer**  
Jeff Roberson (AM)  
Mason McAlister (PM)

**Count and Usher**  
Terry Chapman & Danny Shackelford

**Communion**  
Jarvene Shackelford

**Pick Up Communion when entering**

**OUR RECORD**

April 11, 2021  
Sunday Bible Study: 88  
Sunday Morning Worship: 111  
Sunday Evening Worship: 82  
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 75  
Budget: \$3,500  
Contribution this week: NA

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# THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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Jarvene Shackelford, Tommy Wade

**DEACONS:** Bryan Davis, John Hopper,  
Rickey Loveless, Chris Moore, Kevin Shackelford,  
Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood

**PREACHER:** Mark Lindley

## IT DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE NO. 4

James Pilgrim

The writer's father-in-law was named Sam Keisling Tyler, called Sam by most. Sam's oldest daughter, the writer's wife, is named Sammie Joyce. She is called Sammie by most. Her father-in-law and mother-in-law affectionately called her Sammie Joyce. The writer has a brother named Paul Samuel, called Sammy by the majority. The penman and his wife have three children, named James Samuel, called James, Gary Dan, called Gary and Donna Joy McMillin, whom we call Donna. It makes a difference what each of these is called if one desires to be accurate, even the spelling of their names.

Similarly, it makes a difference what one calls Bible things if one desires to be correct. Churches of Christ have accurately taught through the years that one should call Bible things by Bible names, do Bible things in Bible ways, with love in the heart for all. When this is done, the unity called for in 1 Corinthians 1:10 can and will be achieved. An example of this is seen in what the church is called. Look around you or in a directory to see the many different things people call churches today. For example, Methodist, Baptist, Catholic, Bahai World Faith, Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormon, Nazarene, and scores of others. Read the word of God to see what God called His people. Jesus called His people "my church" and "the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 16:18, 19; Acts 2:47; Colossians 1:13). It is called "the church of God" (1 Corinthians 1:1), "the body" and "the body of Christ" (Colossians 1:18; 1 Corinthians 12:13, 27). God called the church the "family" (Ephesians 3:15), his "household" (Luke 12:42), "household of faith" (Galatians 6:10), "household of God" (Ephesians 2:19). A good concordance (for example, Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible) will reveal a number of other things the church was called by the one who purposed it before the foundation of the world. (Ephesians 3:10, 11). Would calling the church by Bible names, titles, or descriptions make a difference? **YES!!! A thousand times, YES!!!** Question: Why do people persist in calling the church by man-made names since they contribute to religious division. One frequently hears a question similar to the following: "What kind of a Christian are you?" The response is usually something like, "I am a Christian", using one of the names above, or some other. Beloved, there were not many types of Christians in the first century Church. They were one, wearing the same name, believing and teaching the same thing. When they did not do so, they were corrected. (Galatians 1:6-9). We can be the same by following the same pattern. Make a difference.

## We Need More Bible Study By Bill Brandstatter

Before becoming a Christian, Bible study is important. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God (Rom. 10:17). After a person becomes a Christian, Bible study is vital. How I divide the Bible and how I handle it is important. (2 Tim. 2:15) It is significant to understand the importance of the Bible and why we need to study it on a daily basis.

The Bible is God speaking to us. Paul indicated, "All scripture is given by the inspiration of God." (2 Tim. 3:16) Peter acknowledged that "Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." (2 Pet. 1:21) God speaks from His Word. God speaks to us by His Son. (Heb. 1:2) Are you listening?

The Bible is a lamp and a light. (Ps. 119:105) The Bible can help us to better understand life and its difficulties. It can also provide us with all that we need to face temptation and all that this world throws at us. Paul advises that we "put on the whole armor of God." (Eph. 6:11) Without the Bible in our lives, Satan cannot be resisted effectively.

The Bible is man's source for the future. I don't know what the future holds, but I know I have a future and I know it is in God's hands. After death, every person has a future. The Bible says, "It is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment." (Heb. 9:27 NKJV) That future involves eternity. Jesus said the future is either everlasting punishment or eternal life. (Matt. 25:46) Where I spend eternity depends on what I do now. The words of Jesus and our obedience to them will be the determining factor in judgment. (Jno.12:48; Heb. 5:8, 9)

The Bible is our source for the right equipment in life. Paul wrote that through the Scriptures, "the man of God may be "complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work". (2 Tim. 3:17 NKJV) Man cannot provide the equipment that the Bible does. How equipped are we to handle tragedy in our lives?

Remember, Paul stated, "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Rom. 10:17) Without the Bible I would not have the faith I need to get through this life or get to eternity.

Do you need to study the Bible more? God will bless us and heaven could be our home if we "receive with meekness the implanted word which is able to save your souls." (James 1:21)

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Remember to count your blessings, pray for our lost ones, the sick, the world and the broken-hearted.

•**SICK:** Treva Lewellen

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Romia Palmer, Patti Hall, Johnny Cissom, George Doss, Joanie Kate Reese, Louise Pannell, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Mitch Fowler (Kevin Shackelford's co-worker), Marie Brumley, Keith Hall, Hermie Henry (Bonnie Hurt's Mother), Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith, Betty Faye Ledbury, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Niani Colom-Omotesa

•**SHUT-INS:** Resthaven: **Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter** (Mailing: Resthaven Nursing Home, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663)

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# Oh Boy!

Please Join Us to Honor  
the Mom-to-Be

**BRYANA GAILLARD**

Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>

3:30-4:30PM

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