

July 3, 2022

Announcements
Ross Shackelford

Song Leader
Logan Yancey

Scripture Reading
Mason McAlister

Opening Prayer
Terry Chapman (A.M.)
Tim McMillin (P.M.)

Closing Prayer
Rickey Cissom (A.M.)
Eli Carter (P.M.)

Lord's Table
Bryan Davis

Count and Usher
Michiel Criswell & Britt Lindley

Wednesday Night Song Leader
Brock Lindley (07/06/22)

OUR RECORD

June 26, 2022

Sunday Bible Study: 83
Sunday Morning Worship: 98
Sunday Evening Worship: 70
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 79

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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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A CHURCH THAT MEETS "MY NEEDS" Mark Lindley

It isn't uncommon in our day to hear someone say that he is looking for a church that "meets his needs." Instead of looking for a church that is pleasing to the Lord, some set out on a quest to find the church that offers the most fun and games, entertainment, and social activities. There is a growing tendency to make the church fit us, rather than changing our lives to fit God's divine pattern for the church. The church of the Bible is not a type of social club. Rather, the Lord's church is to focus primarily on man's spiritual needs.

Therefore, a church that truly meets my needs is one that will teach me about the tragic consequences of sin and how to be saved from those consequences (Romans 6:23; John 8:24; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Revelation 2:10).

A church that meets my needs will correct me when I stray. Paul wrote: "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted" (Galatians 6:1).

A church that meets my needs will support the faithful preaching of God's Word even when it "steps on my toes." Scripture admonishes: "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (II Timothy 4:2). Paul did not fail to preach "all the counsel of God" (Acts 20:27).

A church that meets my needs will teach me to worship God "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). Otherwise, I cannot be a "true worshiper" (John 4:23). God, not man, determines how man is to approach Him in worship.

A church that meets my needs is one that will instruct me that the Lord expects me to be holy, separate from the world (I Peter 1:15-16).

A church that meets my needs will teach me to share the Good News of the Gospel with others (Matthew 28:19-20).

While we enjoy many secular activities with the church, let's never forget that the church is a divine institution designed to meet our *spiritual* needs.

BE YE FOLLOWERS OF ME James Pilgrim

The Holy Spirit moved Paul (2 Peter 1:20, 21; Galatians 1:11, 12) to write, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." (1 Corinthians 11:1). Paul did not ask the Corinthian Church (1 Corinthians 1:2) to blindly follow him. Neither did the beloved "apostle of Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 1:1) ask them to follow him in any sincerely but misguided (wrong) matter. Paul asked "the saints" (1 Corinthians 1:2) at Corinth to follow him "even as I also am of Christ." (1 Corinthians 11:1). This would require each one to know what Paul was doing and "all that Jesus both began to do and teach." (Acts 1:1). What would the church be like if every Christian did this? What would the world be like if every person obeyed Jesus (Faith, Hebrews 11:6; Repentance, Acts 17:30, 31; Confession, Matthew 10:32, 33; and Baptism, Acts 22:16) and lived faithfully? (Mark 13:13).

Jodie Criswell has been hospitalized for several weeks, and has had two (2) surgeries. He seems to have had two (2) desires. One is to recover, go home, and take care of himself. The one that seemed to be foremost in his mind was to be able to worship with the Chapman Church and lead the congregation in "teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Colossians 3:16), "in the midst of the church" (Hebrews 2:12), which he has marvelously and faithfully done for many years.

Our brother may be in his upper eighties, but he has not forgotten Hebrews 10:25, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." Brother Criswell is thankful for his progress (1 Thessalonians 5:17, 18), yet he yearns for the day when he can enjoy the fellowship of and worship (Acts 2:42, 46) with those of "like precious faith." (2 Peter 1:1). What would the church be like if all attended all services possible. A deceased preacher wrote, "Enthusiasm is as contagious as the measles." Be enthusiastic about every aspect of the church. Spread the fire. (Romans 12:11). Increase the church's number. Increase heaven's number. "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:11) and "the joy of thy lord" (Matthew 25:21, 23), let us "persuade men." (2 Corinthians 5:11). Beloved, may each one imitate those who follow Jesus faithfully. This church has a good number of examples to follow, as do other churches.

Baby Smith It's a boy!

There will be a box placed in the foyer for those who would like to give a gift to Winston, Mallory, & baby boy. We are anxiously awaiting his arrival and continuing to keep them ALL in our prayers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapman Vacation Bible School July 10 - 13th

Sunday AM: 10:00AM

Sunday PM: 2:00 PM (Evening
Service 2:00PM – VBS immediately
following)

Mon – Wed 6:00-7:30 PM

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Ladies see food list in foyer.

Prize for the boy & girl
who bring the most visitors!
Start inviting!

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

*So thankful to have
Joy Simmons back with us.*

SICK SUNDAY: Wilma Wood, Jill & Rickey Loveless, Romia Palmer, Britt Lindley, Katherine Farese

SURGERY RECOVERY : Dala Vandygriff

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Gerohn Childs, Junior Derrick, Jane Morrison, Patti Hall, George Doss, Joanie Kate Reese, Louise Pannell, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Jimmie Wayne Roberson, Johnnie Carpenter, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Steve Barnes (Mickey & Gail Chandler's Son-in-law), Betty Faye Ledbury,

•**SHUT-INS:** *Tippah County Health & Rehab:* Romia Palmer #204, Jimmy Berryman, *Resthaven:* Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter

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