

**July 10, 2016
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Announcements

Tommy Wade

Song Leader

Keith Newby

Scripture Reading

Bobby Bridges

Opening Prayer

Ricky Cissom (A.M.) Bryan Davis (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Michiel Criswell (A.M.) Brock Lindley (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Larry Wood (Presiding),

Starrett Chapman, Danny Shackelford, David Smith

Count and Usher

Andy Reese

J C Newby

Prepare Communion

Robin Chapman & Molly Moore

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brock Lindley (07/13/16)

OUR RECORD

July 3, 2016

Sunday Bible Study: 105

Sunday Morning Worship: 130

Sunday Evening Worship: 86

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 110

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Contribution this week: \$3,611

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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

**This World is not My Home
David Hersey**

As the words of a popular song say, "This world is not my home; I'm just a passing thru. My treasures are laid up somewhere beyond the blue". Jesus says, "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also (Matthew 6:20-21). We must lay up our treasures in heaven, not here on the earth. The Bible says, "And as it is appointed for man to die once, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). When we draw our last breath, what we have accumulated here on the earth will go to someone else. After we pass from this life our fate is sealed and we will be judged by what is written in the word of God (John 12:48).

Life here on earth is so temporary and short. Life passes so quickly. James 4:14 says, "Whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away." Many people are living their lives as though they will live forever here on the earth. One day this earth and all of its possessions will be burned up. No one knows when this will be. "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness" (2 Peter 3:10-11).

As the words of the song continue to say, "If heaven is not my home, then Lord what will I do?" For the vast majority of people, heaven will not be their home (Matthew 22:14). Their home will be a real and never ending hell in which they will be "tormented day and night forever and ever in burning fire and brimstone" (Revelation 20:10, 15). But for the few whose home is heaven, "God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

The apostle Paul was longing to leave this world and go home to heaven. He says, "For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you...For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:23-24, 3:20).

As mortal human beings we cannot begin to imagine how great and wonderful heaven will be. We cannot comprehend its glory. Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 2:9. "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." We have, "an inheritance incorruptible and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you" (1 Peter 1:4), "knowing that you have a better and enduring possession for yourselves in heaven" (Hebrews 10:34). As human beings we are eternal in that we have a soul that lives forever in one of two places. Our home will be either heaven or hell. We make the choice as to where we will go while we are here on Earth. If one is not preparing to go to heaven he will end up in hell.

Jesus taught, "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness..." (Matthew 6:33). Our number one goal in this life must be for heaven to be our home. "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it" (Matthew 7:13-14). No one will accidentally go to heaven.

**Behind Me
By H. L. Gradowith**

I'm gonna lay down all of this life's burdens
And I'm gonna lay down all of this life's cares,
Yes I'm gonna leave them all far behind me
When I reach that Lovely Country over There!

I'm gonna leave all my frowns behind me
And I'm gonna have a heart that never breaks;
The Lord's gonna wipe all the tears from my eyes
Up There in that Lovely Land of no mistakes!

The Lord will give me all I ever need There!
Yes, the Lord will call my name and say, Well done!
I will never want up There for anything!
When, at long last, my Savior welcomes me Home!

**Are You Reclining, Whining, or Shining?
By Edd Sterchi**

It seems to me that there are three kinds of church members. Let's briefly examine each and, as we do so, please honestly examine your part in the church and see which you are:

* There are those who recline. They just sit back and watch everything going on around them. They are never more involved than just "warming the pew" from time to time. God wants us involved with the church because, "He who is slothful in his work is a brother to him who is a great destroyer" (Pro. 18:9).

* There are those who whine. Sadly, other church members may be active, but they are involved with other members' business. They seem to spend the majority of their time and resources complaining. God wants us to focus on harmony and make sure we "do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned" (Jas. 5:9).

* There are those who shine. Gladly, there are church members who possess a great attitude and are working heartily for the Lord. They are busy doing the Lord's will and singing along the way. They are shimmering example of faithfulness and fruitfulness. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matt. 5:16).

Paul had instructions concerning all of these in Phil. 2:14-15, "Do all things (that's the opposite of reclining) without complaining or disputing (that's the opposite of whining), that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world (that's being a shining example)."

So, Christian, are you reclining, whining, or shining?

UPCOMING EVENTS

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Betty Carroll, Ruby Jeter (*Sister-in-law of Juanita Michael*) and Sam Cunningham, passed away July 4th of a heart attack. He was the band director of the RHS Tiger band and was loved by many. He was a member of the West Corinth Church of Christ.

•Glad to announce that Rhett Sanderson got to come home.

•**HOME RECOVERING:** Audrey Box, Deborah Gullick, Pat Morgan (Robin Criswell's Mother), Blair Chapman

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Guy Stroupe, Willie Jeanes, Hollis Fowler (Frankie Fowler's Father), Ed James Pannell, Connie Mauney, Randall Hancock (Liver & Kidney Transplant - Dawn Stroupe's Father), Taylor Crawford, Genice Collette (Mildred Shackelford's Sister), Tony Morrison, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Fagin and Johnnie Carpenter, Sandra & Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Wayne Crabb, 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, Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Jennifer Pannell (Niece of Sharon Pannell), Merida Bane (Barrett & Starrett Chapman's Sister), Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, 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*).