

**October 1, 2017  
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Announcements**

Larry Wood

**Song Leader**

Brad McAlister

**Scripture Reading**

Bo Chapman

**Opening Prayer**

Terry Chapman (A.M.) Jeff Staggs (P.M.)

**Closing Prayer**

Bryan Davis (A.M.) Starrett Chapman (P.M.)

**Lord's Table**

Tommy Wade (Presiding),

John Hopper, Palmer Jones, Ricky Cissom

**Count and Usher**

Chase Chapman & Devin McVey

**Prepare Communion**

Angela Bridges & Dala Vandygriff

**Wednesday Night Song Leader**

Mason McAlister (10/04/17)

**OUR RECORD**

September 24, 2017

Sunday Bible Study: 135

Sunday Morning Worship: 145

Sunday Evening Worship: 130

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 128

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$5,057

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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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**ELDERS:** Barrett Chapman, Terry Chapman, Joel Moore,  
Jarvene Shackelford, Tommy Wade  
**DEACONS:** Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless,  
Brad McAlister, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood  
**PREACHER:** Mark Lindley

## CHAPMAN'S BRIGHT FUTURE By James Pilgrim

Four of Chapman's young men, twenty-two and younger, served the Lord's Supper to the church recently. They are following in the footsteps of older men who have done this for years. One cannot help but be encouraged upon seeing this. Young ladies have been seen following in the footsteps of their mothers and older saintly Christian women. It is most encouraging to see brethren, male or female, who have served well for so many years continuing in the Lord's vineyard, and also to behold younger ones doing the work today, planning to carry on when the older Christians are gone. What a joy to be able to see young and old worshipping God in spirit and in truth. (John 4:24). God left His work to be done by Christians.

The focus of this article is the future of the Lord's church at Chapman. Thank you older Christians for setting the proper example for these young boys and girls to follow. These young people will one day have to shoulder this work. They will have to teach the younger boys and girls how to carry on the Lord's will. (Titus 2:1-8). Hopefully, they will be faithful to keep the church doctrinally sound, being zealous and encouraging the same. The fervent prayers of the Christians at Chapman is that these young people will study properly (2 Timothy 2:15), being faithful to speak as the oracles of God (1 Peter 4:11), doing all things by the authority of Christ (Colossians 3:17), and such like. These young men and women are seen growing "in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." (2 Peter 3:18).

The prayers of saints is that people will be brought to Christ as a result of the good examples of the Chapman youth as they mature in word, conversation, charity, spirit, faith, and purity. (1 Timothy 4:12; 2 Timothy 2:2). What a great start and challenge for the youth. What a powerful message the young can send to school mates, the church, the community, and to all. Young people, obey God in youth, realizing that the health and stamina you now enjoy will one day end. Give God your best while you have it. Cf. Ecclesiastes 12:1ff. Above all, heed Solomon's conclusion to it all, "Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man." The word "duty" is not in the original text. The idea is that fearing God and keeping His commandments is what man is all about, what one should desire to do. Solomon had it all (1 Kings thru 2 Chronicles), but he concluded that genuine happiness and hope is in looking at material things as they are, vanity (Ecclesiastes 12:8), while serving God is profitable in all. (1 Timothy 4:8). Are you a Christian?

If not, see or call someone to assist you in obeying the gospel right now. (2 Corinthians 6:2). Then, live the Christian life faithfully (Revelation 2:10), so that you can live eternally in heaven. (John 14:6; Matthew 25:46).

Though this article is written with young people in mind, it also applies to older. Question to each one, whether young or old: Why am I lingering? What hinders me from obeying God today? I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God (Matthew 3:17). I repent of any sin I have committed. (Acts 17:30, 31). I just need to confess my faith to someone (Romans 10:9, 10), and be baptized to wash away my sins (Acts 2:38), enter Jesus (Galatians 3:26, 26), and be added by the Lord to His church. (Acts 2:47). I am ready! I will lay this article down and do so without tarrying (Acts 22:16).

**Commitment of a Solider**  
**by: Cory Waddell**

On Jeopardy one night, the final question was "How many steps does the guard take during his walk across the tomb of the Unknowns?"— All three missed it—

1. How many steps does the guard take during his walk across the tomb of the Unknowns and why? 21 steps. It alludes to the twenty-one gun salute, which is the highest honor given any military or foreign dignitary.
2. How long does he hesitate after his about face to begin his return walk and why? 21 seconds for the same reason as answer number 1.
3. Why are his gloves wet? His gloves are moistened to prevent his losing his grip on the rifle.
4. Does he carry his rifle on the same shoulder all the time and if not, why not? He carries the rifle on the shoulder away from the tomb. After his march across the path, he executes an about face and moves the rifle to the outside shoulder.
5. How often are the guards changed? Guards are changed every thirty minutes, twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year.

6. What are the physical traits of the guard limited to? For a person to apply for guard duty at the tomb, he must be between 5' 10" and 6' 2" tall and his waist size cannot exceed 30."

Other requirements of the Guard: They must commit 2 years of life to guard the tomb, live in a barracks under the tomb, and cannot drink any alcohol on or off duty for the rest of their lives. They cannot swear in public for the rest of their lives and cannot disgrace the uniform {fighting} or the tomb in any way. After two years, the guard is given a wreath pin that is worn on their lapel signifying they served as guard of the tomb. There are only 400 presently worn. The guard must obey these rules for the rest of their lives or give up the wreath pin. The shoes are specially made with very thick soles to keep the heat and cold from their feet. There are metal heel plates that extend to the top of the shoe in order to make the loud click as they come to a halt. There are no wrinkles, folds or lint on the uniform. Guards dress for duty in front of a full-length mirror. The first six months of duty a guard cannot talk to anyone, nor watch TV. All off duty time is spent studying the 175 notable people laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery. A guard must memorize who they are and where they are interred. Among the notables are:

President Taft, Joe E. Lewis {the boxer} and Medal of Honor winner Audie Murphy, {the most decorated soldier of WWII} of Hollywood fame. Every guard spends five hours a day getting his uniforms ready for guard duty. In 2003 as Hurricane Isabelle was approaching Washington, DC, our US Senate/ House took 2 days off with anticipation of the storm.

On the ABC evening news, it was reported that because of the dangers from the hurricane, the military members assigned the duty of guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier were given permission to suspend the assignment. They respectfully declined the offer, "No way, Sir!" Soaked to the skin, marching in the pelting rain of a tropical storm, they said that guarding the Tomb was not just an assignment; it was the highest honor that can be afforded to a serviceperson. The tomb has been patrolled continuously, 24/7, since 1930. God Bless and keep them. ... These soldiers willingly give up what some call "joys of life" so they can guard one of our nation's most cherished monuments. They call this "not just an assignment, [but] the highest honor that can be afforded to a serviceperson."

As Christians, are we willing to commit our lives and sacrifice "joys of life" because of the great honor of being called a child of God? Many times being one of God's people requires some kind of sacrifice. I am reminded of Luke 9:23 when Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, let him DENY HIMSELF and take up his cross DAILY." Consider the perception you have of the Christian walk. Is it burden or is it "the highest honor that can be afforded to a holy serviceperson."

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**REMINDER:**  
**SUNDAY EVENING TIME - 2:00PM**

**October 1, 2017**  
**Chapman Singing**  
Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home  
at 3:30 PM

**Pine Vale Children's Home**  
**Fall Food Drive:**  
Items requested:  
**BBQ SAUCE**  
**ZIPLOCS: QUART/GALLON/SANDWICH**  
**PAPER TOWELS**

*Please place items in the kitchen by classrooms.*  
*Will be picked up the first week of October.*

**CHAPMAN FISH FRY**  
Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM  
Ladies please bring desserts.

**CHAPMAN'S TRUNK-R-TREAT/  
HOTDOG ROAST/HAYRIDE**  
Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6PM

**NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS**  
If you haven't signed up, please do so.  
Details are in the foyer.  
**October 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>**  
Any questions, please see Karen.

**PROGRAMS OF WORK**  
**Website: chapmanchurch.com**  
Articles • Sermons (Audio) • Chapman Challengers  
**The Bible Broadcast**  
Sunday Mornings at 8 AM • WKZU radio 104.9 FM  
**Southern Sentinel Article**  
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Study the Bible in your home, at your convenience, by enrolling in a free Bible correspondence course.  
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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

•Families affected by Hurricane Harvey and Irma.

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Gearlene Cissom, Joan Berryman, Everett Hurt, Tony Morrison

•**HOSPITAL:** Joanie Kate Reese (LeBonheur/ Memphis – Send Cards: 401 CR 604, Ripley, MS)

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Palmer Jones, Rhonda Newby, Curtis Mauney, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father)

•**NEW ADDRESS:** Sonia Derrick, 206 Bramlett Blvd., Oxford, MS 38655 (Please send cards.)

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Cortney Cissom, David Young, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Phillip Wood, David Moffitt, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Johnny Johnson, Betty Faye Ledbury, Chester Smith, Lana Waldon, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, 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: **Bonnie Chapman, Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman** (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).