#### October 22, 2023

Announcements Randell Koon

Song Leader Brad McAlister

Scripture Reading Tim McMillin

Opening Prayer Rickey Loveless (A.M.) Logan Yancey (P.M.)

Closing Prayer Tommy Wade (A.M.) Tripp Yancey (P.M.)

> Lord's Table David Smith

Count and Usher
Bobby Bridges & Bryan Davis

Wednesday Night Song Leader Tripp Yancey (10/25/23)

#### **OUR RECORD**

October 15, 2023

Sunday Bible Study: 95 Sunday Morning Worship: 115 Sunday Evening Worship 88 Wednesday Night Bible Study: 88

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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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# THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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**PREACHER: Mark Lindley** 

## THE UNIMPORTANT CHURCH MEMBER Mark Lindley

Have you ever met a member the church who was know the unimportant? You type—the one who says, "My presence in worship services is really not important. After all, I'm not a preacher, Bible class teacher, or a song leader." Or someone might say, "I'm just a one-talent man. The service render to the church is not very significant."

Are people who say such things right? Are some members of the church unimportant? Paul wrote concerning those who think they are unimportant: "Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary" Corinthians 12:22). Evidently, some church members in Corinth felt that they were not as important as others who had certain spiritual gifts (I Corinthians 12:31). Those who had the gift of tongues were thought to be special (I Corinthians 14). Paul told them that just as each member of one's physical body is important, each member of the church (the Lord's spiritual body) is important as well.

Though the spiritual gifts of I Corinthians 12 are no longer in the church today, the principle taught by Paul is applicable. There is a place of service for every member of the church, regardless of one's ability or age. you might ask, "What can I do?" The following are just some of the things you can do: mail cards to the sick, invite others to services, attend all the services, welcome visitors with a warm smile, visit the ill and those who are shutin, help distribute tracts, cook meals for those who are ill, call and encourage those who are unfaithful, comfort the bereaved and a host of other things.

Whatever service you offer the church, remember that your work is important. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (I Corinthians 15:58). There are no unimportant church members!

#### Seeing The Blessings Instead Of The Sorrows By Joseph D. Chase

It really is up to you! You can see the myriad of problems that plague us in this world and worry about them. You can complain about them, You could curse them or many other actions. However, there is only one way that we, God's family, ought to respond to these troubles...

God has given us the opportunity to shine our lights before men and so glorify the God of heaven (Matthew 5:16). I can decide to work for the Lord and right wrongs that I see, lift up the broken and hurting. I can become a part of God's solution for a lost and dying world..."Go out and make disciples...", visit the poor, the widowed, the orphan (James 1:27), offer a simple cup of cool water in the name of our Lord Jesus. When we do the Lord's work it makes the world a better place. We bless and are blessed when we view problems as opportunities.

It won't be easy, but I assure you it will be worthwhile.

#### Cancel Culture for Christians By Edd Sterchi

We are in a time referred to as cancel culture. Cancel culture is the act of destroying someone's life over the fact that they disagree with popular opinion. The Christian, however, should have a different take on "cancel culture." Notice, for example:

- \* We should cancel negativism and pessimism.
- \* We should cancel prejudice.
- \* We should cancel immoral thoughts.
- \* We should cancel sin.
- \* We should cancel false doctrine.

Rather than focusing on destroying others' lives, let's focus on improving our own — by doing such we will be doing our part to make the world better. "And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit." (Gal. 5:24-25)

#### A Plea For Prayers

Please pray for spiritual and numerical growth for the Chapman Congregation in 2023.

#### **TEXT ALERTS**

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Pine Vale Children's Home 2023 Fall Food Drive

Thanks for your help with this year's Fall Food Drive. We collected over \$500!

CHAPMAN'S TRUNK-R -TREAT & HOTDOG ROAST October 28th at 5:30 PM

CHAPMAN SENIOR'S YOUNG AT HEART Brunch – Fellowship Hall November 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM

CHAPMAN FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY

November 19<sup>th</sup>

Meal following AM Service - PM Service at 1:30



Brad & Stephanie McAlister
401 CR 606, Ripley, MS
OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>
FROM 3:30 PM TO 4:30 PM

*Kathy Moore* 60 CR 625, Booneville, MS NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>

FROM 3:30 PM TO 4:30 PM

#### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Billie Floyd Hopkins and Tom Muir (Cindy Pruitt's Brother-in-law).

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

**SICK SUNDAY:** Bobbye Chapman, Everett Hurt, Joy Simmons, Lamar Criswell, Wilma Wood, Martha Presley, Karen Yancey

**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), Ella Bridges

**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Joanie Kate Reese, Olivia Pounders, Garrison Coats, Joe Clark, Louise Pannell (Sharon's Mother), Malone Hurt, George Doss, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry, Juanita Michael

CANCER: Dorothy Hopper (John's Mother) Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Deborah Williams (Kim Lindley's Aunt), Ralph Shaw (Janie Chapman's Son-in-law), Shelia Fleming (Mark Lindley's Aunt), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Trish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Betty Faye Ledbury

SHUT-INS: *Tippah County Health & Rehab:* Romia Palmer, Jimmy Berryman, Peggy Davis, Joe Clark

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