

October 27, 2019
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Tommy Wade

Song Leader

Brad McAlister

Scripture Reading

Tripp Yancey

Opening Prayer

Michiel Criswell (A.M.)

Palmer Jones (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Jarvene Shackelford (A.M.)

Barrett Chapman(P.M.)

Lord's Table

Ricky Cissom (Presiding),

John Hopper, Kevin Shackelford, Randell Koon

Count and Usher

Bobby Bridges & Devin McVey

Prepare Communion

Robin Chapman & Molly Moore

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brock Lindley (10/30/19)

OUR RECORD

October 20, 2019

Sunday Bible Study: 100

Sunday Morning Worship: 127

Sunday Evening Worship: 139

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 98

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: 3,648

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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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UNFEIGNED FAITH

Mark Lindley

The apostle Paul had great confidence in Timothy. Paul recognized that Timothy had true, sincere faith in the Lord. Consider the following statement Paul wrote to Timothy: "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also" (II Timothy 1:5). Notice the reference to the "unfeigned faith" that Timothy possessed. The term "unfeigned" means "sincere, without hypocrisy." It was this sincere faith that made Timothy such a dependable, loyal servant of Christ. Timothy truly believed in God, Christ, and the Holy Spirit. He demonstrated his faith by faithful service to the Lord.

Sincere faith is desperately needed today. Faith in God and the Bible is under attack. Atheists are writing books, giving lectures and becoming increasingly bold in their opposition to faith. Young people who have developed faith often go away to college where unbelieving professors destroy their faith in God. The "nones" group—those who claim no particular religious affiliation—is growing, and many churches are dwindling. In days past, Sunday was considered a special day, the Lord's day, but now it is just another day to cut grass, golf or go to the lake.

What is the solution? What will change the attitude of religious indifference so prevalent in our day? The answer is sincere (unfeigned) faith.

However, the only way to develop unfeigned faith is by reading or hearing the word of God (John 20:30-31; Romans 10:17). There is no quick-fix, and no shortcuts. The Bible—the Word of God—is the answer to weak, insincere faith and unbelief. Unless people learn its precious precepts, faith will continue to erode, church attendance will decline, and religious indifference will prevail.

On one occasion Jesus asked, "When the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" (Luke 18:8). The answer to that question depends on whether people learn the teachings of Scripture. No Bible study; no faith.

In view of these things, one should ask: How strong is my faith? Do I possess "sincere" faith? Is my faith strong enough to inspire me to faithfully serve Christ? How much time do I spend studying the Bible? Honestly answering these questions...just might help.

This Really Happened!

On Sunday, March 25, 1979 a family placed membership at one of the churches of Christ in Arkansas. This isn't significant news at all. In fact, we probably visualize three or four people walking down the aisle at the singing of the invitation song, sitting down on the front row, putting their names on a card, then checking the little box in front of "To Place Membership." They may have done that, but the significant thing is that they did more than that. They handed the elders — no, not a letter of recommendation, but their own letter. It read:
"We are asking to commit the welfare of our souls to your care. Although the weakness of the flesh often betrays us, the prime objective of our lives is obtaining salvation for ourselves, our children, and our fellow man. We therefore ask with all sincerity that you help us in every way possible to be successful in this endeavor. Besides spiritual food, encouragement, and fellowship, we fully expect that the help you give might well take the form of numerous requests to serve, instruct, correct, and if necessary, even discipline.

With this in mind, we ask that when and if either of us responds in a negative fashion to a request or fails to measure up in a given task that you not write us off but help us grow and as soon as possible try us again. We view membership in this congregation as an obligation to be subject to its eldership, to be helpful and encouraging to all its members, and to take an active part in its work. We, therefore, state our intentions to give freely of our time, our talents, and our money in order to fulfill that obligation."

This really happened! And it should still be happening throughout our brotherhood today!

Tim Woodward

"The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed: Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock"

-I Peter 5:1-3

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHAPMAN'S TRUNK-R-TREAT/HOTDOG ROAST/HAYRIDE

Saturday, October 26th
5:00 to 5:30 – Set Up Trunks
5:30 to 6:30 – Trick or Trunk
6:30 – Meal

Hayride

Food Sign-Up List in Foyer

Pine Vale Children's Home Fall Food Drive:

Items requested:

**Gallon Ziplock Bags, Parmesan
Cheese**

Cream of Chicken or Mushroom Soup

Please place items in the kitchen by classrooms.

Will be picked up October 28th.

Chapman Area Wide Ladies Bible Class

Thursday, November 7 at 6:30PM

Speaker: Berta Kennedy

"Whatever Is Praiseworthy"

PROGRAMS OF WORK

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Buddy Gross (Grandfather of Jeff Staggs), Lee Bonds (Ola Wade's Sister) and Al Franks.

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Brice Lindley

•**HOSPITAL:** Debbie Chapman (ICU/Tupelo)

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Keith Newby, Vivian Hill, Bobbye Chapman

•**TEST:** Loretta Criswell

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Pat Waide, Joanie Kate Reese, Linda Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Tony Morrison, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Keith Hall, Hermie Henry (Bonnie Hurt's Mother), Kay Thompson, Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith, Lanny Yancey (Treatments), Danny Yancey, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-Omotesa

•**SHUT-INS:** Resthaven: **Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter** (Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663), Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home: **Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman, Earnestine Murphy** (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).