

**October 29, 2017
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Announcements

Larry Wood

Song Leader

Keith Newby

Scripture Reading

David Smith

Opening Prayer

Michiel Criswell (A.M.) Young Men (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Barrett Chapman (A.M.) Young Men (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

Keith Newby (11/01/17)

OUR RECORD

October 22, 2017

Sunday Bible Study: 119

Sunday Morning Worship: 137

Sunday Evening Worship: 116

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 130

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$4,086

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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

IN MEMORY OF BLAIR CHAPMAN

The Chapman church of Christ recently suffered a great loss. Blair Tigrett Chapman, 47, passed away on September 11, 2017, at Reynolds Hospice House in Collierville, TN. Blair was a long-time member of the Chapman congregation, and his passing has left a void that reminds us of the many ways Blair touched our lives.

Those who knew Blair were impressed with his warm, friendly personality. He, truly, "never met a stranger." Everywhere Blair went, especially in Tippah County, he would see people he knew. He was never too busy to speak to friends, and he had many of them. It seemed Blair knew everyone, and everyone knew Blair.

During the funeral visitation and service, around a thousand friends and family members came to show their love and respect for Blair. The large crowd who attended is a testimony to Blair's warm heart and friendly personality.

Blair also touched many lives because of his thoughtfulness. He did not forget anniversaries, birthdays or the day on which a friend or loved-one died. He enjoyed celebrating special days, and would express concern to friends on those days which brought back sad memories. Most people are so busy that we find it difficult to keep up with special days and events in the lives of others, but Blair did. His thoughtfulness was one of his many good qualities.

Blair is also remembered for his generosity. He loved to give to others; it brought him joy. One way he demonstrated his generosity is by cooking for others. All who knew Blair knew he was an excellent cook. Frequently, he would cook for church dinners, the sick and the elderly. By cooking and giving to others, Blair made an important contribution to the church, a contribution that will not soon be forgotten.

In addition, Blair made an impact on the lives of others by maintaining an evangelistic spirit. Blair often invited others to services, and he was very instrumental in leading others to Christ. He had a genuine concern for souls, and wanted to help others go to heaven. He understood his responsibility to share the Gospel with others, and he was not ashamed to be a Christian.

Yes, Blair had many outstanding qualities which helped him find a place in the hearts of others. He would have been the first to acknowledge that he had imperfections, but his weaknesses did not prevent him from growing. It was a blessing to see such sincere, spiritual growth in Blair over the past several years. He “finished his course” well, and that is what truly matters!

It still does not seem “real” that Blair is gone. He left us too soon. But we will never forget the many ways he touched our lives!

“Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them”
–Revelation 14:13

Mark Lindley, 10/24/2017

A Matter of Attitude
By Kevin V. Rutherford

Have you ever noticed that attitude and mental toughness can enable an individual to overcome great odds and obstacles? Sometimes the slower runner wins the race. Sometimes the weaker man wins the fight. Sometimes the less talented team takes the championship. Why? Attitude is the answer.

Two missionaries were doing some work on a remote island. One of those missionaries was tall and thin. The other missionary was the opposite in build. A local islander spoke of how difficult it would be to walk from one end of the island to the other. This was true because in order to do so, one would have to go through thick brush in some parts and climb a mountain in the center of the island.

He looked at the two missionaries and told the tall and thin one he wouldn't make it. Then he expressed his confidence that the shorter, wider missionary would be able to get across to the other side. Why? He knew the shorter, wider missionary had the mental toughness to complete the task.

A Biblical example of this principle is found in 1 Samuel 14. Saul was king of Israel at the time. He was ruling over a people who were being oppressed by the Philistines. Things were not going well for Israel when an event occurred which gave the Jews courage and strength to turn the tide. Saul had a son by the name of Jonathan who had a tough mental attitude. His determination and will power came from his faith in God. He and his armor bearer decided they would go by themselves and attack the entire Philistine garrison, Jonathan said, Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised it may be that the Lord will work for us. For nothing restrains the Lord from saving by many or by few (1 Samuel). Jonathan and his armor bearer climbed on their hands and knees over a steep slope to get to the Philistine garrison. Once at the top, the two men quickly killed twenty men. The Philistines began to panic which gave the other Jews courage. Soon the entire Jewish army had joined the fight and the Philistines were defeated.

Caleb is a second example of this kind of mental toughness that is based on complete trust and faith in God. When the Jews refused to go into the land of Canaan out of fear, Caleb stood against the cowards. The Bible says, Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it (Numbers 13:30). God later said, concerning Caleb, My servant Caleb, because he has a different spirit in him and has followed Me fully, I will bring into the land where he went and his descendants shall inherit it (Numbers 14:24). This different spirit is that mental toughness and determination that comes from a strong faith in God. Caleb later showed this great attitude again, when at the age of 85, Caleb was ready to conquer the giant people of Anakim and take the mountain upon which they lived.

We need to see the spirit of Jonathan and Caleb in the Lord's church today. Instead of complaining about every little thing that goes wrong, we ought to make up our minds that with the Lord's help we can accomplish great things for Him. Is your faith in God strong enough to give you an attitude of mental toughness (Philippians 4:13)

UPCOMING EVENTS

REMINDER:
SUNDAY EVENING TIME – 1:30 PM

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

Saturday, October 28th at 6PM
RAIN OR SHINE – IF RAINS INSIDE
FELLOWSHIP HALL

5th Sunday - October 29th
Will **NOT** be a Fellowship meal after
morning service.

Evening service at 1:30 PM
conducted by Chapman young men.

DIRECTORY PHOTOS

Don't forget your appointments.
Photos will be done in Fellowship Hall.
October 29th and 30th
Any questions, please see Karen.

HACKLEBURG CHURCH OF CHRIST **Ladies Day**

Saturday, November 4th – 9 to 1PM
Will leave from church building at 7:30AM.
More information is available in foyer.
If you are interested in going – please see
Kathy Moore or Karen Yancey.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

CONGRATULATIONS!

Turner James King

October 20, 2017 at 6:13 am
8 pounds, 13 ounces

Proud Parents: Dave & Childs
Grandparents: Randell & Connie Koon
Great-Grandmother: Gerohn Childs

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **Pam Jackson** (Sister of Susan Yancey & Patti Hall) .

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Ola Wade, Tavin Fitzgerald

•**HOSPITAL:** Cortney Cissom (Heart, ICU Baptist East Memphis)

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Connie Koon, Rhonda Newby, Curtis Mauney

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

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Cortney Cissom, Juanita Mauney, Tony Morrison, 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:** Ray Henderson, Bobby White, 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).