### November 13, 2022

**Announcements** Rickey Cissom

Song Leader Keith Newby

Scripture Reading Gene Yancey

Opening Prayer Kevin Shackelford (A.M.) Randell Koon (P.M.)

Closing Prayer Chris Moore (A.M.) James Pilgrim (P.M.)

Lord's Table Ross Shackelford

Count and Usher Terry & Chase Chapman

Wednesday Night Song Leader Larry Wood (11/16/22)

### **OUR RECORD**

November 6, 2022

Sunday Bible Study: 81 Sunday Morning Worship: 97 Sunday Evening Worship: 79 Wednesday Night Bible Study: 74

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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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Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood
PREACHER: Mark Lindley

## Standing in the Path of Danger By: Justin Paschall

In 1969, in Pass Christian, Mississippi, a group of people were preparing to have a "hurricane party" in the face of a storm named Camille. Were they ignorant of the dangers? Could they have been overconfident? Did they let their egos and pride influence their decision? We'll never know.

What we do know is that the wind was howling outside the posh Richelieu Apartments when Police Chief Jerry Peralta pulled up sometime after dark. Facing the Beach less than 250 feet from the surf, the apartments were directly in the line of danger.

A man with a drink in his hand came out to the second floor balcony and waved. Peralta yelled up, "You all need to clear out of here as quickly as you can. The storm's getting worse." But as others joined the man on the balcony, they just laughed at Peralta's order to leave. "This is my land," one of them yelled back. "If you want me off, you'll have to arrest me."

Peralta didn't arrest anyone, but he wasn't able to persuade them to leave either. He wrote down the names of the next of kin of the twenty or so people who gathered there to party through the storm. They laughed as he took their names. They had been warned, but they had no intention of leaving.

It was 10:15 p.m. when the front wall of the storm came ashore. Scientists clocked Camille's wind speed at more than 205 miles-per-hour, the strongest on record. Raindrops hit with the force of bullets, and waves off the Gulf Coast crested between twenty-two and twenty-eight feet high.

News reports later showed that the worst damage came at the little settlement of motels, go-go bars, and gambling houses known as Pass Christian, Mississippi, where some twenty people were killed at a hurricane party in the Richelieu Apartments. Nothing was left of that three- story structure but the foundation; the only survivor was a five-year-old boy found clinging to a mattress the following day1.

It is my fear that sometimes we treat sin with same amount of gumption as these individuals did with the storm. We know sin's destructive power; we know the dangers that surround it; we know the destroyed lives that can be left in its wake. And yet sometimes we still choose to stand in the path of sin. Let's be like the man of which the psalmist spoke. "Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night" (Psalms 1:1-2).

Let's be like that man, and let's avoid the impending danger of sin!

# Why "Go to Church"? By Ronald Bartanen

In a "Letters to the Editor" column of a certain newspaper, a churchgoer had written this letter complaining that it made no sense to attend church every Sunday. He wrote, "I've gone for thirty years now, and in that time I have heard something like 3000 sermons. But for the life of me I can't remember a single one of them. So I think I'm wasting my time, and the preachers are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all." This resulted in an outpouring of letters for the column, which continued for weeks until someone wrote the following: "I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, If I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

What benefits are there to assembling each week with other believers in Christ to worship God? While some choose to attend a church because of entertainment that might be provided, a Christian should have more legitimate motives than this.

A few to be considered would be—

- •Attending where the true gospel is preached, one learns of the salvation God has provided, and the proper response for one's salvation. (Romans 1:16; 5:1-6, 18; 6:3-4)
- •As a Christian one has a treasured opportunity to remember Christ in the weekly partaking of the Lord's supper as He instructed (1 Corinthians 15:23-26; Acts 20:7).
- •One is instructed and edified by the teaching and preaching of God's Word (Acts 20:22; 2 Timothy 4:1-4; Matthew 4:4).
- •One is privileged to worship God, and at the same time encourage fellow-believers (Acts 2:42; Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16; Hebrews 10:25).
- •To do otherwise is to ignore a command of Scripture: "Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another as ye see the day approaching" Hebrews 10:24-25).

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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SUNDAY ● NOVEMBER 13, 2022 3:30 TO 4:30 PM

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

**SICK SUNDAY:** Gearlene Cissom, Jill Loveless, Karen Yancey, Pat Shackelford, Danny Shackelford, Parker McAlister, Kelly Brewer

**HOSPITAL:** Dan Jones (Tupelo/ICU),

Patti Hall

**SURGERY RECOVERY:** David Smith

**UPCOMING SURGERY:** Cheryl Chapman, Pat Shackelford

•EXTENDED ILLNESS: Theo Smith, Joe Clark, Louise Pannell (Sharon's Mother), Malone Hurt, Gerohn Childs, Junior Derrick, Jane Morrison, George Doss, Joanie Kate, Thad Berryman

•CANCER: Sidra Davis, Trish Clark, Lennox Kennamore (Leukemia), Jimmie Wayne Roberson, Johnnie Carpenter, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Steve Barnes (Mickey & Gail Chandler's Son-in-law), Betty Faye Ledbury,

•SHUT-INS: Tippah County Health & Rehab: Romia Palmer #204, Jimmy Berryman, Resthaven: Johnnie Carpenter

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