

## What Must I Do to Be Saved?

- Hear the Word of God – Rom. 10:17
- Believe that Jesus is the Son of God – Heb. 11:6; John 8:24
- Repent of your sins – Acts 17:30
- Confess Christ before men – Rom. 10:10; Matt. 10:32-33
- Be baptized for the remission of your sins – Acts 2:38; 1 Pet. 3:21
- Remain Faithful – Rev. 2:10

### By The Numbers for August 14<sup>th</sup>

#### Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 74  
Sun. AM Worship – 109  
Sun. PM Worship – 60  
Wed. Night (8/17) – 73

### To Our Visitors:

We are so glad and honored that you chose to be with us today. If you have any questions please feel free to ask the elders or one of the members. If we can be of any assistance, please let us know. Thanks for being with us, and we hope to see you again real soon!

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## THE RIPLEY BEACON

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## THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

August 21, 2016



*“Where the Gospel is Preached and People are Loved!”*

### Don't Stay Down!

Our house has lately been consumed with all things Olympics. One of my favorite stories coming out of Rio came during the 10,000 meter (6.2 miles) track and field event. During the 11<sup>th</sup> minute of the race, Mo Farah of Great Britain got his feet tangled up with his training partner, American, Galen Rupp, and both men went down.

“When I fell down, I was like, ah. One moment, my race is over, my dream is over,” said Farah after the race. “But then I managed to dig deep. I promised my daughter Rhianna, my oldest daughter, I was gonna get her a medal. And in my mind I was like, ‘nah, I can’t let her down.’”

Farah got up and managed to catch the race leaders. He surged to the front in the final 100 meters and won gold for the second consecutive year. Farah won because he got up after being knocked down.

The story reminded me of one of my favorite verses in the Psalms. “Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down; For the Lord upholds him with His hand” (Psalms 37:24).

In the Christian life, we will fall sometimes. We may give in to temptation and sin. We may disappoint some people with poor judgment and decision making. The question becomes, “Do we stay down or do we get forgiveness, get back up, and get back in the race?”

If you have fallen, it’s time to get up. God’s hand is outstretched. Reach out; grab it; and get back to running. Don’t stay down!

~Justin Paschall

#### Elders:

Larry Carden  
Steve Carmack  
Joe Hunt  
David Snell

#### Deacons:

Pat Carmack  
Tommy Climer  
Gwinn Matthews  
Kenneth Roark

#### Minister:

Justin Paschall  
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#### Service Times:

Sun. Bible Study-10 AM  
Sun. Worship-11 AM  
Sun. Night-5 PM  
Wed. Night-7 PM

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***“Come Worship with Us!”***

## Those Privileged to Serve:

### AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark  
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman  
Devotional – Robert Anderson

### AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers  
Announcements – Larry Carden  
Song Leader – David Snell  
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman  
Opening Prayer – Kenneth Roark  
Lord's Supper – (S) Darrell Smothers  
(S) Robert Anderson  
(N) MacArthur Watkins  
(N) John Dennison  
(N) Mel Gibson

Closing Prayer – John Dennison  
Security – Frank Carmack

### PM Service:

Announcements – Larry Carden  
Song Leader – David Snell  
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman  
Opening Prayer – Joe Hunt  
Lord's Supper – Darrell Smothers  
Closing Prayer – Robert Taylor  
Security – Joel Sutton

### Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – MacArthur Watkins  
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman  
Opening Prayer – Raymond Neal  
& Devotional  
Closing Prayer – Tommy Climer  
Security – Frank Carmack

### Door Greeters for August

South – Steve Carmack  
Center – Robert Taylor  
North – Joe Hunt

### Communion for August

Tommy and Lind Climer

## August Birthdays

- Justin Paschall – 2
- Raymond Neal – 11
- Darlene Underwood – 13
- Mende Scherffius – 14
- Reagan Paschall – 17
- Josh Carmack – 18
- Cynthia Hunt – 20
- Evelyn Smith – 20
- Betty Binkley – 21
- Bret Carmack – 23
- Tommy Climer – 23
- Rylee Moore – 23
- Irene Taylor – 31
- Franklin Carmack – 31

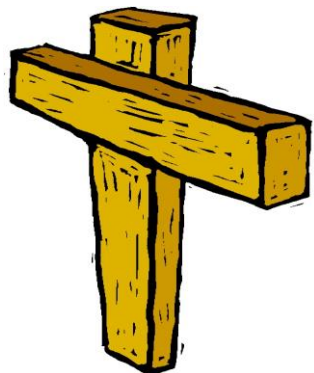


### Mark Your Calendars!

- **August 21<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Devotional** after evening services at the building hosted by Doris Stocklin and others. Please make plans to attend!

### What Are My Children Studying?

- **Aug. 21<sup>st</sup> – Israel and Judah Defeated Moab – 2 Kings 3**
- **Aug. 24<sup>th</sup> – Miracles of the Widow's Oil, the Shunammite Woman's Son, the Poisonous Stew, and the Feeding of the Hundred Men – 2 Kings 4**
- **Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> – Naaman the Leper; Gehazi the Leper – 2 Kings 5**



## Those in Need of Our Prayers and Encouragement:

### Our Regulars/Friends/Relatives:

- At any given time there are members going through different difficulties that they would rather keep private. Please say a prayer for them; God knows who they are.
- Tommy Climer fell due to excessive heat last week and hit his head suffering a laceration which required staples. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Julia Alley's heart procedure was postponed and will be rescheduled. Please keep her in your prayers.
- W.L. Sandlin is home now and has resumed his radiation treatments. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- Ted Sutton is doing some better following a hospital stay for bronchitis. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- Ann Carmack was scheduled to go home Friday as of time of bulletin printing. She will continue outpatient rehab. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Chris Carvin (nephew of friends of Kenneth and June) had a brain aneurism and was taken to the ICU at Baptist East. He is doing some better. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Phil Morris is at JMCGH and not doing well. Please keep him and Deborah in your prayers.
- Juanita Stanley (Rita Hartman's mother) is having some health problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Gwinn Matthews is at the Tennessee State Veterans Home in Humboldt. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Joyce Dunaway (Mike White's mom) is having back problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Alan Sheckell (Synthia Gibson's nephew) has been diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer. He is the father of a five year old child and six month old twins. They were scheduled to meet with a surgeon this past week. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.
- Kathy Petrowski (friend of Beth Carmack May) has been diagnosed with cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Betty Brogdon had hip replacement surgery in Nashville. She will have the other hip replaced at the end of August. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Tim Carmack has been suffering from some very severe headaches. Please keep him in your prayers as the cause is trying to be determined.
- Eunice Dobbs, Marion Morris, Ronnie Tillman, Phil Morris, Sara Smith, Georgia Campbell, The Matthews, Lille Dennison, Ted Sutton, Joyce Blakemore, Seth May, Paula Tillman, Brenda Belton, Drexel Reed, Dot Mullins, Etta Hunt, Brenda Sutton, Don Sutton, Betty Binkley, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.