

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 March 13th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 75
Sun. AM Worship – 91
Sun. PM Worship – 69
Wed. Night (3/16) – 58

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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Sunday, March 20, 2016



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

Your Next American Idol Is...

Micah and I have a few shows that we watch together on a pretty regular basis. One of those shows is the singing competition *American Idol* which is in its last season. The competition begins with hundreds of thousands of people competing for a golden ticket to get a chance to compete with the best and be crowned the next American Idol. At this point the competition is down to the final five and America votes on who stays and who goes.

Something that impresses me about these individuals (other than their amazing musical gifts) is the drive and determination that has gotten them to where they are. These musicians will climb any obstacle that is placed in their way. They will perform any task that is asked of them. They will go without sleeping, eating, or relaxing to be crowned the winner. They have a drive and a determination that is admirable and necessary if they are going to be successful.

As Christians it is this same drive and determination that is needed if we are going to be successful in living a faithful Christian life. We must be willing to climb over any obstacle Satan throws in our path. We must be willing to perform the tasks laid out for us by God. We must be willing to forego some worldly things in order to stay focused on our goal. The Hebrews' writer would encourage us to “fix our eyes on Jesus” (Hebrews 12:1-2). Peter would tell us to “be diligent to make our calling and election sure” (2 Peter 1:10). Jesus would say that we must deny ourselves and take up our cross if we want to follow Him (Matthew 16:24).

The contestants on American Idol will do whatever it takes to hear their name announced as the next American Idol. As Christians, let's do all we can to hear God say, “Well done, good and faithful servant!”
~ Justin

Elders:

Larry Carden
Steve Carmack
Joe Hunt
David Snell

Deacons:

Pat Carmack
Tommy Climer
Gwinn Matthews
Kenneth Roark

Minister:

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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 – Bret Carmack
Devotional – Raymond Neal

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Tommy Climer
Lord's Supper – (S) Jimmy Hartman
(S) Mike White
(N) Steve Carmack
(N) John Dennison
(N) Robert Anderson

Closing Prayer – David Bridges
Security – David Bridges

PM Service:

Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Steve Carmack
Lord's Supper – Jimmy Hartman
Closing Prayer – Darrell Smothers
Security – Tommy Climer

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – MacArthur Watkins
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Steve Carmack
Security – Frank Carmack

Door Greeters for March

South – Steve Carmack
Center – Joe Hunt
North – Gwinn Matthews

Communion for March

David and Janes Snell

March Birthdays

- Zoe Carmack – 1
- Conner Sanders – 5
- Mary Halliburton – 5
- Lauren Halliburton – 8
- Ann Carmack – 9
- Everett Presson – 9
- Betty Brogdon – 10
- June Roark – 13
- Betty Sutton – 15
- Marion Morris – 16
- Patrice Perry – 19
- Randy Roark – 30



Mark Your Calendars!

- **Mar. 20th** – 3rd Sunday Devo after evening services at the building. Menu is on the table in the foyer.
- **Apr. 2nd** – Ladies Day at Ripley church of Christ.
- **June 5th-10th** – Reelfoot Youth Camp. More details coming soon.
- **June 12th-17th** – Indian Creek Youth Camp. More details coming soon.
- **June 27th** – Monday Night Summer Youth Series here at Ripley at 7 pm.
- **July 17th-20th** – Gospel Meeting with Billy Smith.

What Are My Children Studying?

- **Mar. 20th** – The Resurrection; Final Remarks – 1 Corinthians 15-16
- **Mar. 23rd** – The Riot at Ephesus; Paul Left Ephesus for Macedonia – Acts 19:21-20:2
- **Mar. 27th** – Paul Explained Why His Visit to Corinth Had Been Delayed – 2 Corinthians 1-2

Food Pantry Items Needed!

Canned Meat

Memorials Received

Memorials were received in memory of Linda Tucker, Pete McClish and Allie Alexander.

Those in Need of Our Prayers and Encouragement:

Our Regulars/Friends/Relatives:

- Jimmy Hartman is having some health problems (possibly gallbladder related) and will see a surgeon Monday. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Julia Alley's sister, Hazel Denario, passed away. Funeral services were held in New York. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Josephine Latham is home recovering from a broken foot. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Ruth Henry has moved back to Oklahoma. We enjoyed having her with us for a short while and pray that things go well for her there.
- Eunice Dobbs continues to have problems with her breathing and her heart. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Rita Watkins' dad, Pete McClish, passed away recently. Please keep her family in your prayers.
- Cindy Graves (friend of Shawna Carmack) passed away. Funeral services were held on Saturday (3/5). Please keep her family in your prayers.
- Allie Alexander (Johnnie Matthews' mother) passed away. The funeral was Tuesday (3/1) at the Parsons church of Christ. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Linda Tucker passed away on Wednesday (2/24). Funeral services were Sunday (2/28). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Marion Morris is in the Lauderdale Community Living Center in room 114. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Charles Michael Hardy (friend of Pam McDonald) has stage 4 lung cancer, and it has spread to different parts of his body. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Terry Bibbs does have a leaking aortic valve that they will be treating with medicine for now. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Penny Gaines is currently undergoing a round of cancer treatments. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Doris Stocklin continues to improve from her heart surgery. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Tim Carmack has been suffering from some very severe headaches. Please keep him in your prayers as the cause is trying to be determined.
- Doris Sandlin suffered a hairline fracture to her pelvis. She is doing much better. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Dr. Ronnie Tillman (June and Linda's cousin) has gone home, but will continue to undergo treatments. Things are going good so far. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Harry Lyn Alexander, Sara Smith, Georgia Campbell, The Matthews, Lille Dennison, Ted Sutton, Joyce Blakemore, Seth May, Paula Tillman, Brenda Belton, Drexel Reed, Marion Morris, Dot Mullins, Etta Hunt, Brenda Sutton, Don Sutton, Betty Binkley, Phil Morris, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.