

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 April 14th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 86
Sun. AM Worship – 118
Sun. PM Worship – 68
Wed. Night (4/17) – 65

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

Six Keys to Acceptable Prayer

Part 3

We have been looking at the topic of prayer. We have noticed three reasons for prayer. We then looked at four reasons why we may not pray as we should. Now, we have been focusing on how to pray acceptably to the God of Heaven. There are six keys that will help us in that regard. We have noticed four of those keys. Acceptable prayer must be from one who is willing to obey. Acceptable prayer must be offered with full assurance of faith. Acceptable prayer must have the endorsement of Christ. Acceptable prayer must be fervent and sincere. Let's notice the final two keys.

Fifth, acceptable prayer must be offered regularly not just as an emergency measure. The Bible has numerous passages that reference the need for us to be continual in prayer. “Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer” (Romans 12:12). “Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving” (Colossians 4:2). “Pray without ceasing” (1 Thessalonians 5:17). If our prayers are going to be acceptable to God then we can't just talk to him when we need something. Acceptable prayer must be offered regularly.

Sixth, acceptable prayer must be offered according to God's Will. “Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us” (1 John 5:14). When we pray to God, we must ask things that are in accordance with His Word. I can't ask God to do things that He would not do or for things that are not in keeping with His Will. Acceptable prayer must be offered according to God's Will.

Prayer is powerful! Prayer is important! Prayer and the faithful Christian go hand in hand!

~ Justin

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Steve Carmack
Joe Hunt
David Snell

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Tommy Climer
Robert Anderson
Bret Carmack

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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!”

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Devotional – David Bridges

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Opening Prayer – Tommy Climer
Lord’s Supper – (S) Joe Hunt
(S) John Dennison
(N) MacArthur Watkins
(N) Mel Gibson
(N) David Bridges

Closing Prayer – David Snell
Security – Barry Bates

PM Service:

Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Opening Prayer – Rusty Kennedy
Lord’s Supper – Joe Hunt
Closing Prayer – Tommy Climer
Security – Joel Sutton

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Rusty Kennedy
Security – Tommy Climer

Door Greeters for April

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

Communion for April

Robert and Ernestine Anderson

April Birthdays

- Robert Anderson – 7
- Courtney Smith – 8
- Roy Colvin – 8
- Joe Hunt – 10
- Lauren Carmack – 10
- JT Yarbrough – 10
- Abby Moore – 11
- Maddy Moore – 11
- Will Carmack – 12
- Eunice Dobbs – 12
- Traci Pierson – 13
- Fisher Carmack – 16
- Rita Lussier – 17
- Donna Bridges – 19
- Lizzy Dunn – 23
- Caroline Snell – 26
- Aaliyah Alley – 30



What Are My Children Studying?

- **Apr. 21st** - Lesson 249 – Parables on the Kingdom of Heaven – Matthew 13:24-52
- **Apr. 24th** - Lesson 250 – Calming a Storm; Demon-Possessed Man – Matthew 8:18-22; Luke 8:22-39
- **Apr. 28th** - Lesson 251 – Fasting Questioned; Jairus’ Daughter; Invalid Woman; Blind Men, and a Demon – Matthew 9:9-34

Mark Your Calendars!

- **April 21st** – Easter Egg Hunt following morning services. Please bring 12 filled eggs if you can.
- **April 26th** – Retirement Reception for Doris Stocklin from 11 am to 2 pm at City Hall.
- **May 4th** – Ladies Day at Ripley at 10:30 am.
- **June 2nd-7th**–Reelfoot Youth Camp. Applications are on the white table and must be turned in by May 15th.
- **June 24th-26th** – Vacation Bible School.
- **July 15th** – Monday Night Summer Youth Series at Ripley at 7 pm.
- **July 21st-24th** – Gospel Meeting.

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.
- Stella Young’s mother-in-law Hazel Young passed away on Wednesday (4/10). The funeral was Saturday (4/13). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Anthony Roark is dealing with some issues with diabetes. Please keep him in your prayers as he makes changes to address the problem.
- Frances Harrell fell a few weeks ago and is still not doing good. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Roy and Janet Colvin have a new great grandbaby. Congratulations to them and keep the family in your prayers.
- David and Jane Snell have a new grandbaby. William Anderson Moran was born on Monday (4/1). He weighed 8 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20 inches long. Mom and baby are both doing well.
- Vernice Richmond’s uncle in Oklahoma is ill. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Rhonda Young (Stella Young’s daughter) had an upper and lower GI on Wednesday (4/10). Everything went well. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Lillie Dennison had her surgery, and everything went as planned. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Beverly Sanders’ sister-in-law Maxie King passed away (3/27). Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Demetra Carmack had surgery on Wednesday (3/27). She is home now. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Matthew Buckner did not reject his bone marrow transplant. He is at home recovering. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.
- Lou Leatherwood had surgery on Monday (3/18). Everything went as planned. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Carson Hamlin is now out of his cast but still undergoing physical therapy. Please keep him in you prayers.
- Mary Presson is home recovering. Please keep her and Everett in your prayers.
- Pam Carmack is still recovering from injuries to her leg. Please keep her in your prayers.
- WL Sandlin continues to battle cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Ted Sutton, Beverly Sanders, Burt Lussier, Rae Sanders, BC Underwood, Paul Bridges, Tim Etheridge, Eunice Dobbs, Ann Paschall, Patti Jolicoeur, Kenny Kennedy, Brenda Sutton, Sonny Arwood, Robert Taylor, Josephine Latham, Johnnie Matthews, Marion Morris, Joyce Blakemore, Drexel Reed, Betty Binkley, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.