

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 17th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 84
Sun. AM Worship – 120
Sun. PM Worship – 72
Wed. Night (3/20) – 60

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!”

Talking to Our Father

Part 3

In this series of articles, we have been looking at the topic of prayer. We have asked and answered the question, “Why should I pray?” First, one should pray to ask God for the things that he needs. Second, we should pray because we need to appreciate who God is and what He does. Third, we need to pray because we need to align our will with God’s will.

So we know that we should pray. We know that it will help to build our trust in God. Now we want to ask a second question, why don’t we pray as we should? Let’s notice four possible reasons.

First, we may have a lack of faith in prayer. The Bible talks about the folly of praying without having faith in prayer. “But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind” (James 1:6). “I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting” (1 Timothy 2:8). If our prayers are going to be acceptable to God then we must believe that He is listening and that He will answer those prayers in His time and in His way.

Second, we do not see a need to pray. Unfortunately, sometimes we do not see the need for prayer. This is normally the case when everything is going good. We think that we have everything handled and that everything is under control. In these times, we still need to be praying to God and relying on Him. We can’t treat prayer as an emergency measure only used in dire circumstances. We have all had friends who seem to only contact us when they need something or have a problem. Let’s not treat God that way. Let’s pray at all times not just when we have a need.

Next week we will notice two more reasons that may be hindering our prayer life.

Elders:

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Joe Hunt
David Snell

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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!”

~ Justin

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Devotional – Raymond Neal

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Larry Carden
Lord’s Supper – (S) Raymond Neal
(S) Joel Sutton
(N) Darrell Smothers
(N) John Dennison
(N) Mel Gibson

Closing Prayer – John Dennison
Security – Barry Bates

PM Service:

Announcements – Tommy Climer
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Joe Hunt
Lord’s Supper – Raymond Neal
Closing Prayer – David Snell
Security – Mike White

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – MacArthur Watkins
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Mel Gibson
Security – Tommy Climer

Door Greeters for March

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

Communion for March

Rusty and Vickie Kennedy

March Birthdays

- Zoe Carmack – 1
- Mary Halliburton – 5
- Ann Carmack – 9
- Everett Presson – 9
- Betty Brogdon – 10
- June Roark – 13
- Betty Sutton – 15
- Dorothy Bridges – 15
- Marion Morris– 16
- Sherry Scallions – 17
- Patrice Perry – 19
- Randy Roark– 30



What Are My Children Studying?

- **Mar. 24th** - Lesson 241 – The Sermon on the Mount: Charity, Prayer, Fasting, Riches – Matthew 6
- **Mar. 27th** - Lesson 242 – The Sermon on the Mount: Judging Others; Prayer; Way to Heaven – Matthew 7
- **Mar. 31st** - Lesson 243 – Centurion’s Servant Healed and Widow’s Son Raised; John Questioned – Luke 7:1-35

Mark Your Calendars!

- **April 7th** – Last Day to bring items for the Tennessee Children’s Home.
- **May 4th** – Ladies Day at Ripley beginning at 10:30 am.
- **June 2nd-7th** – Reelfoot Youth Camp.
- **June 24th-26th** – Vacation Bible School from 6:30-8 pm.
- **July 21st-24th** – Gospel Meeting.

Memorials Received

Memorials have been received in honor of Connie Aitken, Janet Aitken, and Howard Trull.

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.
- Doris Stocklin was taken to Dyersburg Hospital with chest pains. At time of bulletin printing all tests were looking good and she was supposed to be released. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Matthew Buckner: Preliminary testing shows that he is rejecting his bone marrow transplant. Please keep him and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.
- Chisholm Vaughan had his wisdom teeth extracted. He has experienced some complications from this. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Gale Shaw has been having some serious foot pain. Please keep her 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 had a dirt bike accident Wednesday (3/13) afternoon. He broke his elbow. Please keep him in you prayers.
- Julia Alley was unable to have surgery on her foot currently. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Betty Brogdon’s sister-in-law Janet Aitken passed away. A memorial service was held on Saturday (3/16). She also recently lost her other sister-in-law, Connie Aitken. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Mary Presson is in Baptist East following a stroke and is also suffering from pancreatitis. Please keep her and Everett in your prayers.
- Lillie Dennison will have the defibrillator for her heart installed on April 1st. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Amanda Clark’s grandmother Shirley Clark passed away. Funeral services were held on Saturday (2/23). Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Gene Turner is experiencing some improvements. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Sherry Scallions has requested prayers and encouragement. Please say a prayer for her.
- Ted Sutton fell and broke his wrist. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- 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.
- 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.

“The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much”

(James 5:16)