

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 October 28th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 100
Sun. AM Worship – 132
Sun. PM Worship – 74
Wed. Night (10/31) – 85

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 CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

I Didn't Come Up Here to Read!

It was the World Series and the New York Yankees were hosting the Milwaukee Braves. Hank Aaron stepped into the batter's box only to be greeted by the ceaseless chatter of Yogi Berra, “Henry, you're holding that bat wrong. You're supposed to hold it so you can read the trademark.”

Aaron never spoke a word. As the next pitch crossed the plate the homerun king put the ball into the left-field bleachers. After rounding the bases and tagging up at home plate, he looked at the cheerless Yogi Berra and said, “I didn't come up here to read.”

How often do we allow distractions to take our focus off of our spiritual goals? I'm not talking about distractions that are sinful, but distractions from those things in this life that are good in and of themselves and which provide us a measure of joy, happiness and satisfaction.

There are practices and ball games that need attending; then there is the yard that needs mowing; the house that needs keeping; a small business that needs expanding; livestock that need managing; crops that need harvesting; the automobile that needs servicing; the pet that needs brushing; clothes that need washing/drying/folding; supper that needs preparing; dishes that need washing; the garden that needs weeding/watering; the troop meeting that needs attending; fish that need catching; books that need reading and on and on we could go.

The problem is that by the time we tend to all of these we have forgotten about the Bible that needs reading/studying; our marriage that needs nurturing; our children that need loving; sick folk that need visiting; worship that needs attending; Christian brethren that need encouraging; prayers that need praying; souls that need saving and God who needs serving.

If Satan can't get us with worldly temptations then I suppose that he will try to get us through the distractions of our busy lives. Let's make sure when we are faced with the choice of God or the world, we choose God. After all is that not what Jesus said in Matthew 6:33.

~ Justin

Elders:

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Steve Carmack
Joe Hunt
David Snell

Deacons:

Pat Carmack
Tommy Climer
Kenneth Roark

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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 – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Devotional – David Bridges

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Robert Taylor
Lord's Supper – (S) Steve Carmack
(S) Mike White
(N) John Dennison
(N) Bret Carmack
(N) Mel Gibson
Closing Prayer – Steven Dodson
Security – Frank Carmack

PM Service:

Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Steve Carmack
Lord's Supper – Steve Carmack
Closing Prayer – MacArthur Watkins
Security – Joel Sutton

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – MacArthur Watkins
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Rusty Kennedy
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Pat Carmack
Security – Robert Anderson

Door Greeters for November

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

Communion for November

Justin and Micah Paschall

November Birthdays

- Mammie Watkins – 2
- David Bridges – 7
- Sydney Carmack – 9
- Patti Jolicoeur – 11
- W.L. Sandlin – 12
- Johanna Carmack – 13
- Dana Carmack – 20
- Debbie Barnett – 28
- Josephine Latham – 30



What Are My Children Studying?

- **Nov. 4th** - Lesson 201 – Love of Brother – 1 John 3
- **Nov. 7th** - Lesson 202 – God is Love – 1 John 4
- **Nov. 11th** - Lesson 203 – Those Born of God – 1 John 5

Check the Fellowship Hall for Dishes

There are numerous plates, bowls, dishes, crock pots, etc. on the fellowship hall counter. Please go look at these items and see if any of them are yours.

Help Needed

Our congregation has been asked to help with the desserts to feed the veterans following the Veteran's Day parade on November 10th. Desserts need to be here by Wednesday night, November 7th. They are expecting a very large number of veterans. If you have any questions, please see Doris Stocklin.

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.
- Martha Dugger has had to have some skin cancer removed. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Patti Jolicoeur fell and broke some ribs and her nose. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Mary Presson was having problems with her gallbladder which had required hospitalization. She is home now. Please keep her in your prayers and that she doesn't have any more problems.
- Melanie Moore is continuing to recover from surgery. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Stephen Snell and family are in Uganda working with a medical team. Please keep the family and doctors with them in your prayers.
- Jay Dunaway has been diagnosed with colon cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Kenny Stowe was taken to Jackson General for congestive heart failure. No updates were available at time of printing. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Luke Crook (Amanda Clark's son) continues to be in a cast from the break in his leg. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Beverly Sanders is dealing with sciatic nerve pain. She is seeing a doctor received a steroid shot to try and help. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Bert Lussier is doing much better. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- Tim Etheridge (Nancy Etheridge's son) is dealing with several health problems. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Pam Carmack is back home, but still has a ways to go. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Marvin Moore has been told that there is no cancer, the first test was incorrect. Please thank God for these results.
- Penny Gaines' cancer has returned. She is taking chemo treatments. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Paul Bridges (David Bridges' brother) has been diagnosed with multiple forms of cancer and is doing treatments. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Matthew Buckner is battling leukemia. Please keep him in your prayers.
- WL Sandlin continues to battle cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Ann Paschall, Ted Sutton, Betty Clark, Alan Sheckell, Kenny Kennedy, Brenda, Sutton, Joe Henry, Sonny Arwood, Robert Taylor, Josephine Latham, Johnnie Matthews, Randy Roark, Jr., Eunice Dobbs, Marion Morris, Lillie Dennison, Joyce Blakemore, Drexel Reed, Betty Binkley, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.