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 June 9th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study - 90

Sun. AM Worship – 120

Sun. PM Worship – 72

Wed. Night (5/29) - 64

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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Has the Fire Gone Out?

History records for us an interesting footnote. It was during the dark winter of 1864. At Petersburg, Virginia, the Confederate army of Robert E. Lee faced the Union divisions of General Ulysses S. Grant. The war was now three and a half years old and the glorious charge had long since given way to the muck and mud of trench warfare. Late one evening one of Lee's generals, Major General George Pickett, received word that his wife had given birth to a beautiful baby boy. Up and down the line the Southerners began building huge bonfires in celebration of the event. These fires did not go unnoticed in the Northern camps and soon a nervous Grant sent out a reconnaissance patrol to see what was going on. The scouts returned with the message that Pickett had had a son and these were celebratory fires. It so happened that Grant and Pickett had been contemporaries at West Point and knew one another well, so to honor the occasion Grant, too, ordered that bonfires should be built.

What a peculiar night it was. For miles on both sides of the lines fires burned. No shots fired. No yelling back and forth. No war fought. Only light, celebrating the birth of a child. But it didn't last forever. Soon the fires burned down and once again the darkness took over. The darkness of the night and the darkness of war¹.

As New Testament Christians, we have been born again through baptism (John 3:5, Romans 6:3-8). For many Christians there was a time when the fire within us burned brightly. But overtime there is a danger of those fires going out. The darkness of a sinful world and the war that rages between light and darkness can snuff out those flames if we are not careful.

Let's be on guard, and let's continually fan our flames through righteous living. So that we can be the lights that God would have us to be. "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:14-16).

Let's keep our fires burning and our lights shining!

¹ Illustration taken from www.sermons.com

Those Privileged to Serve:

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – David Snell Audio/Visual – Steven Dodson Devotional – Robert Taylor

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers Announcements – Larry Carden Song Leader – David Snell Audio/Visual – Steven Dodson Opening Prayer – Tommy Climer Lord's Supper – (S) Raymond Neal

(S) John Dennison (N) Jimmy Hartman

(N) MacArthur Watkins

(N) JB Tharpe

Closing Prayer – Darrell Smothers Security – Tommy Climer

PM Service:

Announcements – Larry Carden Song Leader – David Snell Audio/Visual – Steven Dodson Opening Prayer – David Snell Lord's Supper – Raymond Neal Closing Prayer – Rusty Kennedy Security – Robert Anderson

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – David Snell Audio/Visual – Steven Dodson Opening Prayer –David Bridges & Devotional Closing Prayer – Mel Gibson Security – Barry Bates

Door Greeters for June

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

Communion for June

Jimmy Hartman

June Birthdays

- Steven Dodson 2
- Mariah Campbell 3
- MacArthur Watkins 3
- Joel Sutton 4
- Mary Barnett 4
- June Bates 7
- Luke Crook 7
- Kenneth Roark 8
- Steve Carmack 9
- Linsey Tharpe 10
- Harrison Paschall 14
- Joyce Blakemore 18
- Briceon White 25

What Are My Children Studying?

- June 16th Lesson 265 Idols in Athens;
 Second Missionary Journey Completed Acts 17-18:22
- June 19th Lesson 266 Paul's Thanks for the Thessalonians; Paul's Good Record - 1 Thessalonians 1-2
- June 23rd Lesson 267 Concern for the Thessalonians; Those Who Have Died in the Lord – 1 Thessalonians 3-4

Mark Your Calendars!

- June 24th-26th Vacation Bible School.
- June 30th <u>Baby Shower</u> for Mariah Campbell and baby Jaxon at 2 pm in the Fellowship Hall. She is registered at Walmart, Target, Bed Bath and Beyond, and Amazon.
- July 15th Monday Night Youth Series at Ripley at 7 pm.
- July 21st-24th Gospel Meeting with Cliff Goodwin.

Memorials Received

Memorials have been received for Angela Simone. Dan Clemenz, and Charles Brogdon.



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.
- <u>Frances Harrell</u> fell and has been taken to JMCGH for tests to try and determine what is happening. Please keep her in your prayers.
- <u>Melissa Spain</u> (Rebecca White's co-worker) has been diagnosed with tongue cancer. She had surgery and is now awaiting test results on a biopsy of her lymph nodes. Please keep her in your prayers.
- <u>Samantha Johnson</u> (Rebecca White's sister-in-law) is having problems with her lungs. Doctors are running tests to try and determine the problem. Please keep her in your prayers.
- A16 year old boy, who has a history of brain bleeds, recently had another bleed that may have left him paralyzed. Please keep this young man and his family in your prayers. God knows who they are.
- <u>Teresa</u> (Gloria Crook's sister) is home now after being hospitalized for an asthma attack.. Please keep her in your prayers.
- <u>Steve White's</u> heart cath (6/7) went well, and there were no blockages. Please keep him in your prayers.
- <u>Joyce Blakemoore's</u> niece Angela Simone passed away. The funeral was held in Florida. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- <u>Justin Paschall's</u> uncle Dan Clemenz passed away. A memorial service was held in Georgia. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- <u>Don and Sheri Blackwell</u> were in a 4 wheeler accident in which both suffered severe injuries. A fund raiser has been set up online at https://bit.ly/2HdrvmF.
- Quincy Richmond has begun working at a new job. Please keep him in your prayers.
- <u>Anthony Roark</u> is dealing with some issues with diabetes. Please keep him in your prayers as he makes changes to address the problem.
- <u>Lillie Dennison</u>: Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- <u>Matthew Buckner</u> is back in the hospital with some medical issues related to his transplant. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.
- <u>Pam Carmack</u> is still recovering from injuries to her leg. Please keep her in your prayers.
- <u>WL Sandlin</u> continues to battle cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- <u>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.</u>

