

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 February 23rd

Attendance:
Sun. Bible Study – 86
Sun. AM Worship – 107
Sun. PM Worship – 52
Wed. Night (2/26) – 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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“Where the Gospel is Preached and People are Loved!”

How to Prevent and Prevail Over the Flu

Part 4

We have been noticing some comparisons between the flu and sin. We have noticed the two ways to try and prevent the flu - take precautions and avoid contact, and we have noticed one of the ways to prevail over the flu – recognize the signs. Now we want to notice the final step that we can take to try and prevail over the flu and sin if we have contracted them.

Fourth, seek treatment. Doctors can determine if indeed you have the flu, and then they can prescribe some medicines to help lessen the symptoms and to recover faster. It is not enough to simply recognize the symptoms; we also need to seek treatment if we are going to prevail over it.

Spiritually speaking, the treatment for sin is the precious blood of Christ. Christ’s blood can wash away man’s sins (Acts 22:16). If you are not a Christian, then the treatment for sin is to become one by obeying God’s commandments like those in the first century. One must believe that Jesus is the Son of God (John 8:24), repent of sins (Acts 17:30), confess Christ before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38). If you are a Christian but have sin in your life, take advantage of the cleansing power of His blood again. Peter told Simon (who was already a Christian - Acts 8:12-13) to repent and pray in order to receive forgiveness (Acts 8:18-22). If you have sin in your life, please seek the appropriate treatment.

Whether one prevents or prevails over the flu will only affect this life. Whether one prevents and prevails over sin will affect this life and the life to come. It is a battle that we must win! Make sure to practice proper spiritual hygiene; avoid contact with sin and sinful people; recognize when you have sin in your life; and seek treatment by becoming and remaining a faithful Christian.

If we will remain faithful to the end, we can echo the words of Paul. “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing” (2 Timothy 4:7-8).
~Justin

Elders:

Larry Carden
Steve Carmack
Joe Hunt
David Snell

Deacons:

Pat Carmack
Tommy Climer
Robert Anderson
Bret Carmack
Jimmy Hartman
Bryan Hartman

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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 Warship with Us!”

AM Bible Study:

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

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – David Bridges
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
Lord's Supper – (S) Darrell Smothers
(S) Perry Pena
(N) Steve Carmack
(N) Joel Sutton
(N) Mike White

Closing Prayer – Steven Dodson
Security – Barry Bates

PM Service:

Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – David Bridges
Opening Prayer – Robert Taylor
Lord's Supper – Darrell Smothers
Closing Prayer – Jimmy Hartman
Security – Robert Anderson

Wednesday Night:

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

Door Greeters for March

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

Communion for March

MacArthur and Rita Watkins

- Zoe Carmack – 1
- Mary Halliburton – 5
- Renee Sparks – 7
- 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



What Are My Children Studying?

- **Mar. 1st** - Lesson 339 – Marriage; Meat Sacrificed to Idols – 1 Corinthians 7-8
- **Mar. 4th** - Lesson 340 – Paul's Apostleship; Christian Liberty – 1 Corinthians 9-10
- **Mar. 8th** - Lesson 341 – Women; The Lord's Supper; Spiritual Gifts – 1 Corinthians 11-12

Mark Your Calendars!

- **Mar. 4th** – FINAL Wednesday Night Meal at 5:45. Menu sign-up on the table in the foyer.
- **Apr. 4th** – Ladies' Day. More details coming soon.



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.
- Bowen Nolen (Amy and Scott' baby boy) has had a high bilirubin count. Please keep him and them in your prayers.
- JC White (Tommy White's grandfather) has been diagnosed with brain cancer. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Lillie Dennison was admitted to JMCGRH due to excess fluid on her body. She was scheduled to be discharged on Thursday. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Linsey Tharpe continues to deal with health problems during her pregnancy. She is home from a stay in the hospital, but still needs our prayers so please keep her in your prayers.
- Ann Paschall (Justin's mom) will have a heart cath on Wednesday (3/4). Please keep her in your prayers.
- Tommy White continues to progress after having back surgery on Tuesday (2/18). Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Bert Lussier continues to deal with some health issues and is also recovering from knee replacement surgery. Please remember him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Joyce Dunaway is in the local hospital with a broken ankle. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Mary Presson is in the local hospital. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Ted Sutton has been moved to LCLC and can have visitors. He is in room 110. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- Jamaurya Mack had surgery at LeBonheur (2/7) on his right foot. Recovery time is 6-8 weeks, and then he will have surgery on the left foot. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Blake Carden (Larry and Georgia's grandson) is at MD Anderson in Texas for cancer treatment. Please keep him and the family in your prayers.
- Brenda Sutton has finished her radiation treatments. She will still be undergoing chemo treatments. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Robert Taylor is home and will do outpatient rehab. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Linda Climer is dealing with some health issues. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Gloria Crook has a couple of doctor appointments concerning the knee problems that she has been dealing with. Please keep her in your prayers.
- David Jennings, Justin Hendrix, Leslie Barnes, Alan Sheckell, Patricia Lee, Josephine Latham, Frances Harrell, Sonny and Reba Arwood, Rae Sanders, WL and Doris Sandlin, Martha Duggar, Johnny Olds, Matthew Buckner, Pam Carmack, Beverly Sanders, Burt Lussier, Paul Bridges, Tim Etheridge, Eunice Dobbs, Ann Paschall, Patti Jolicoeur, Kenny Kennedy, Robert Taylor, Johnnie Matthews, Marion Morris, Joyce Blakemore, Drexel Reed, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.