

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 November 8th

Attendance:
Sun. Bible Study – ---
Sun. AM Worship –
Sun. PM Worship – ---
Wed. Night (11/11) – ---

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!”

Thanksgiving: It’s NOT Just One Day a Year!

This month, we celebrate a national day of thanksgiving. The First National Proclamation of Thanksgiving was given by the Continental Congress in 1777, and they recorded these words:

“FOR AS MUCH as it is the indispensable Duty of all Men to adore the superintending Providence of Almighty God; to acknowledge with Gratitude their Obligation to him for Benefits received, and to implore such farther Blessings as they stand in Need of... It is therefore recommended to the legislative or executive Powers of these UNITED STATES to set apart THURSDAY, the eighteenth Day of December next, for SOLEMN THANKSGIVING and PRAISE...” (emp. in original).

Unfortunately, for some, thanksgiving has become a once a year event, but that is not the way God wants it to be. Paul writes, “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God” (Philippians 4:6). As Christians, we are to have an attitude of gratitude every day, and we have a lot for which to be thankful. Let’s look at two categories of blessings for which to be thankful.

First, we should be thankful for our physical blessings. All of us have been blessed with so much. If you were to sit down and begin to list the physical things that God has given you, it would become a very long list. “I have been young, and now am old; Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, Nor his descendants begging bread” (Psalms 37:25). Our food, clothes, shelter, jobs, health, etc. all come from God and we should be thankful to him for those things.

Second, we should be thankful for our spiritual blessings. Where would we be if not for the spiritual provisions from God? If not for God’s love (John 3:16) and Christ’s sacrifice (1 John 3:16), we would be lost with no hope for salvation. God has given us the avenue of prayer, His Word by which we know how to live, and the hope of Heaven. God has provided all that we need to go from here to the hereafter. “But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 15:57).

We, as Christians, have so much for which to be thankful, not just one day but every day. Let’s make sure that we show God our gratitude in both our words and actions. “Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name” (Psalms 100:4). “And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful” (Colossians 3:15). I hope you have a great Thanksgiving and I hope you will always have an attitude of thankfulness.

~ Justin

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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 –
Audio/Visual –
Devotional –

AM Service:

Usher –
Announcements –
Song Leader –
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer –
Lord's Supper – (S)

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Closing Prayer –
Security –

PM Service:

Announcements –
Song Leader –
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer –
Lord's Supper –
Closing Prayer –
Security –

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader –
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer –
& Devotional
Closing Prayer –
Security –

Door Greeters for November

South –
Center –
North –

- Mammie Watkins – 2
- David Bridges – 7
- Sydney Carmack – 9
- Johanna Carmack – 13
- Johnny Olds – 18
- Dana Carmack – 20
- Debbie Barnett – 28
- Josephine Latham – 30



Memorials Received

Memorials have been received for WL Sandlin and Marion Morris.

WTCH

We are collecting donations for our annual gift to the West Tennessee Children's Home for Christmas. If you would like to contribute, please give that to Mrs. Ann Carmack by December 6th.

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.
- WL Sandlin passed away. Funeral services were held on Wednesday (11/4). Please keep Mrs. Doris and the rest of the family in your prayers.
- Everett and Mary Presson: Mr. Everett had surgery to remove a section of his small intestines. Also Mrs. Mary is not doing well. Please keep both of them in your prayers.
- Tommy White has been in the hospital in Dyersburg since Oct. 31st. Please continue to keep him and the family in your prayers.
- Paula Bales (Mike White's step-sister) had a major stroke and is in JMCGRH. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Betty Arthur was in the hospital for some heart problems. She is home now and needs to hire someone to clean/cook a couple times a week. If you know of someone let us know. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Vicky Newman (Andrea Hartman Newman's mother-in-law) continues to battle Covid. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Quanisa Richmond (Quincy and Sauyna Richmond's daughter) was involved in a serious car accident and is now home continuing to recover. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Bert Lussier continues to recover from knee surgery. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Waylon Tharpe (Linsey and JB's son) has surgery scheduled for Nov. 17th. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Jennifer Cash (friend of Dana Carmack) suffered a heart attack, and they have found an abdominal mass. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Anita Rogers (Kamisha's older sister) is battling two different forms of cancer, one of which is breast cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Gloria Crook's knee surgery on November 4th has been cancelled. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Peter Rode (Mickey Hamlin's father) has been diagnosed with Sweet's disease. They still have more tests to run. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Terry Young (Stella's husband) is home now, but he still has a long road ahead. Please keep him and Stella in your prayers.
- Michael Kiestler (Rebecca White's friend) had surgery to remove a tumor and suffered a stroke. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Dennis Jones (Rebecca White's friend) had a foot amputation. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Lou Leatherwood, Brenda Sutton, Gene Turner, Leslie Barnes, Dorothy Bridges, Lillie Dennison, Tommy and Linda Climer, David Jennings, Blake Carden, Joyce Dunaway, Drexel Reed, Justin Hendrix, Patricia Lee, Josephine Latham, Frances Harrell, Sonny and Reba Arwood, Rae Sanders, Martha Duggar, Johnny Olds, Pam Carmack, Beverly Sanders, Paul Bridges, Tim Etheridge, Eunice Dobbs, Robert Taylor, Johnnie Matthews, and Joyce Blakemore: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.

Communion for November