

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 August 8th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 73
Sun. AM Worship – 101
Sun. PM Worship – 75
Wed. Night (8/11) – 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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Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday

8:15 AM

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

The Fickleness of the Masses

In Acts 14, Paul and Barnabas entered Lystra. Paul healed a man who had been crippled from birth unable to use his feet. The crowds upon seeing this miracle began to attempt to worship Paul and Barnabas as gods.

The priest in the pagan temple of Zeus even came to offer sacrifices to them. Of course Paul and Barnabas didn't seek such worship and instead tried to redirect the focus of the people to God and Jesus. The text records that "they scarcely restrained the people from offering sacrifice to them."

In the next paragraph, Jews came from neighboring towns and stirred up the crowd to the point that they stoned Paul, presumably, to death. Those who were just trying to sacrifice to him were now seeking his death.

And such is the fickleness of the masses.

If you are taking your cues for what is acceptable or not from the world, good luck. It is an ever-moving goal post! It is a standard that shifts and changes depending on how the wind is blowing.

If you are looking for acceptance and confirmation in the masses of the world, good luck. They will praise you on Monday, throw you under the bus on Tuesday, and then completely forget about you by Wednesday.

Such is the fickleness of the masses.

Instead, why not take your cues from a standard that does not change - the Word of God? Why not look for acceptance and confirmation from the God who doesn't change?

"Forever, O LORD, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens" (Psalms 119:89).

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8).
~Justin

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Service Times:

Sun. Bible Study-9:30 AM
Sun. Worship-10:30 AM
Sun. Night Worship-6 PM
Wed. Night-7 PM

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“Come Worship with Us!”

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual –
Devotional – MacArthur Watkins

AM Service:

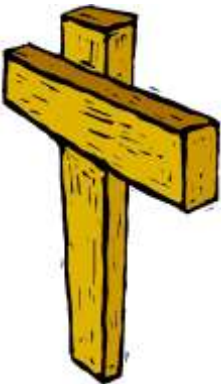
Usher –
Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer – Steve Carmack
Lord’s Supper – Darrell Smothers
Closing Prayer – Pat Carmack
Security –

PM Service:

Announcements – Larry Carden
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers
Lord’s Supper – Darrell Smothers
Closing Prayer – Jimmy Hartman
Security –

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Raymond Neal
Security –



- Justin Paschall – 2
- Margaret Parker – 9
- Darrin Hamlin – 10
- Raymond Neal – 11
- Darlene Underwood – 13
- JB Tharpe – 16
- Reagan Paschall – 17
- Cynthia Hunt – 20
- Evelyn Smith – 20
- Bret Carmack – 23
- Tommy Climer – 23
- Rylee Moore – 23
- Nell Dodson – 24



Mark Your Calendars!

- **Aug. 19th** – Ladies’ Bible Class at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Aug. 26th** – Ladies’ Bible Class at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Sept. 2nd** – Ladies’ Bible Class at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Sept. 9th** – Ladies’ Bible Class at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Sept. 11th** – Ladies’ Day at the Mountain Home church of Christ with Celine Sparks. More info on the bulletin board.

Memorials Received

Memorials have been received for Lou Leatherwood.

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.
- There are those in our church family and extended families who have been diagnosed with COVID. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Carson Hamlin has been diagnosed with COVID. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Randy Roark’s bladder cancer has returned. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Mark Paschall (Justin’s father) continues to heal from surgery. The pathology report shows the cancer was contained. He will need a round of radiation after he heals from surgery. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Jill Shirley will have a lung biopsy soon. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Lou Leatherwood passed away. Funeral services were held Friday (7/30). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Randal Arnold’s (Margaret Parker’s son) surgery (7/19) went well. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Gloria Crook had a nephew pass away. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Raymond Neal continues to recover at home from a broken rib and punctured/collapsed lung. Please keep him in your prayers.
- David Bridges: Please continue to keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Scott King’s (John and Lillie’s son) cancer has returned. He took a treatment and will see the doctor in August for further tests. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Roger and Elizabeth Tillman are both dealing with serious health problems. Elizabeth has broken both shoulders requiring surgery. Please keep them both in your prayers.
- Heather Daniels has cancer and has been placed on hospice. Please keep her and her husband Kevin in your prayers.
- Tommy Watts (David Watts’ brother) is having some health problems. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Darrin Hamlin is scheduled to begin rehab on his shoulder this week. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Brenda Sutton, Dorothy Bridges, Lillie Dennison, Ronnie Etheridge, Joyce Dunaway, Everett Presson, Frances Harrell, Tyler Newman, Justin Hendrix, Elvis Gay, Leslie Barnes, Reg Carmack, Tommy White, Doris Sandlin, Terry Young, Bert Lussier, Betty Arthur, Gene Turner, Tommy and Linda Climer, David Jennings, Drexel Reed, Josephine Latham, 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.

“The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much” (James 5:16)