

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 1st

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 51
Sun. AM Worship – 86
Sun. PM Worship – 63
Wed. Night (8/4) – 65

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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8:15 AM

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

When His Longsuffering Ends...

We have difficulty grasping God with our limited intelligence. Although we cannot fully understand God, we can learn things about Him through His Word. One of those things that we know about God is that He is longsuffering. “The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance” (2 Peter 3:9).

Webster defines longsuffering as “long and patient endurance of offense.” There is little doubt to those with just a little Bible knowledge that God has been longsuffering. There are countless examples in the Bible of this very fact.

God was longsuffering during the days of Noah (1 Peter 3:20). From the time He commanded Noah to build the ark till the flood came, God waited approximately 120 years. Over a century was given for the world to turn before God’s longsuffering ended.

God was longsuffering toward the nation of Israel. God’s longsuffering towards Israel was even longer than that shown in the days of Noah. God pleaded with them through His servants Moses and Joshua, through the judges, through some of the kings, and through His prophets. Sometimes the people heeded the words of God’s messengers, but their obedience was always short lived. God was longsuffering for centuries, but eventually it ended.

God has also been longsuffering to you and me. If you have not yet become a Christian, He has been longsuffering to you giving you another opportunity. If you are a Christian but are living unfaithfully, God is giving you a chance to get your life right. God has been longsuffering, but that longsuffering will run out.

Although God’s longsuffering is great; it does eventually end. When it came to an end in the days of Noah, all but eight individuals died because of the flood. When His longsuffering ended toward the nation of Israel, they were taken into captivity.

And eventually His longsuffering will end for you. “And to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ” (2 Thessalonians 1:7-8). But there is good news. If you are reading this, then He has extended His longsuffering to you once more. He is longsuffering to you because He wants you to be saved (2 Peter 3:15). Don’t put it off any longer, because when His longsuffering ends...

~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 – Larry Carden

AM Service:

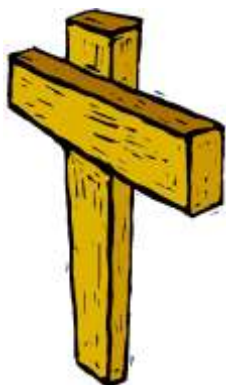
Usher –
Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
Lord’s Supper – Larry Spiess
Closing Prayer – Jimmy Hartman
Security –

PM Service:

Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer – MacArthur Watkins
Lord’s Supper – Larry Spiess
Closing Prayer – Larry Carden
Security –

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual –
Opening Prayer – Larry Carden
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – David Watts
Security –



August Birthdays

- 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. 14th** – Ladies’ Day at the Sitka church of Christ with Alesha Ezelle. More info on the bulletin board.
- **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.
- Randy Roark’s bladder cancer has returned. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Mark Paschall’s (Justin’s father) surgery on Thursday (7/29) went as planned. The pathology report will determine the next steps. 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.
- Amber Gomez (David Watts’ niece): Please keep this entire family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Brooke and recover from their injuries.
- Sammy Cannon has cancer and is in need of 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, Lou Leatherwood, Brenda Sutton, Gene Turner, Lillie Dennison, 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.