

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 January 16th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – no service
Sun. AM Worship – no service
Sun. PM Worship – no service
Wed. Night (1/19) – 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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“Where the Gospel is Preached and People are Loved!”

We Need a Light!

Recent destructive tornadoes in our country have caused me to think about how dangerous such storms are when they come in the dark of night. You can’t look outside and see them coming!

When I was a kid, radar technology wasn’t anywhere near the quality we have today. White blobs on a black background may have told you rainclouds were present, but you didn’t know if there were dangerous storms in those blobs. Today, of course, we have Doppler radar which makes it much easier to see rotating storms, but there is still danger in the night when people are asleep or otherwise not paying attention.

Spiritually, there is great danger in the darkness, as well. In the obscurity of shadows, we might fall victim to many things:

Unseen Obstacles. “The way of the wicked *is* like darkness; They do not know what makes them stumble” (Prov. 4:19). To keep us from tripping, we need a light! The word of God is the floodlight to keep us safe (Psalm 119:105).

Predators. Vicious hunters roam about at night to give themselves an advantage over their prey. Satan is a predator (1 Peter 5:8), and he wants to keep you in the dark. We need a light to see predators for what they really are (John 3:20).

Sin. How many evil deeds take place at night? Adulterers, thieves, and murders do their work in cover of darkness (Job 24:13-17), as do drunkards (1 Thess. 5:7). We need a light to expose darkness and keep us from sin (Eph. 5:8-12).

Doubt and Confusion. The Philippian jailor made a snap judgment based on incomplete information, almost committing suicide because he feared he had lost all his prisoners (Acts 16:25-34). Having already drawn his sword to end his own life, he stopped when Paul told him that everyone was still there. It was only after this that the jailor “called for a light” (Acts 16:29) to see for himself the true state of affairs. We need a light to get rid of doubt and confusion!

We need a light, and that light is Jesus the Christ. “Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life’” (John 8:12). Are you walking in the light of the Lord?

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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!”

Those Privileged to Serve:

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Bryan Hartman
Audio/Visual – Justin Paschall
Security – Frank Carmack

AM Service:

Announcements – MacArthur Watkins
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Bryan Hartman
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Steve Carmack
Lord's Supper – David Watts
Closing Prayer – David Snell
Security – Frank Carmack

PM Service:

Announcements – MacArthur Watkins
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Bryan Hartman
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
Lord's Supper – David Watts
Closing Prayer – Steven Dodson
Security – Frank Carmack

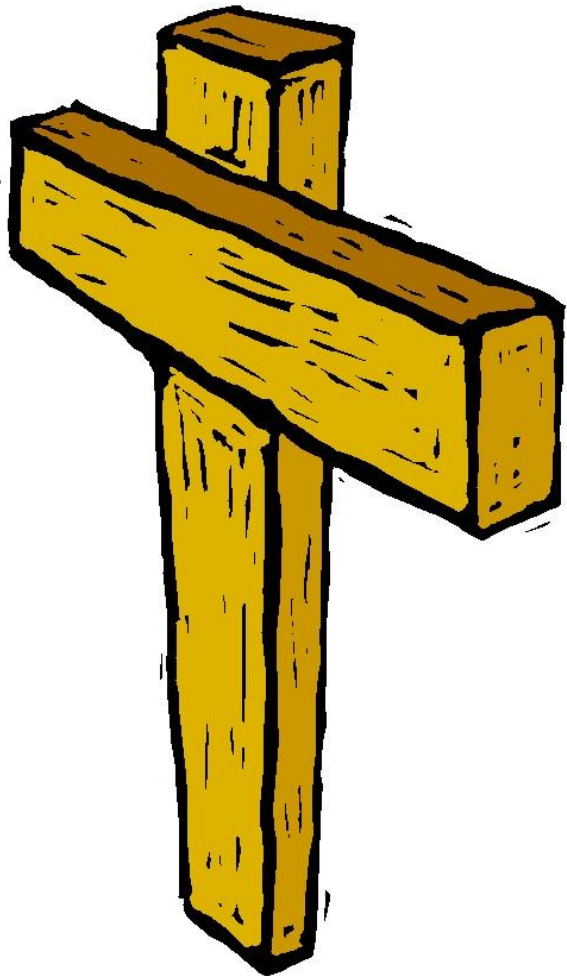
Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Shannon Williams
Audio/Visual – Steven Dodson
Opening Prayer – Larry Spiess
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – Joe Hunt
Security – Bret Carmack

**Thanks to all of the men who
lead in our worship service!**

January Birthdays

- Frank Carmack – 4
- Landon Carmack – 7
- Brent White – 11
- Chrystal Hartman – 12
- Micah Paschall – 13
- Rebecca White – 18
- Perrilyn Cherry – 19
- Zahmyia Harper – 20
- Luke Hartman – 22
- TJ White – 24
- Judy Moore – 24
- Georgia Carden – 26



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.
- We have been asked to keep the students, teachers, and administrators of the Ripley School System (especially the high school) in your prayers.
- Steve Carmack had hernia surgery. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- David Bridges and Camden Tharpe have both been diagnosed with COVID. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Kenneth Roark had a shunt put in on Friday and has been moved to a step-down room. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- Kenny Stowe (friend of Gale Shaw) has been diagnosed with cancer in his arm/shoulder. He has an appointment at Vanderbilt and is hoping to avoid amputation. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Juanita Stanley (Rita Hartman's mom) passed away. Funeral services were on Friday (1/7). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Harley Holland, four-year-old daughter of Amanda Burdg, passed away from COVID. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Lillie Dennison is now at home. Please continue to keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Tommy and Linda Climer have both been moved to Ripley Rehab. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Bert Lussier is dealing with health problems. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Rae Sanders has been diagnosed with lung cancer. She will not be receiving any treatments and is on hospice. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Stella Young is having some problems with her back. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Drew Mays (Steve and Ann's grandson) has been diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes. Please keep him and the family in your prayers.
- Pam Carmack is at Lauderdale Community Living Center in room 109. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Kelli Alley (Julia Alley's daughter-in-law): Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Mark Paschall (Justin Paschall's father) has a PET scan and an MRI scheduled in the near future. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Tommy White, Josephine Latham, Dorothy Bridges, Scott King, Tim Etheridge, Terry Young, Tommy White, Tommy Watts, Roger and Elizabeth Tillman, Brenda Sutton, Joyce Dunaway, Everett Presson, Frances Harrell, Tyler Newman, Justin Hendrix, Elvis Gay, Leslie Barnes, Reg Carmack, Tommy White, Betty Arthur, Gene Turner, Tommy and Linda Climer, Drexel Reed, Sonny Arwood, Martha Duggar, Johnny Olds, Pam Carmack, Paul Bridges, Eunice Dobbs, Robert Taylor, and Johnnie Matthews: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.