

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
- Live Faithfully – Rev. 2:10

By The Numbers for April 24th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 85
Sun. AM Worship – 116
Sun. PM Worship – 76
Wed. Night (4/27) – 62

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!”

Why Attend Church Camp?

Our week at Reelfoot Youth Camp is rapidly approaching. I mentioned this past Wednesday night that not many have signed up yet. I hope everyone was just waiting until today’s deadline (which I am going to extend till next Sunday) to turn in your applications. But if you weren’t planning on sending your kid(s), let me give you seven reasons why you should.

First, church camp will help your child to grow spiritually. The camp is organized around wanting to help your child grow in their faith. Every day (Monday through Thursday) we have two Bible classes and an evening worship service. And there are conversations about religious things that take place outside of those formal settings. Camp is a great opportunity to help your child grow spiritually.

Second, church camp allows a young person to develop some independence in a controlled environment. Every day we have cabin inspections which means that beds must be made, clothes put away, and your area cleaned and organized. You are expected to stick to a schedule and be at the right place when it is time. Of course, counselors help guide the young people in these areas, but the children are expected to do the work and follow the rules without mom and dad watching over them.

Third, church camp will give your child some time to unplug from their electronic devices (provided you don’t send their phone with them!). Countless studies have shown the negative effects of too much screen time for young people. Tablets and handheld gaming devices are not allowed. Phones are permitted so long as they remain in the cabin, but I would suggest leaving them at home (there is a camp phone that can be used if they need to contact you, or you need to contact them).

Fourth, church camp provides an opportunity for your child to get some exercise. Due to the increased use of electronic devices, most young people don’t get enough physical exercise. At camp, we play different sports everyday and have evening activities that many times have a physical component to it.

Fifth, church camp gives your child the chance to meet other Christians and make new friends that they might not have ever met otherwise. Most regular attendees develop “camp” friends that they look forward to seeing each year. Also, many of the ones that attend camp are the same young people that attend the Monday night youth devotionals. It can be encouraging to see so many people who are seeking to follow God.

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Tommy Climer
Robert Anderson
Bret Carmack
Jimmy Hartman
Bryan Hartman
Steven Dodson
Shannon Williams

Minister:

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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 – Steven Dodson
Audio/Visual – Justin Paschall
Security – Frank Carmack

AM Service:

Announcements – Steve Carmack
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Steven Dodson
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Robert Taylor
Lord's Supper – David Watts
Closing Prayer – Larry Spiess
Security – Frank Carmack

PM Service:

Announcements – Steve Carmack
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Steven Dodson
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Darrell Smothers
Lord's Supper – David Watts
Closing Prayer – Pat Carmack
Security – Frank Carmack

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Bryan Hartman
Audio/Visual – Jimmy Hartman
Opening Prayer – Shannon Williams
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – MacArthur Watkins
Security – Robert Anderson

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

May Birthdays

- David Blakely – 1
- Melissa Williams – 2
- Sonny Arwood – 3
- Synthia Gibson – 6
- Walt Hunt – 7
- Carson Hamlin – 7
- Nancy Etheridge – 8
- Elaine Neal – 9
- Shirley Smothers – 19
- Linda Climer – 30



Mark Your Calendars!

- **May 5th** – Ladies' Bible Class at 6 pm in the fellowship hall.
- **May 14th** – Reelfoot Youth Camp Fish Fry and Spaghetti Supper from 4pm-7pm at the camp. 4304 Kendall Road, Hornbeak, TN.
- **June 5th-10th** – Reelfoot Youth Camp. Applications are on the white table and are due May 8th.
- **June 27th-29th** – Vacation Bible School.
- **July 17th-20th** – Gospel Meeting with Justin Rogers.

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Sixth, it's fun! If your child gets involved with everything going on, I can assure you that they will have a great time at camp. All the activities are designed to get everyone involved in the action. Camp is what you make of it, and it is designed to be fun.

Finally, you get a break. We all love our children, but every now and then a little respite from parenting is beneficial, and camp can provide you with that much needed break.

Many have described the week of camp as the closest to Heaven that we can get this side of eternity. Why wouldn't you want your child to be there? Applications are on the white table in the foyer!

~Justin

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 our prayers.
- Scott Sanders (Beverly Sanders' son) has spots on his colon and a mass on his liver that will need to be biopsied. Please keep him in your prayers.
- JoAnn Spiess is dealing with some health issues. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Brian Dew (Janet Colvin's son) had a heart attack. He had two stents put in and is back home recovering. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Porshia McClish (Rita Watkins' niece) passed away. Funeral services are today (5/1). Visitation is from 11-1 at Thompson Mortuary with a graveside service to follow. Please keep this family in your prayers.
- Bert Lussier is having some health problems. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Micah Paschall is dealing with severe sciatica and will see a chiropractor on Monday. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Reg Carmack is dealing with some health problems. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Renee Blakely is still experiencing some health difficulties. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Marian Smith (Evelyn's sister-in-law) has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Alan Sheckell's (Synthia Gibson's nephew) is dealing with some complications from his surgery. Please keep him and the family in your prayers.
- Ruth King (Beverly Sander's sister-in-law) continues to receive treatment for cancer. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- David Bridges received great news and will be able to discontinue his chemo treatments. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
- Tommy and Linda Climer: Linda was transferred to a memory care unit in Franklin. Tommy will continue at Ripley Rehab for now. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Mark Paschall (Justin Paschall's father) is taking chemo. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Pam Carmack, Lillie Dennison, Terry and Stella Young, Tommy White, Josephine Latham, Dorothy Bridges, Scott King, Tim Etheridge, Tommy White, Tommy Watts, Brenda Sutton, Joyce Dunaway, Everett Presson, Frances Harrell, Tyler Newman, Justin Hendrix, Elvis Gay, Leslie Barnes, Reg Carmack, Betty Arthur, Drexel Reed, Sonny Arwood, Martha Duggar, Johnny Olds, Paul Bridges, Eunice Dobbs, Robert Taylor, and Johnnie Matthews: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.

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