

**April 24, 2016
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Announcements

Jarvene Shackelford

Song Leader

Johnny Cissom

Scripture Reading

Jack Harris

Opening Prayer

Brad McAlister (A.M.) Danny Shackelford (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Terry Chapman (A.M.) Michiel Criswell (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Barrett Chapman (Presiding),

Eli Carter, Britt Lindley, Rickey Loveless

Count and Usher

Casey Harris

Kevin Shackelford

Prepare Communion

Romia Palmer & Janette Rickles

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Chance Criswell (05/04/16)

OUR RECORD

April 17, 2016

Sunday Bible Study 133

Sunday Morning Worship: 190

Sunday Evening Worship: 146

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 95

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$3,928

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What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7; Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).

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THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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ELDERS: Barrett Chapman, Jarvene Shackelford, Tommy Wade
DEACONS: Terry Chapman, Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless, Brad McAlister, Joel Moore, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood
PREACHER: Mark Lindley

Chapman Church of Christ
Invites you to

"Seeking The Lost"

Billy Bland

April 24, 2016

10:00 a.m. Bible Study
10:45 a.m. Worship
Lunch will be provided.

1:30 p.m. Afternoon Service

You're In My Seat!
by Steve Higginbotham

Once upon a time, in a church far, far away from any church we've ever attended, there was a small band of Christians who met together every Sunday to worship God.

These regular assemblies were conducted faithfully for many years, but without any change in the people who were occupying the seats.

One day, one of the members of this small band of Christians made the observation that if they wanted their church to grow, they needed to do more than unlock the doors and turn on the lights; they needed to invite their neighbors and friends.

So they did. John and Jane Doe were among those who received an invitation to this assembly and they decided to accept the invitation.

Not wanting to arrive late, John and Jane arrived early and sat on the third pew from the back. Shortly after getting settled, a lady approached their pew and just stood at the end of their aisle looking at them. John Doe rose to his feet to greet this woman whom he thought was wanting to get acquainted, only to hear her tersely say, "This is my seat. You're sitting in my seat." Embarrassed, John and Jane Doe apologized, gathered their things and moved to another pew, only to have this same scenario play out once again.

Now bewildered, embarrassed, and more than a little hurt, John and Jane Doe, afraid of sitting in yet another person's seat, gathered their belongings and exited the building, never to return again. As for this little band of Christians, they continue to assemble each Sunday, sitting in their pew; their "own pew;" the pew they value more than a soul.

**Dear Lord, forgive us for our shortsightedness, our misplaced priorities, and bless us with so many visitors eager to study and worship, that none of us get to sit in "our own pew."

Most of the Time...
Tony Williams

Most of the time, I act like a Christian should. Most of the time, I can withstand Satan and his temptations. Most of the time, I read my Bible on a regular basis. Most of the time, I am a good father and husband. Most of the time, I try to be cheerful and think of others before myself. Then there are other times. There are times when I am weak. There are times I just don't feel like considering the needs of others. There are times when I am just too busy or tired to read my Bible, so I let it go for the day. I have noticed a correlation between the times I fail to read my Bible and the times I am more susceptible to the fiery darts of the wicked one (Eph. 6:16). There are times when I let God down. There are times when I let God down, again. However, Jesus was not a "most of the time" person. He was in all points tempted as we are, yet He did not ever sin (Heb. 4:15). He intercedes for us (Rom. 8:34). When we are weak and encounter our "other times", He is our advocate with the Father (1 John 2:1). I have noticed time and again, that God takes care of me and continues to take care of me, even when I let Him down. I feel horrible when I fail to do His will and yield to temptation. I thank God, through His Son Jesus Christ, that I can be forgiven of sin. This will cause me to say that ALL OF THE TIME, when I sing in worship to the Lord, I will praise Him with eyes full of tears for what He has done for me!

UPCOMING MAY EVENTS

MAY 1, 2016

Chapman Singing
Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home
at 2 PM

MAY 1, 2016

**LADS TO LEADERS
AWARDS NIGHT & KICK OFF**
After evening services in fellowship hall.
Please make plans to come and help honor
our 2016 Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes
participates.
Sign up sheets will be available for students
and adults for 2017!
Hamburgers & Hotdogs will be served.
Ladies please bring chips/dip, desserts or 2 liter drinks.

May 15, 2016

Wedding Shower
Kelsey Hefner and Jordan Staggs
2 to 3:30PM
Fellowship Hall
Registered at Walmart.

May 22, 2016

SENIOR NIGHT
After evening services in fellowship hall.
Congratulations to our 2016 graduating high
school senior:
Kristen Bridges McVey.
Please make plans to join us in wishing her well
in her future endeavors.
Ladies please bring finger foods, desserts or 2 liter drinks.

May 29, 2016

Fifth Sunday
Fellowship meal (potluck) after morning service.
Evening service at 1:30 PM conducted by Chapman
young men.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**GREAT 2016 SPRING
BRING!**

Thanks to everyone who had a part in our "Spring Bring." We were blessed to have so many visitors. We appreciate all who invited other, helped spring clean and to all who prepared the wonderful meal. It was truly a great day!

**"Seeking The Lost"
Billy Bland**

April 24, 2016

We will have a fellowship meal (potluck)
followed by services at 1:30 p.m.

PROGRAMS OF WORK

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Wayne Hill (Uncle of Alison Wade) and Rosemary Ward (Beech Hill).

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Mallory Chapman, Curtis Mauney, Wilma Wood

•**IN HOSPITAL:** Rhett Sanderson (Newborn, Memphis)

•**HOME RECOVERING:** Robin Chapman, Audrey Box, Joan Berryman, Deborah Gullick, Amy Chapman, Anna Palmer

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Hollis Fowler (Frankie Fowler's Father), Ed James Pannell, Connie Mauney, Randall Hancock (Liver & Kidney Transplant - Dawn Stroupe's Father), Taylor Crawford, Genice Collette (Mildred Shackelford's Sister), Tony Morrison, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Fagin and Johnnie Carpenter, Sandra & Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Wayne Crabb, Lester Wommack, Grady Chandler, Lorie Christian, Deborah Gullick (Mother of Stephanie McAlister, Bo & Brian Chapman), Doug Pannell, Don Allen Riggs (19, student at FU from El Paso, TX), has stage 3 cancer. Cards may be sent to Target House 1, 1811 Poplar Ave, Apt. 211, Memphis, TN 38104), Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Rodney Hilliard, Bob Shelton, Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Jennifer Pannell (Niece of Sharon Pannell), Merida Bane (Barrett & Starrett Chapman's Sister), Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno, Ruth Greer, Margie James.

•**SHUT-INS:** *Resthaven:* Oleta Phillips (*Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663*), *Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home:* Bonnie Chapman, Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman (*Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663*).