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 January 8th

Attendance:
Sun. Bible Study – 80
Sun. AM Worship – 123
Sun. PM Worship – 76
Wed. Night (1/11) – 77

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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"Come Worship with Us!"

For Motion Picture Use Only

Back during our Gospel Meeting last year, someone found half of a $100 bill on the ground in the parking lot (it appeared to have fought and lost with a lawnmower). They turned it into me, and we made an announcement at the meeting to see if anyone was missing it. No one came forward so I stuck it in my office and forgot about it.

A week later I was pulling around the building to come to the office and saw a small piece of paper blowing across the edge of the grass. I hopped out to grab it and toss it in the garbage. But it wasn't just paper, it was the other half of the $100 dollar bill!

I found the other half in my office, and they matched. I had planned to take it by the bank later that day, but as I was looking at the bill, I noticed that some of the parts that were normally reflective were not. I held it to the light and noticed that the strip was missing as well. It was then that I noticed a tiny word above one of the 100s on the back – COPY. On the front of the bill, I discovered the phrase, "For Motion Picture Use Only."

It was prop money, used in commercials and movies instead of the real thing. It looked so close to the real thing that if you weren't careful, you could easily be fooled. In fact, there have been instances where people have used such money to purchase things illegally.

It brought to mind how cunning Satan is and how he uses his own form of "prop money" to deceive us. He knows that most of us would never outright reject God, Jesus, the Church, or Christianity. So instead, he mixes in some false teaching, or he shifts the focus slightly from spiritual things to physical things. Maybe he plants seeds of bitterness and anger to root out love.

Whatever tactic he employs, he changes things just enough to where it still looks good, but it is no longer the genuine article. Don't be fooled! Study your Bible for yourself. Make sure that your life matches with what God has said, nothing more and nothing less. Stay away from Satan's "prop money"!

~Justin

Those Privileged to Serve:

AM Bible Study:
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Shannon Williams
Audio/Visual – Justin Paschall
Security – Darrell Smothers

AM Service:
Announcements – Steven Dodson
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Shannon Williams
Audio/Visual – Bryan Hartman
Opening Prayer – Joe Hunt
Lord's Supper – David Watts
Closing Prayer – David Snell
Security – Darrell Smothers

PM Service:
Announcements – Steven Dodson
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Shannon Williams
Audio/Visual – Steven Dodson
Opening Prayer – Robert Taylor
Lord's Supper – David Watts
Closing Prayer – Raymond Neal
Security – Darrell Smothers

Wednesday Night:
Song Leader – David Snell
Facebook Live – Steven Dodson
Audio/Visual – Bret Carmack
Opening Prayer – Shannon Williams & Devotional
Closing Prayer – Bryan Hartman
Security – Joel Sutton

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

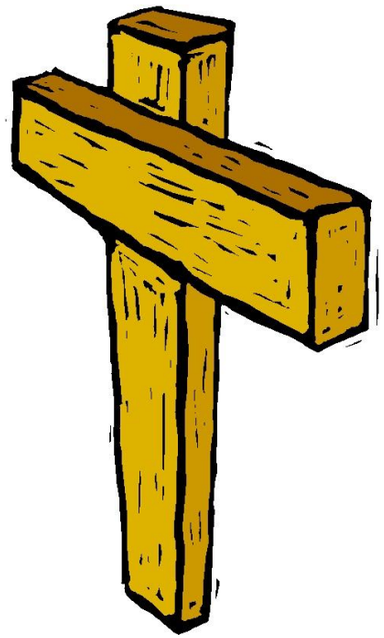
January Birthdays



- 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

Mark Your Calendars!

- **Jan. 18th** – Wednesday Night Winter Warmup Meal at 5:30 pm in the fellowship hall.
- **Jan. 25th** – Wednesday Night Winter Warmup Meal at 5:30 pm in the fellowship hall.
- **Feb. 1st** – Wednesday Night Winter Warmup Meal at 5:30 pm in the fellowship hall.



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.
- Lots of folks have been sick over the past few weeks with flu, covid, strep, etc. Please remember those that you know about in your prayers.
- Cara Ungerechat (Janet Colvin's daughter) had surgery on Thursday (1/12). Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Tommy Climer passed away on Wednesday (1/4). His funeral was on Sunday (1/8). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Lanie Stanley fell and broke her wrist. She had surgery to insert a pin on Monday (1/9). Please keep her in your prayers.
- Scott Sanders (Beverly Sanders' son) is having several complications and has a long road ahead of him. Please keep him in your prayers as he recovers.
- Deon Williams (Shannon Williams' brother) was in a serious car accident. He is home recovering. Pease keep him in your prayers.
- Dorothy Bridges passed away. A Celebration of Life was held on Friday (12/30). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Alexis White had a car accident. Thankfully she only suffered minor injuries. Please keep her in your prayers as she recovers.
- Larry Spiess is continuing his treatments for cancer. He received good news that the treatments are being effective! Please keep him and JoAnn in your prayers.
- Frances Harrell is not doing well. Please keep her in your prayers.
- James Sangster (Robert Anderson's father) passed away. Funeral services were held Saturday (12/10). Please keep the family in your prayers.
- Josie Dodson: Everything checked out well for Josie. Please thank God for these results.
- Alan Sheckell: (Synthia Gibson's nephew) Please keep him and the family in your prayers as he battles cancer.
- Kim White is doing some better. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.
- Pam Carmack, Tommy White, Scott Sanders, David Blakely, Marian Smith, Tim Etheridge, Linda Climer, Ruth King, Lillie Dennison, Terry and Stella Young, Josephine Latham, Tommy Watts, Brenda Sutton, Joyce Dunaway, Everett Presson, Frances Harrell, Tyler Newman, Justin Hendrix, Elvis Gay, Leslie Barnes, Betty Arthur, Drexel Reed, Martha Duggar, Paul Bridges, 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)