# The Ripley Reminder



# Service Times Sunday Bible Study······ 9:30 AM Sunday Morning ···· 10:20 AM Sunday Evening··· 5:00 PM Wednesday Evening··· 7:00 PM

#### **MINISTERS**

Dr. Donnie DeBord Cole Chapman Tucker Shappley

#### **ELDERS**

David Cook Michael Harrison Mark Martindale

#### **DEACONS**

Ronald Chapman
Rob Elliott
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David Hudson
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Sonny Meeks
Brad Pounders
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LET'S TAKE A MINUTE:

#### **GOD'S PLAN FOR YOU AND ME**

And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (Rom. 12:2)

God has a plan for every life. This concept is often tied to the Bible verse which says, "For I know the plans I have for you, declared the Lord...to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

He has not revealed His plans for us through fortune-tellers, astrologers, soothsayers or the like. His will requires that men obey the gospel and become a Christian. The life He wants us to live becomes known as we study, and abide by, His inspired Word. David wrote, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." (Ps.119:105)

When one becomes a Christian and strives to follow Christ, he or she begins a whole new life, not lived for oneself, but for Christ!

Whatever decisions you face today, commit them to God and seek His guidance.

My Minute's Up!

James A. Horton

### LOVE IS FOR A LIFETIME

Love Never Fails (I Cor. 13:8)

True love never diminishes. It just keeps on going and going!

Several years ago, there lived an elderly couple in our neighborhood who demonstrated the principle of enduring love. This was evident by the husband taking care of his aged wife. I had seen pictures of them as a much younger couple when the wife was quite attractive. But when I knew them, her face no longer possessed the fresh bloom of youth. Her hands showed what one commercial refers to as "those horrid age spots." In addition, she was going through the stages of a progressively debilitating disease. It reached the point where she was unable to take care of herself and needed daily assistance.

But the man's love for his wife never weakened! He took care of her every need. His wife became the center of his existence. He gave all his time to stay by her side, even when she was not even aware of his presence!

Yet, he never complained nor doubted his priorities. He loved her! Of course, he would spend as much time by her side as possible - until time took her away! Love is like that. It is enduring to the end. Love is for a lifetime!

My minute's up.

James A, Horton

## **January 2025 Worklist**

Welcome	Sunday Song Leader	Read Scriptur	<u>re</u>	
Jan 5 David Cook	Caleb James	Timmy DeBor	rd	
Jan 12 Cole Chapman	Nathan Stanford	Mike Bennett		
Jan 19 Mark Martindale	Ronald Chapman	Chapman Anderson Thompson		
Jan 26 Donnie DeBord	Tucker Shappley Cole Chapman		n	
Opening Prayer AM	PM Closing	Prayer AM	<u>PM</u>	
Jan 5 Mark Martindale	Brad Pounders	Dean Caviness	David Hudson	
Jan 12 Sonny Meeks	Tucker Shappley	Clay Crawford	Billy Morton	
Jan 19 David Cook	Rob Elliott	Barry Grisham	Hunter Kuhl	
Jan 26 Justin Thompson	Brent Kuhl	Rodney Chapman	Palmer Jones	
Lord's Table AM Assisting at the Lord's Table AM Lord's Table PM				
Jan 5 Josh James Nathan Robertson, Dan Shappley, Stephen Wallace Mike Hurst				
Jan 12 Sam Green Benny Wallis, Dave Osborn, Darrell Tatum Hayden Kuhl			Hayden Kuhl	
Jan 19 Michael Harrison Mike			Mike Hudson	
Jan 26 Paul Macaluso			Justin Luster	
<u>Ushers:</u> Benny Walker				

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<u>Lock Doors:</u> Ronald Chapman

#### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Daisy Roberson, Jeff Roberson's mother is in the Tippah County Hospital with the flu. Please pray for a speedy recovery.
- Benny Thornton is in rehab. Please pray for good results and a speedy recovery.
- Please pray for the following people from Middleton who work with or their spouse works with Brad Pounders:

Paula Dowty has had surgery for breast cancer and is currently undergoing chemo, Steve Robinson is recovering from prostate surgery to remove cancer ,and Donald McTizic has a tumor behind his eye.

#### Please keep these in your thoughts and prayers:

Ann Akins, Peggy Wallis, Johnnie Jumper, James Nunnally, Lindsay Garrison, Pattie Box, Wade Carmichael, Brenda Koon, Carol Smith, Ali Rae Barkley, Cora Chills, Austin Wentz, Jan Rooker, Lori Chapman, Mike Harrison, Shan Grisham, Trey Smith, Lenox Kennamore, Clem Edge, Linda Cook, Dianne Butler, Susan Ainsworth, Billy Hugh McBryde, Phil Young, Tom Childers, Paula Dowty, Steve Robinson, Donald McTizic

Diversicare: Terri Barkley C-9, Cindy Holly D-8

#### **NEWS & NOTES**

- The REVIVE Conference will be on February 1, 2025 from 3:30-8:00.
- Teacher rotation for Nursery—6th grade will be January 2nd.
- Our Bible reading program for the new year will be a reading the Bible in chronological order. login.youversion.com See Donnie DeBord for questions.
- Wednesday nights services for January 1st will be moved to January 2.
- Wednesday night fellowship meals will resume January 8.
- Beyond the Valley Grief Seminar will be January 18-19 at Chapman Church of Christ. January 18 will begin at 2:00 and January 19 will begin with Bible class at 10:00, Worship at 10:45, Lunch at 12:00 and evening worship at 1:30. For more information a flyer is in the foyer.
- Cooper Pounders will be going on a mission trip to Anchorage, Alaska, during Spring Break. If you would like to help with some of his expenses, donations can be given to any of our deacons.
- We need to restock our food pantry. Any canned foods are needed.
- Allison Harrison and Morgan Bynum will be nursery attendants this Sunday.

	Service January 5, 2025
Welcome	David Cook
Song Leader	
Read Scripture	Timmy DeBOrd
	Nathan Robertson, Dan Shappley, Stephen Wallace
	Benny Wallis, Dave Osborn, Darrell Tatum
Opening Prayer PM	Brad Pounders
Lord's Supper PM	Mike Hurst
Closing Prayer PM	
Usher	Benny Walker
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