The Ripley Reminder



Service Times

Sunday Bible Study ····	····9:30 AM
Sunday Morning	·· 10:20 AM
Sunday Evening ······	
Wednesday Evening ···	

MINISTERS

Dr. Donnie DeBord Cole Chapman Tucker Shappley

ELDERS

David Cook Michael Harrison Mark Martindale

DEACONS

Ronald Chapman Rob Elliott Shane Green David Hudson Sonny Meeks Brad Pounders Nathan Robertson Kenny Schmitz Justin Thompson Benny Wallis Bruce Wallis

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6:00PM

1300 HALL DRIVE RIPLEY, MS 38663

FOOD, FUN, FELLOWSHIP, AND MORE!!

HAVE YOU "SLIPPED YOUR MOORINGS?"

"For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted the heavenly gift, and have become partakers of the Holy Spirit. . . if they fall away, to renew them against unto repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame." (Heb. 6:4-6)

We have all driven on a bridge over water and looked down to see boats of various kinds tied to docks in a marina. The word most often used to refer to the anchoring of a vessel is "mooring."

Some time ago, the phrase, "Slipping your moorings" referred to one's vessel breaking loose from its ropes and beginning to float on its own out of the marina, carried by the wind, to points unknown!

Then the phrase, "Slipped your moorings" came to refer a person who had lost control of his life and began to drift from his commitment to the Lord in failing to live up to his allegiance to Christ when he obeyed the gospel and became a Christian.

The same idea is expressed in the song we sometimes sing in our worship: ""We Have an Anchor," (#467 in our hymnal). The second stanza says: 'It is safely moored, 'twill the storm withstand; For 'tis well secured by the Savior's hand."

This topic reflects upon the principle expressed in Deut. 32:35 where God expressed the slippery condition of the disobedient: ". . . their foot shall slid in due time; for the day of their calamity isat hand." A Christian who "Slips his moorings" is in a most dangerous position!

Therefore, we are warned of God to maintain faithfulness to His will for our lives! David confidently expressed God's continual help in his obedience when he said: "Nevertheless I am continually with You. You hold me by my right hand. You will guide me by Your counsel, and afterward receive me to glory." (Ps. 73:23) "For indeed, those who are far from You shall perish." (vs.27)

So, have you "Slipped Your Moorings?" and will you sing: "I've wandered far away from God, Now I'm coming home?" (p. 936) As the father welcomed his 'prodigal son,' so will your Heavenly Father welcome you back to His fold!

My minute's up!

James A. Horton

"For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised." Hebrews 10:36

Patience is powerful because it frees you from the control of the devil and the circumstances he brings to upset you. Patience—which is a fruit of the Spirit—grows through trials. It is during these times that you can develop the ability to remain strong and stable. Patience is required if you are to see the fulfillment of God's promises in your life. So it is important to develop control over your thoughts and what you say when you are faced with challenging circumstances. Remember that what you think generally comes out as your words and words cannot be stuffed back in your mouth, just like toothpaste can't be stuffed back in its tube! Ask God today for help to control your thoughts and words... be still and listen for His help!!!! THEN acknowledge His power and say, "Thank-you Lord!!!For Your Help!!!!"



The Family of Jack Garner

For over 70 years our family has had the privilege of belonging to this wonderful congregation. You have always supported us through good times and bad. The past few weeks, during the sickness and death of Daddy, Jack Garner, have been no exception.

All expressions of love and sympathy will be cherished in the years to come.

In Christian love,

Regina and Billy

Al and Sharon

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- Alice Cross is having chemotherapy treatment. Please pray for her and her family.
- Chris Grisham is taking treatments. Remember her and her family in your prayers.
- Pray for Susan Ainsworth, sister of Sharon Macaluso. Her cancer has returned.
- Debbie Ricks, sister of Jerry Green, has recently been diagnosed with cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Please remember Inona Mauney in your prayers. She had heart valve replacement and is doing well. She is the sister of Wanda Orman
- Michael Alsip will have surgery October 20th.
- Pam Thompson, aunt of Justin Thompson passed away. Pray for this family during this
 difficult time.

Please keep these in your thoughts and prayers:

Susan Ainsworth, Ann Akins, Ali Rae Barkley, Pattie Box, Annette Brooks, Dianne Butler, Wade Carmichael, Lori Chapman, Tom Childers, Cora Chills, Alice Cross, Paula Dowty, Chris Grisham, Shan Grisham, Kenny James, James Johnston, James Allen Johnston, Vince Jordan, Johnnie Jumper, David Lipe, Inona Mauney, Billy Hugh McBryde, Donald McTizi, Sharon Monson, Debbie Ricks, Steve Robinson, Jan Rooker, Carol Smith, Trey Smith, Anna Hearn Thompson, Peggy Wallis, Austin Wentz, Jimmy Willingham, Dennis Woods

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

NEWS & NOTES

- Remember our Wednesday night Fellowship Meal on October 15 at 6:00. The menu will be chicken spaghetti. Bible Study will follow at 7:00.
- If you would like to participate in Secret Sisters, there are forms in the foyer. Contact Isabella Thompson if you have questions.
- Lads to Leaders registration is going back to their old system. Please pick up adult/students and hotel forms from the youth table and turn them in to Dana Chapman with your registration fee. There will be a meeting October 19 to finalize this information.
- Trunk or Treat will be October 25. Sign up lists are on the Table in the foyer.
- Brittany and Emry Tatum will be keeping the nursery this Sunday.

Worship Service October 12, 2025	
Welcome	Tucker Shappley
Song Leader AM	Josh James
Opening Prayer AM	Brad Pounders
Read Scripture	Jonah James
Lord' Supper AM	Paul Macaluso
Assisting at the Lord's Table AM	Nathan Robertson, Justin Bennett, Justin Luster
	Ronald Chapman, Jerry Green, Clay Crawford
Closing Prayer AM	
Song Leader PM	Ronald Chapman
Opening Prayer PM	Benny Wallis
Lord's Supper PM	Mike Hudson
Closing Prayer PM	Brent Kuhl