



ORDER OF WORSHIP

*This is the Day
Give Thanks*

Welcome.....Earl Santymire

Romans 8:24.....David Gee

*Awesome God
He is Wonderful
There is a Habitation*

Prayer Jared Guenther

Magnificat

Communion..... Will Case

*House of the Lord
Revelation Song*

SermonHarvey Hearn

*My Only Hope is You
He Knows My Name*

Taking a Good Look at God

The Psalmist said, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help" (Psalm 121:1). The Psalmist is speaking from the land of exile and expresses his faith in the Lord, who can provide unique help for victorious living in difficult days.

For the help we need in this critical hour, we have been looking in the wrong direction for too long. Everything depends on how and to whom we look in times of crisis.

Someone said, "If you wish to be disappointed, look to others. If you wish to be downhearted, look to yourself. If you wish to be encouraged and to experience victory, look to God."

Our age has been described as the age of guided missiles and misguided men. If this is true, it is due to the fact that men have been looking in the wrong direction for guidance and help. It is true that some never lift their eyes to look to God. They look to scientists, they look to politicians, they look to military leaders, they look to educational institutions, but they never look to that one unfailing source.

The Psalmist had discovered that one must look to a power higher than self, to an authority superior to human power, if one is to achieve real victory. He had discovered that only the Lord could provide the help, the joy, the assurance for which the heart hungers. From the desolate plains of the land of exile, the Psalmist declares that he will look to God for help. He speaks of God as his helper, as his keeper, and as his preserver.

1. Let us look to God for help (Psalm 46:1-3)
2. Let us look to God for happiness (Psalm 16:11)
3. Let us look to God for hope (Psalm 78:7)

The Psalmist faced the future with a calm confidence because he was looking unto the hills, looking to his God for help. He knew that God would be with him through the dark, gloomy valleys.

When the outlook seems gloomy, try the uplook!

Claude—a friend of Gerald Merritt

New Fall Quarter

The new fall quarter brochure listing Sunday morning and Wednesday night adult Bible classes are in the Great Hall and at each table.

49ers

We will be getting together on **Saturday, August 8 at 1:00 p.m.** for Bingo, a potluck dinner, and prizes. Bring your favorite covered dish and dessert to share! Contact Pam Merritt or Laura Qualls for questions.

Men's Breakfast

 Men's breakfast will be tomorrow morning at 7:30 a.m. at McDonald's at Concord Road and Nolensville Road. We hope to see you there!

Joke Night

Please make a change on your calendar. Joke night will be **August 30** not August 16. I'm not joking!! LOL

Remember Our Sick....

James Butts has returned home after a stay in St. Thomas West for a compression fracture in his spine. Prayers requested.

Willene Litton has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's. Prayers have been requested.

Mildred Mullins has returned home with special medication for approximately one week. Continued prayers requested.

Sharon Bowman, she is continuing her chemo treatments and healing from her fall.

Jeff Sublett is still dealing with symptoms affecting his speech and leg strength/balance. He has moved in with his son. His address is 161 Hickory Drive, Maynardville, TN 37807. He would love cards and prayers!

Open Door Ministry



There is a new season of the Open Door Ladies Ministry starting on **August 23, 2026. THIS IS OUR 8TH YEAR!!!!** It's based on Titus 2 where we are commanded as Older Women to teach Younger Women what is good. Friendship needs to be at the root of this communication to be effective. OPEN DOOR is to develop relationships between the generations and allow a comfortable and relaxed environment to nurture those relationships. Older Women (MOMS) and Younger Women (SISTERS) of each group will meet once a month around a dinner table in the home of an OPEN DOOR MOM. They will enjoy food, fellowship and a time for discussion. OPEN DOOR Ministry offers godly women an experience to be authentic and develop true friendships that will last lifetimes. This is a small group experience that will generate close, personal, caring and real interactions within each group.

If you would like more information there are forms on the Welcome Center Desk. Please fill out a registration if you are interested, leave your filled out form in the marked basket. **REGISTRATION Ends TODAY!** You can also call Janet York for more information.



Pray Continually

Here are a few of our people who need our daily prayers at this time: **Tina Brown, Steve Chadwell, Bonnie Cole, Winnie Cromer, Ruby Darks, Betty Duke, Ray and Vessie Falconberry, Jean Gambill, Dennis and Linda Green, Alene Hammond, Mascle Harris, Megan Cortez Jimenez, Tommy McGaha, Bobby and Mildred Mullins.**

Happy Anniversary

We want to wish **John and Joy Hooper** a wonderful anniversary! They will be celebrating their **51st** wedding anniversary on **Sunday, August 9!**

Happy Birthday

We want to wish a big "Happy Birthday" to **James Butts** who will be celebrating his **88th** birthday **Monday, August 10!!**

Congregational Upcoming Events

August 3—Men's Breakfast—7:30 a.m.

August 8—49ers—1:00 p.m.

August 17—Breakfast Buddies—9:30 a.m.

August 23—Open Door Tea

August 30—Joke Night

