

Prayer List of the Sick and Afflicted:

Elena Hawkins is still experiencing left knee pain after receiving a steroid injection. Allen Davis is recovering at home from surgery to remove a growth on his lung. Bryan Dyer completed his treatments for his cancer. Tests indicate it is in remission. Charlie Henard is receiving periodic infusions to treat his Multiple Sclerosis. David Cook had surgery to repair an aortic aneurysm and is now home. Virginia McKinney is battling kidney failure but has been able to attend services. Alice Wade's sister Shirley is being treated for lung cancer. Alice's sister Linda is also battling cancer that has spread to multiple locations and recently suffered a fall. Charles Blair is receiving rehab following hand surgery. Randall Jones is recovering from pneumonia and Linda is dealing with Parkinson's.

Our Shut-Ins:

Karen Sproles, Iris Hash, and Kathy Malowitz

Pray For The Mission Works We Are Supporting:

John Grubb and his wife, Eta (Mission work in Asia), Daniel Goshorn and family (Mission work in Peru). See reports of their works on the bulletin board.

2026 Morgan County Fair Booth:

We will once again have a booth in the merchant's building at the 2026 Morgan County Fair, July 10 – 18. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board to help out with this important work.

Benevolent Opportunity:

For the month of June, we are collecting ramen noodles for the MSD food pantry.

Men's Business Meeting:

The next monthly men's business meeting will be Wednesday, July 1st at 5:00 PM.

Monthly Pitch-in Dinner:

Our next pitch-in dinner will be today, following the morning service. Following the pitch-in, at 1:00 PM, we will have a service in song then dismiss for the day.

Area Gospel Meetings:

The Stop 11 Rd. congregation will have a gospel meeting June 7 - 10 with brother Neal Pollard. Services will be at 10 and 11 AM and 1:30 PM on Sunday and 7 PM Monday – Wednesday.

The Paris, IL congregation will have a gospel meeting June 21 – 24 with brother Robby Eversole. Services will be at 9 AM, 10 AM and 6 PM on Sunday and 7 PM Monday – Wednesday.

Radio Program:

Please remember to tune in every Sunday morning at 8:00 AM to WCBK 102.3 FM to hear our radio program which is entitled: "Preparing For Eternity".

God's Plan For Our Salvation:

Hearing the word of God (Romans 10:17; Acts 16:32).

Believing what is taught (Mark 16:16; Hebrews 11:6).

Repentance (Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30).

Confession (Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37).

Baptism (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; I Peter 3:21; Romans 6:3, 4).

Faithful Christian Living, after the above five steps (I Peter 2:11, 12; Rev. 2:10).

June 7, 2026

MORGAN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Schedule of Services:

Sunday

Bible Study – 9:30 AM

Worship – 10:30 AM

Evening Service - 6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study – 6:00 PM

Thursday

Ladies' Bible Study – 11:00 AM

Radio Program:

"Preparing For Eternity"

Sunday Mornings 8:00 AM, WCBK 102.3 FM

Website:

www.morganstreetchurchofchrist.org

Gospel Preacher – Bob Hawkins

- THE GREAT INVITATION

Randy Kea

- ***The Lord's invitation to obey His saving Gospel will never grow old as long as this world stands***

The Lord's Great Invitation: "*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light*" (Matt. 11:28-30).

In a very real sense, the whole Bible is an invitation from God. There are scattered through the whole Bible specific records of invitations and exhortations to come to the Lord and do His will (Josh. 24:14; Deut. 30:19; John 5:40; 7:37; Matt. 16:24; Rev. 3:20; 22:17). 1) There are invitations to come to Him, 2) Invitations to keep faithful to Him, and 3) invitations to come back to Him if you have fallen away.

- 1) God has always revealed His will to man (Deut. 29:29; Amos 3:7; 1 Cor 2:9-15; Eph 3:3-5).
- 2) His revelation to man with reference to what He requires has always been clear and understandable (Psalms 19:7; 119:105; Matt. 4:4; Eph. 5:17).
- 3) God has always held man accountable to His revealed will (John 12:48; Jude 14; Eccl. 12:13-14).
- 4) God has always condemned and brought judgment upon those who tamper with or seek to modify His revelation to man (Gal. 1:7; Deut. 4:2; 12:32; Prov. 30:5-6; Rev. 22:18-19; 2 Peter 3:15-16).

An increasing and disturbing neglect to the scriptural practice of always telling lost people how to become Christians and prodigal members of the Lord's church how to be restored either during or at the close of Gospel preaching seems to be growing among us.

I would like you to consider some biblical reasons why a Gospel preacher should always (at least briefly) set out conditions of how to become a Christian.

First of all, there may be non-Christians in the assembly of the saints that, as the preacher, you might not even know they are there. I've worked with larger congregations and small congregations and particularly in the larger congregations it would be impossible for the preacher to know whether there were people there who were not Christians. However, even in smaller congregations someone could be there that you had overlooked. I have always tried to find out if we had non-members in the assembly before I preached but it would be impossible to do that every time. Would you want to stand before God on the day of judgment and explain to the Lord why you did not set out the Gospel plan of salvation to someone who might never have another opportunity to hear it with clarity? Would you be able to say

that you were "free from the blood of all men?" Can you imagine Peter, Paul, Philip, or any other Gospel preacher failing to tell lost people how to be saved?

Second, almost in every congregation there are young people who year after year are becoming accountable to the Lord who would need to hear the plan of salvation repeated and emphasized. I've had teenagers respond and no one, not even their parents, knew they had made the decision to obey the Gospel. We do not know "the exact age of accountability." So these young people that hear us preach on a regular basis need to be exhorted and encouraged to make that most important decision.

Third, even Christians need to be reminded of the one true Gospel plan of salvation that saved them. Here is what Peter says about that: "*For if these things (Christians graces listed) be in you, and abound, they make you that you should neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was once purged (baptism) from his old sins*" (2 Peter 1:8-9). It would always be appropriate therefore to remind Christians of that great and happy day they were baptized and the essentiality and meaning of obeying that command.

Furthermore, a great deal of the information in the New Testament on water baptism is written to people who had already been baptized for the remission of sins. Paul wrote to the Roman brethren reminding them of their baptism (Rom 6:1-4). He did the same for the Colossians and Galatians (Col. 2:12; 3:1-4; Gal. 3:26-27). Peter wrote and told the Christians in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia that baptism saved them (1 Peter 3:18-22). In addition, Paul wrote to the Corinthians, Ephesians, and Hebrews about baptism (1 Cor. 6:9-11; 12:13; Eph. 5:25-26; Heb. 10:22-25). It is therefore always appropriate and scriptural to present the Gospel plan of salvation, even to Christians, to remind them of what they did to obey the Lord and why they did it. One cannot be a Gospel preacher without setting out the Gospel plan of salvation to the lost.

"*We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation)*" (2 Cor 6:1-2).