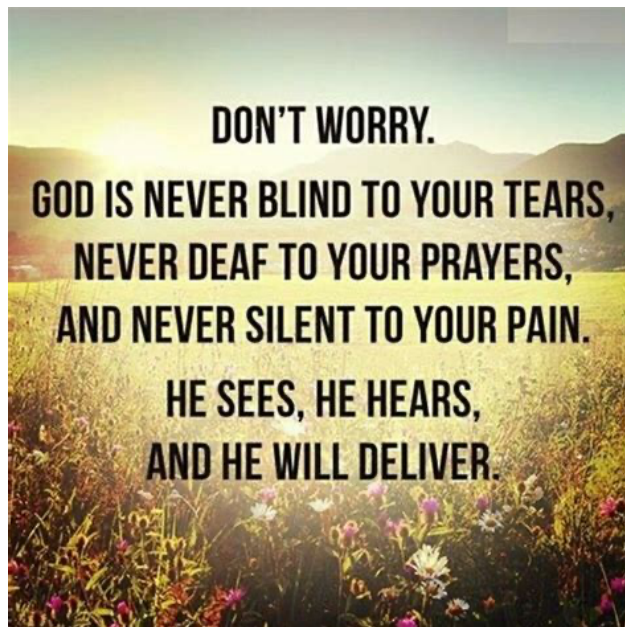
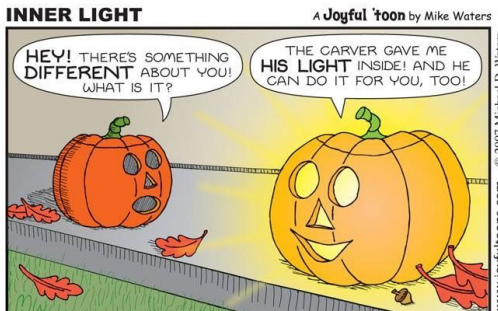


# SEPTEMBER 2024

## The Newsletter of Jones Chapel



*Thank You, God, for all Your answers to prayer.*



For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 CORINTHIANS 4:6 KJV

**SEPTEMBER 8-HOMECOMING**  
**10:30 Message, Music,**  
**Food, & Fellowship**  
**Drinks and desserts are all that's needed!**

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Romans 6:23

## From the Pastor's Desk

Winds of change come with September. Heat wanes into cooler, drier air. The days are getting shorter and we may start to feel the end of another year slipping away. We may look at the present times and long for “the good old days”. There is no doubt our country has seen better days. With the turmoil in almost every aspect of life, political, spiritual and families. We may look at the situations and wonder where God is, why is all this going on? *“Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight, which he hath made crooked? In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other; to the end that man should find nothing after him.”* Ecclesiastes 7:13-14

Times are changing, some for the worse, some we are not sure what way things are going. But as long as we put our faith and hope in Jesus we **know** He is willing and able to help us in our time of need. These times are no surprise to God, they are not beyond His ability to handle. We only need to *“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; And lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, And he shall direct thy paths.”* Proverbs 3:5-6

Embrace the change that is inevitably coming and come to the Lord for what He has in store for you in it. *“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.”* Jeremiah 29:11

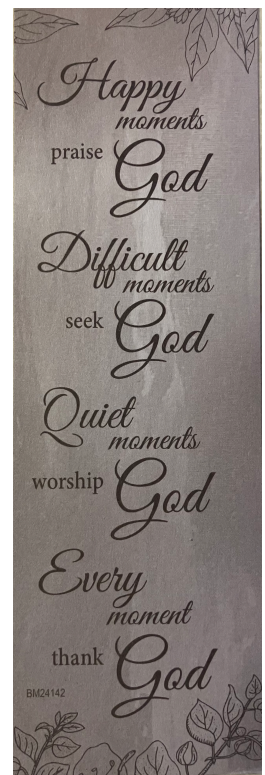
Please do not let the troubling news we see in this world give you any more pressure than you might be experiencing. Let God handle the world's problems and also let Him help you with yours. *“Do not say, “Why were the old days better than these?” For it is not wise to ask such questions.”* Ecclesiastes 7:10. Let God give you peace, comfort and joy at all times. God bless you, Pastor Bert

The total raised for the Relay for Life lunch was \$1080.00.

There is a way to save the price of a stamp and send a card to a visitor, sick member, a birthday, anniversary or “missed you” note by placing it in the Card Holder on the wall. Please check the holder for cards addressed to you. If you are going to visit someone, please check the Card Holder and if they have a card, please take it with you. I hope that we will use this to let each one know we care about them. No stamps required! By Vicki Nichols

Outside of the words of the Bible, the most famous definition of worship I've read comes from the pen of William Temple, who served as Archbishop of Canterbury during the difficult days of World War II. He wrote, “To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God.”<sup>3</sup>

This describes the worship in heaven, and it should be the goal of every worshipper on earth.



***As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.***  
**1 Peter 4:10**



**September Church Notes:**

- \* 3rd Qtr. Mission Offering-The Choctaw Children Fund
- \* Sunday: 5 PM Choir Practice in FLC.
- \* Sunday Eve. Worship starts at 6 PM in the Chapel.
- \* Wed. Night Bible Study 6 PM in the Chapel.
- \* Please remember to bring Blessing Box items as often as possible.
- \* Any church questions, Pastor Bert or Don Barker. Financial questions, Kim Farris.
- \* Any inspirational items you may have for the Newsletter, please give to Perry, or Leslye or Pastor Bert, or text to Leslye. Text me your favorite Bible Verse, also. Thank you to those who have sent items.
- \* Please feel free to call Pastor Bert if you need anything at all! 423-507-5760

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**Our church website:**

[jones-chapel.org](http://jones-chapel.org)

Items underlined are links for pages and online newsletter info. Click on the links when available.

<https://globalmethodist.org/> for more information about the Global Methodist Church.

**Devotion for September 2024:**

**Rest and Rescue**

*For thus said the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel, "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength." But you were unwilling,* Isaiah 30:15 ESV

The context of this verse is so important. The intended audience is Israel during one of their (many) rebellions against God. God offers a warning that they can only be saved by returning to him. With this in mind, let's look at the lesson here and what it's application today might look like. We cannot hope to be saved without turning back to God. Since our only hope of salvation is through a Savior this seems like the obvious application of this verse. 'Turn from your wicked ways and repent.'

But the interesting part of this verse to me is the part about rest. Resting in the Lord—this is not a passive rest where we fall into apathy or sit around waiting for God to do something.

No, this is a quiet confidence in Him.

When we are truly confident in God's ability to rescue us we find peace. Our strength comes in knowing that He's in control and capable of pulling us out of our darkest places. Yet, as the last line suggests, our pride often leads us to reject Him.

Are you letting your fears keep you from humble repentance? Are you letting your pride keep you from peace and rest in God?

Devotional by Noelle McLaughlin.

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Ladies, the Tea Party on October 5 from 11 am to 2 pm will be a time of fellowship, prayer, a message, and encouragement.

Please be in prayer for this. Invitations to come today! Any questions see Tammy or Leslye.

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***Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. Psalm 23:4***

# September

2024

3rd Qtr. Mission Offering-The  
Choctaw Children's Fund

## August

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## October

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27	28	29	30	31		

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
11 Worship 5 Choir Practice 6 Eve. Service	LABOR DAY		5 PM Homecoming mtg. 6 PM Bible Study			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
10:30 HOMECOMING			6 PM Bible Study			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
11 Worship 5 Choir Practice 6 Eve. Service			6 PM Bible Study			
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11 Worship 5 Choir Practice 6 Eve. Service	6 Wesleyanna Dinner		6 PM Bible Study			
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
11 Worship 5 Choir Practice 6 Eve. Service						
More Notes: There is Sunday School each Sunday at 10 am					FLC- Family Life Center	Prayer: O God, cleanse my heart!

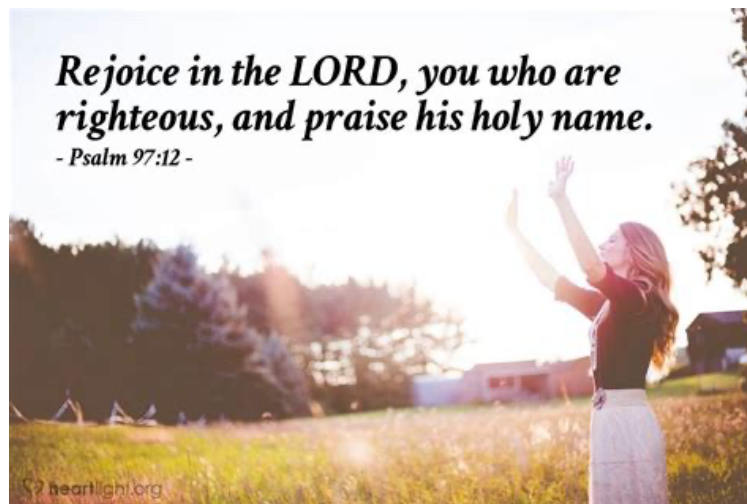
**American Cancer Society  
Relay for Life  
2005 to 2024**

Some of you may not have heard, but this is the last year that we will have a Jones Chapel Team at the Relay for Life unless someone would like to take over for me! We started our team in 2005 and our last team is 2024. In those 19 years we have raised over \$150,000.00 for the American Cancer Society. I want to thank everyone who worked so hard over the years to make the money that we made!! It certainly is a lot of money raised for our small church. Thank you again!

**Missions of 2024**

Holston Home for Children	1/15/24	425.00
	4/12/24	740.00
	07/2/24	<u>640.00</u>
		\$1805.00
American Cancer Society		75.00
Miracle Lake	1st qtr.	550.00
Frank Davis/A Helping Hand.	2nd qtr.	355.00
Total Missions from	1/2024 to 6/30/24	\$2785.00

Thank you,  
Vicki Nichols



***always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father; Ephesians 5:20 NASB***

Source: <https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/topics/Thank-You>

**Rachel Pearl Wilson Goins**, a resident of Cleveland, passed away Monday, March 4, 2024 (99 years old) at Avail Senior Living on 1400 NE Stuart Road, Cleveland TN 37312.

She was born on **June 8, 1924** in McMinn County, Tennessee and she was of the Baptist faith. She was the daughter of the late **Forrest Greely Wilson & Elizabeth "Annie" Jenkins Wilson**. Husband **Elliott "Haven" Goins**, son **Preston Haven Goins**, brothers **Wm Burch Wilson, Lester "Jack" Wilson, Lawrence Earl Wilson, Roy Lee Wilson, John Dellis Wilson, Ray "Bud" Wilson**, and sisters **Lucille Wilson Davis & Ruby Inez Wilson Longwith** preceded her in death.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank the amazing staff at Avail Senior Living who loved her and displayed compassionate and devoted care every day for almost two years.

A graveside service was held Friday, March 8, 2024 at Fort Hill Cemetery by Rev. Philip Caines. To order memorial trees in her memory, please visit Fike-Randolph & Son Funeral Home flower store.

**Published: Jun. 12, 2023 at 12:40 PM EDT Ms. Pearl Goins Born on June 8, 1924**

CLEVELAND, Tenn. (WSMV) - A 99-year-old had "the best birthday ever" thanks to her senior living community, a local car shop and Kentucky Fried Chicken.

Pearl Goins, of Cleveland, Tennessee, **turned 99 on June 8, 2023**. On her birthday, she hopped in a convertible car with the team at Don Ledford Automotive Center, who drove her around town. The Keith Street KFC cooked her favorite meal for her to bring back home to Avail Senior Living.

She ended the day in her Avail Senior Living community surrounded by friends and family.

"Happy 99th birthday to our beautiful Pearl," said Chris Beckstrand, owner and executive director of Avail Senior Living. "We treated her like the queen she is!"

**Ms. Pearl Goins pictured riding in a convertible on June 8, 2023.**



\* Pearl Goins brother  
(Lawrence Wilson)  
was married to  
MARY Lou Wilson.  
They joined JC  
on 11/16/1952 and  
her DOD was 7/13/2013,  
so Pearl Goins was  
her sister-in-law!  
To order Memorial  
tree(s) call #888-303-5240.  
Also, Power of Attorney  
is Viola Davis,  
phone # 423-504-1200.  
JDP  
8/26/2024

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