

For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle? 1 Cor. 14:8



Chapel Clarion

Nokesville Gospel Chapel



Christ and His Yoke

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“Come to Me all ye that labor 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 to your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”
(Matthew 11:28-30)

In this precious and well-known passage we have two points which are very distinct and yet intimately connected — Christ and His yoke. First, we have *coming to Christ* and its results. Secondly, taking His yoke and its results. “Come to Me and I will give you rest.” “Take My yoke and ye shall find rest.” These things, being distinct, should never be confounded, and being intimately connected, they should never be separated. To confound them is to dim the luster of divine grace; to separate them is to infringe upon the claims of divine holiness. Both these evils should be carefully guarded against.

Many there are who hold up before the eye of the “heavy laden” sinner, the yoke of Christ as something which he must “take on” before his burdened heart can taste of that blessed rest which Christ *gives* to “all” who simply “come to Him” just as they are. The passage before us does not teach this. It puts Christ first and His yoke afterwards. It does not hide Christ behind His yoke, but rather places Him, in all His attractive grace, before the heart as the One who can meet every need, remove every weight, hush every guilty fear, fill up every blank, satisfy every longing desire. There are no conditions proposed, no demands made, no barriers erected. The simple, touching, melting, subduing, inviting, winning word is “Come.” It is not “Go,” “Do,” “Give,” “Bring,” “Feel,” or “Realize.” No, it is, “Come.” And how are we to “Come?” Just as we are. To whom are we to “Come?” To Jesus. When are we to “Come?” Now.

Chapel Happenings

Meetings

Sunday - 9:15 a.m. Breaking of Bread 10:05 a.m. Refreshments
10:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:05 a.m. Family Bible Hour

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

Website – www.ngchapel.org

Speakers - “I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.” Psalm 119:162

Dec. 1 - Joe **Dec. 8** - Matt **Dec. 15** - Roger **Dec. 22** - Micah **Dec. 29** - Mark

Manassas Rehab Ministry

What a joy to be back visiting and singing with the residents last month after missing our time in October. It was wonderful to see some of our “oldies” but also exciting to see some new faces, including a new assistant activities director. We sorrow for some who are declining in health, but are thankful to know that they love the Lord. Please pray that we will be an encouragement to them as we sing about our Saviour, take some time to visit with them and as Mark brings the Word. We still have room if you’d like to join us on Saturday, December 14th at 2:00 p.m.

Youth Meeting and Bible Study

The young people will be continuing their study of *Parables* by John MacArthur on Friday, December 6th. On the next Friday, December 13th, there will be a Christmas party. Questions? Please contact Micah.

Ladies’ Bible Study and Prayer Time

In our ladies’ November Bible study we reflected on verses twelve and thirteen of Proverbs 31, considering how the virtuous woman exhibited two characteristics of the fruit of the spirit - goodness (“She does him good”), consistent goodness (“all the days of her life”), and joy (“works with her hands in delight” NASB) - and how that applies to us in our daily lives. In December (12/10 at 3 p.m.) we will be looking at Proverbs 31:14-16 and praying for each family at the chapel. We look forward to seeing you there!

Pray

Those with ongoing physical/medical problems:	College students
Bejoy & Sharmila, George & Deepa, Amelia,	Youth fellowship
Jerry & Era, Beulah, Isobel, Bob & Cathy,	Students/Teachers
Mr. Roy, Millie, George, Carol	Those seeking employment
Beulah - upcoming surgeries	Rehab (Manor) ministry
Van der Hoeks - Beth, the family and Beth’s	Missionaries
Mom	
Mrs. Mathai, George, Mercy and family	Our families
Young married couples and upcoming marriage	Unsaved friends and loved ones
Wisdom for those caring for elderly parents	Our elders
	Our nation and its leaders

Bible Quiz

1. What prophet ate a book and found it sweet?
2. According to Jeremiah, what kind of grape sets the children's teeth on edge?
3. What kind of herbs were the Israelites supposed to eat with the Passover meal?
4. Who posed a riddle about finding something sweet in a lion's carcass?
5. Who ate a book that was sweet at first and then was bitter?
6. According to Proverbs what kind of water is sweet?
7. What sweet substance was part of John the Baptist's diet?
8. What prophet made some poison stew edible by pouring meal into it?
9. According to Proverbs what kind of bread is sweet to a man?
10. What did Moses do to make the bitter waters of Marah drinkable?

Answers: 1. Ezekiel 2:9-3:3; 2. Jeremiah 31:29; 3. Exodus 12:8; 4. Judges 14:12-14; 5. Rev. 10:9-10;

6. Prov. 9:17; 7. Matt. 3:4; 8. 2 Kings 4:38-41; 9. Prov. 20:17; 10. Exodus 15:24-25

Score: 9-10 correct – Excellent; 7-8 correct – Good; 5-6 correct – fair; Less than five – You don't know much about the Bible; study more.

MISSIONARY PAGE

PRAY FOR PAUL HOWLAND

Dear Prayer Partners,

Thank you for your prayers for men I have met along my "Across America with Christ" trip this season. The daily SMS verse with a question have been well received, getting comments and more questions. We are walking together through Scripture. Like Jesus said, "Come follow Me." It's a great way to follow up people you have led to the Lord. Jesus didn't disciple men in a classroom but on the road every day.

Arriving in Longview, TX, it was good to visit LeTourneau University. I asked where the welcome center was and met the President. My son spent 5 years for his degree in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics, so it was homecoming for the old 1932 Dodge. The President suggested a "selfie" for their magazine. Another amazing meeting was at Walmart a few days later thanks to Manuel Alemán who recognized my car and invited me to their home. Manuel & Tracy are CMML missionaries in Spain. I had never met them, but it was an instant family of God. Their son is a student at LeTourneau. It was a blessing to have a Friday night film night for the chapel in their home. We worked together advertising a Saturday car show and meeting the people who came. I had a good talk with the County Sheriff and city administrator about Salvation. Sunday, I gave a message on Personal Salvation at the Brookwood Bible Chapel where my son attended 28 years ago. It was another blessed home coming. It's the first time I had to preach sitting down, like Rabbi Jesus! There were some good and some bad reactions to the free offer of salvation. Pray for those who have abandoned the Biblical Gospel for another. PTL, the leadership of Brookwood is strong in the faith!



The next weekend at the Valdosta, GA, New Life Bible Church was again a real joy. TWO car shows on Saturday and preaching about Personal Salvation on Sunday went well. I lost my voice talking to so many people on Saturday, but I got a public thank you for bringing Jesus to the Car show :-). There were two men who made decisions for Christ.

Last weekend in Tampa, FL, there was a huge Car show at the port on the Gulf of Mexico with estimated 700+ participants. The day began at 5:30 AM and ended at 4:00 PM. My voice was definitely gone by Sunday morning, so I appreciated a brother's message at the 54th St Chapel. Pray with me for the many people who stopped to talk by my car. There were many open hearts and a lot of Christians who got encouraged to speak up for Christ. Everyone received a business card with my website that tells the Good News and what we must do about it. I have a small table with a box of Scripture bookmarks, tracts and Gospels that end up in the hands of people at each show.

Thank you so much for your prayers and gifts sent to Christian Missions in Many Lands.
In Christ, Paul Howland