

The Herald

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HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY

The LORD delights in those who fear him,
who put their hope in his unfailing love.

Psalms 147:11

“Unity”



In the seventeenth chapter of the Gospel of John, Jesus prayed that we might be “one.” Today, the body of Christ seems to be so divided and in many cases people are condemned because of their convictions.

Now, the “unity” that Jesus prayed for does not mean that we are supposed to look alike or even talk alike. It does not even mean that our worship styles will be alike. The unity that Jesus prayed for is relative to the Holy Spirit. Christ prayed that we would be one in Him – one in the Spirit. This unity will lead to spiritual growth and purpose with regard to salvation. When we are saved we are to grow in grace and then lead others to the Lord so they too can be saved.

It is my opinion that if we would stop focusing on the things that we don’t agree on, and focus on the things that we agree on – things would be a lot better for us all.

We all agree that God the Father is Creator and the source of all our blessings. We all agree that Jesus is redeemer - He died for all our sins and rose for our salvation. We all agree that the Holy Spirit is sustainer, teacher and guide. Brothers and sisters, I think we all agree that it is God’s will that all would be saved.

These are just a few things that can help us become “one in the spirit.” Notice that the things we agree on are all related to salvation, which is God’s desire for humankind. It is my prayer that we would allow the Holy Spirit to make us one.”

~Dr. O. Wendell Davis

Church History Facts



The following are records from the pen of Mother Carrie Moore, Union Chapel’s first Clerk. She served in that position for over thirty years under the leadership of Rev. Boone and the early years of Rev. Lacy: (Rev. Lacy would have been the Pastor during this book keeping entry) 1960 - First Sunday in January 3. Collection was \$43.15. Paid Pastor - \$21.59. Church received \$19.56. January 10, 1960 collection was \$48.87. Pastor Received \$24.44. Church Received \$22.43. January 17, 1960 collection was \$26.75. Pastor Received \$13.43. Church Received \$13.32. January 24, 1960. Collection was \$42.74.

Pastor Received \$20.00. Church Received \$17.78. This information was transcribed from original documents written by Mother Carrie Moore. The documents were preserved and placed in a binder by Church Historian, Sister Maggie Reed who also served as a Church Clerk. During this month, we honor the legacy of both these Church Founders who preserved the history of our Church through their keeping of records. Mother Carrie Moore passed away on July 30, 2014 at the age of 94. Sister Maggie Reed passed away on January 21, 2021. We also applaud all members and Pastors during those years as they operated a Church and served the community on such limited funds. “To God Be the Glory!”

New Members

We welcome you, with the joy of the Lord, to the Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church family! It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened as we learn and grow together. We invite you to explore the ministries of the church and ask God to show you where He wants you to get connected. We are truly excited you are here.

Candy C. McGuire

Joshua D. Patton

Darryl Lamar McGuire

Elim Grace Robinson

We Celebrate You...



Congratulations to Brother Jimmy Blackburn, who recently retired from Huntsville City School System after 25 years of service.



Union Chapel recently received the Southwest Region Walter Cade, Jr. Attendance Trophy at the workshop held in Dallas, TX.

Congratulations to Raylon Alexander and Caleb Williams, who recently attained the rank of Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America, Troop 156. Raylon and Caleb are the 26th and 27th addition to the roll of Troop 156 Eagle Scouts. (Additional photos on page 4).

Raylon is the son of Reginald and Monica Alexander; Caleb is the son of Masao and Angela Williams.



Raylon Alexander



Caleb Williams



Congratulations to Dr. Toni Savage, who recently spoke on Capitol Hill for a second time; she previously spoke on Capitol Hill in 2017.

Dr. Savage is the wife of Minister Julian Savage and the mother of Sister Adrienne Savage.

Eagle Scout Court of Honor Photos



Union Chapel Institute of Biblical Studies



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BIBLICAL STUDIES (UCIBS)

FAITH, DISCIPLESHIP,

EQUIPPING

Matthew 28:18-20

FALL SEMESTER 2023

SELF-STUDY PROGRAM (SSP)

*“EXPLORING THE NEXT CHAPTER
OF OUR STORY...UCIBS...”*

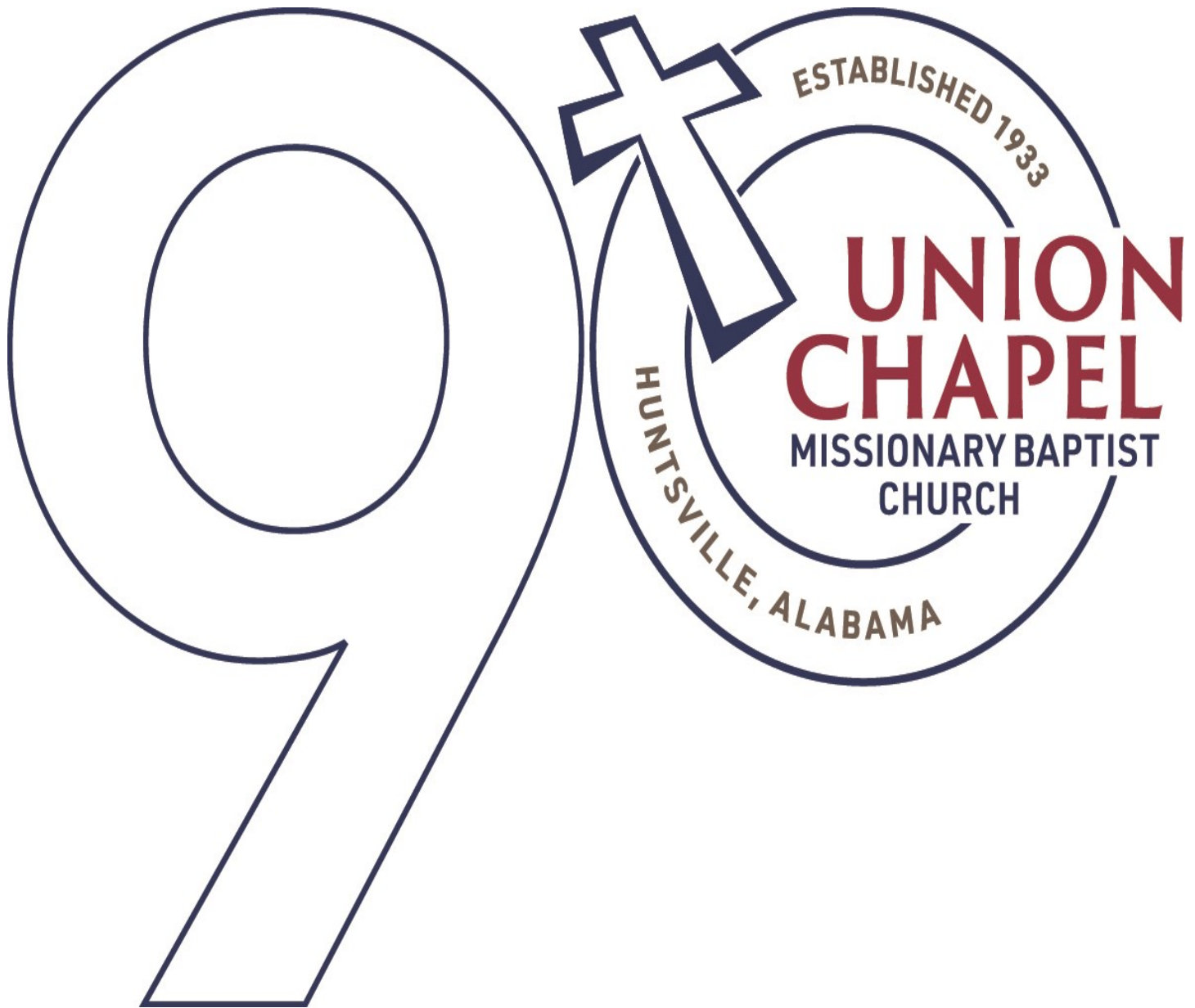
The NEW “*Training for Service-A Survey
of the Bible*” Program began on August 22,

2023. UCIBS wishes to provide the student or layperson with quality Bible based courses, and instruction. This study is an *independent, self-study (student at-home) course*, which will provide a comprehensive knowledge of the Bible’s background and content. As we celebrate our 25th year, and the 90th Church Anniversary, we are more than delighted to continue to serve God with renewed hope. For further information regarding our Ministry, contact Sis. Donna Robinson, Registrar at the Church office.

TOGETHER WE CAN LEARN AND KEEP GROWING!



90th Church Anniversary Highlights



90th Church Anniversary in Pictures

Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church recently its 90th Church Anniversary. The theme for this year's celebration was *"The Church Walking by Faith and Not by Sight,"* 2 Corinthians 5:7.

Several activities were planned to mark this momentous celebration.

July 30, 2023 Anniversary Kick-Off T-Shirt Day (combined worship): Members were asked to wear a favorite Union Chapel T-shirt:



August 11, 2023 Anniversary Banquet:



90th Church Anniversary Activities

Church Anniversary Banquet continued:



August 12, 2023 Community Service Project: Members served 200 hot lunches to the community:



90th Church Anniversary Activities

August 13, 2023 Elegant Hat Sunday: Ladies were asked to wear their favorite hat (crown):



90th Church Anniversary Activities

August 18, 2023 Basketball Tournament:



90th Church Anniversary Activities

August 19, 2023 "Cruise-In Car Show:"



90th Church Anniversary Activities

August 19, 2023 Church Picnic:



90th Church Anniversary Worship Service

August 20, 2023 Church Anniversary Worship Service, Pastor H. Gregory Haygood of the Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church, South Bend, Indiana guest speaker at the 9:00 a.m. service:



90th Church Anniversary Worship Service



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Historical Marker Dedication

August 24, 2023 Historical Marker Dedication: From *“the Grove”* to *“the Hollow”* to *“the Hill!”* The Historical Marker Dedication Ceremony was held in the parking lot of Park Plaza Office Complex located at 303 Williams Avenue, SW, Huntsville, AL in *“the Grove,”* corner of Lowe Avenue and Dr. Joseph E. Lowery Boulevard.



Historical Marker Dedication

