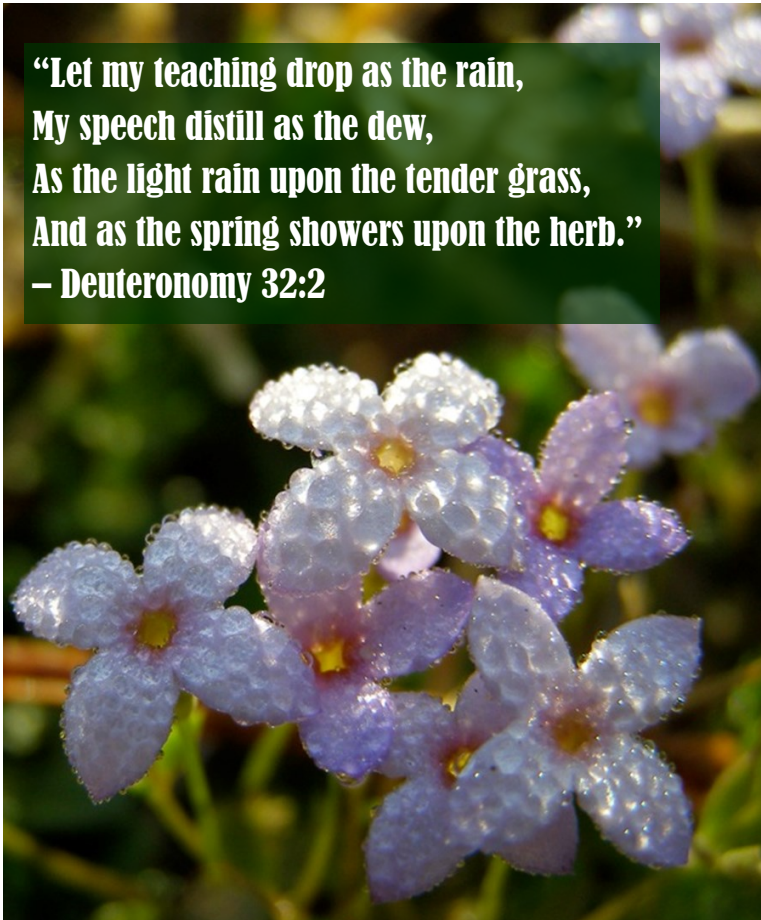


April 2018

“Let my teaching drop as the rain,
My speech distill as the dew,
As the light rain upon the tender grass,
And as the spring showers upon the herb.”
– Deuteronomy 32:2



April Memory Verse:

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ.

Colossians 2:8

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Birthdays April 2018



To protect from identity theft, birthdays are not listed in the on-line version of the Chapel Communique. Thank you for understanding!



This month **Golden Heirs** will meet **Friday, April 13th, at 6:30 pm** for their monthly fellowship meal. **Laura Rogers will be the guest speaker.** It should be a lot of fun! There will be lots of good food and fellowship so bring your favorite “potluck” dish!

If you need a ride, please call the office by Thursday.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 1st @ 10:40 am — Easter

April 8th @ 6:00 pm — Start Growth Group — Andy Stanley’s “David”

April 25th @ 6:30 pm — Start Men's Bible Study —Stepping Up

April 28th @ 1:00 pm — Ladies Outing to Rick Evans Grandview Prairie Conservation Education Center



God is ALL By Beth Endel

Anyone who has been involved with any church for a number of years uses a certain vernacular. Maybe we call it “Christianese”, or maybe we call the sentences and phrases “Christianisms”. No matter how we label it, most of us use it—probably more than we realize. Here’s a short list of things I hear quite often: “Let go and let God”; “Praise the Lord”; “Hallelujah”; “God bless you”; “Jesus loves you, and so do I”; “God is in control”; “God is good all the time, and all the time God is good”.

A couple of years ago, a friend was out of state taking care of her ailing mother. Because she was mostly confined to a small apartment with little interaction with the outside world, I tried to send an encouraging or funny email every couple of days. Mostly, I would tell about what was going on in my daily life. Sometimes I would include scripture and/or inspirational stories.

One day we were emailing back and forth about a praise concerning her mother. While attempting to type “God is good all the time”, my brain jumped ahead of my fingers. I looked at my computer screen and saw “God is all”. Immediately I reached for the backspace button to erase the word “all”. Wait a minute!! What was I doing?? God IS all!!

God is *good*
ALL *the time!*

I explained to my friend about my typing mishap—which really wasn’t a mishap. It pointed out a very profound truth and created a new “Christianism” for me to share—God is ALL.

God is **ALL** knowing—Psalm 139:1-6; Isaiah 55:8-9; Psalm 147:4-5; Isaiah 40:28-29; Revelation 1:8

God is **ALL** powerful—Nehemiah 9:6; John 1:3; Psalm 33:9; Isaiah 44:24

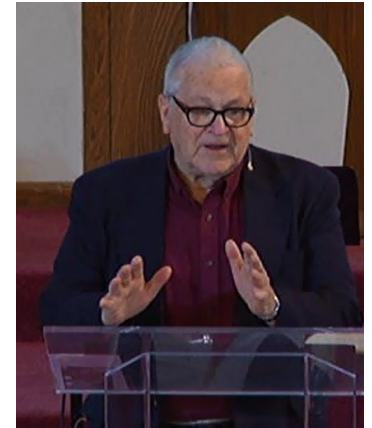
God is **ALL** we need—2 Peter 1:3; Philippians 4:19; Psalm 16:5-11 GNT; Matthew 6:33

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So Long, Delmas Jones!

Delmas Jones has been a long-time member of Marrable Hill Chapel (MHC). He was here at MHC when:

- A group of people in the Marrable Hill area got together in 1947 to start a church.
- A little building was moved to the spot that the current sanctuary resides so they could get together and worship together.
- Bro. Sam Shepperson was hired as pastor in 1949.
- He heard and understood the gospel and his need of Jesus. He asked Him to be his Savior.
- He helped build the Little Chapel building.
- He told the Lord that he would study for the gospel ministry and preach in 1953.
- In 1961, he married Marda.
- In 1963, he and Marda left for the mission field with a one year old son.
- We celebrated his wife’s departure to heaven four years ago.



On Sunday, March 25th (Palm Sunday), Delmas preached his last sermon at MHC before moving away to be near his family. A lunch reception was held afterwards to honor him and say goodbye.



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Ladies Louisiana Mission Trip

On January 28th, twelve very eager ladies found a seat in 3 cars to head a long way south to UMCOR's (United Methodist Committee On Relief) Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, LA. Of the twelve, four were from Marrable Hill Chapel — Patty Walker, Kay Johnston, Peggy Head, and Jean Tedford.



The Sager Brown Depot is the headquarters for UMCOR's Relief-Supply Operations. Each year, thousands of volunteers pay room and board at the facilities so they can

prepare about \$4 million in supplies for shipment from this location. These volunteers assemble hygiene and cleaning kits for relief work after catastrophes like floods and hurricanes. There is also a sewing room where volunteers create school bags or other projects.

In 2017, at the UMCOR Depot:

- 3,875 Volunteers
- 92,275 Volunteer hours
- 36,117 Meals served to volunteers
- 7,143 Food boxes to local citizens
- 48 Community housing projects

This year's annual trip focused primarily on flood buckets. The supply of flood buckets were wiped out from the floods and hurricanes in 2017. The ladies had to go through each donated bucket to make sure that it had all of the correct supplies—concentrated



cleaner, specific, correct sized gloves and 55 gallon trash bags. If anything was missing or not correct, they had to replace it. The volunteers replaced 1,900 of the 30,000 needed. Since the trip, other volunteers have finished the remaining 30,000 buckets.

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Superman By Natalie Butcher

I love reading different genres of books. Recently, I read a youth Christian fiction book — “Marvelous” by Travis Thrasher. In the book, the main female character, Marvella, went to the theater with a friend and watched the movie “Superman”. Watching the movie made her think about Jesus, so later that night she made an entry in her journal expressing her thoughts. Here is what she wrote:

SUPERMAN

What would we say if he came down now? Today? This very moment?

What hope would he offer? What promise would he give? How would he stand out in our world full of sounds and images and atrocities and wonder?

How would he get our attention?

How would he speak the truth and let the glory and the majesty rush over us like the waves of Niagara Falls?

How would we know he was the one and only true son?

How could we see in a world that lets us see everything and feel everything and be anything?

How would we know? And why would we care?

What brokenness inside us could be repaired?

What yearnings could finally be satisfied?

What noise could finally be stilled?

How would we know our one and only superhero if we saw him today, in the flesh?

And seeing him, and realizing his true identity, how could we accept it? How? How?

A Superman awaits. And not even Kryptonite will stop him.

I don't know how we would react if instead of Jesus, the Son of God, becoming flesh over 2,000 years ago, He came to earth today. Would we SEE Him for who He is? Would we follow Him?

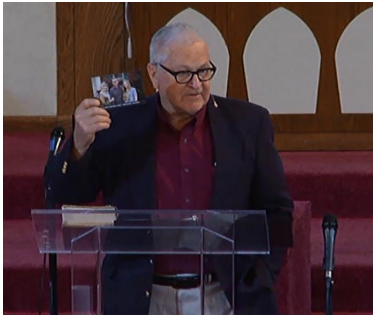
Our Superman did come to the earth. He lived a sinless life, willingly sacrificed Himself on the cross, was buried, and rose again! We have His Word, the Bible, to guide us. Do we spend time getting to know Him?

He is risen! He is risen indeed!

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Bro. Ben mentioned that Delmas is a man that honors God, honors church, and honors his family. Anyone that knows him knows that this is true.

While we are happy that he will get to spend time with his family, he will be greatly missed!



Ladies Night Out Kick-Off

Recently, Laura Rogers with the coercion (Um... Encouragement) of her mother, Phoebe Sellers, and Kay Johnston felt called to restart the monthly Marrable Hill Chapel Ladies Night Out (LNO) program. She has planned and coordinated ladies events for the rest of 2018. Most of the events will be held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and the food will be provided.



The first LNO event of 2018 was held on March 8th. Over 30 ladies were in attendance. It started with a time of food and fellowship. There was a variety of delicious soups and desserts. Yum! The guest speakers for the evening were Troy and Martha Barrios. Martha is the owner of “Martha’s on the Square” and Troy was the worship leader for Immanuel Baptist Church.



Troy started the evening by leading us ladies in a time of worship singing “How Great Is Our God”, “How Great Thou Art”, and “Good, Good Father”. It was beautiful hearing ladies (and one man) praise God in song.



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God is above **ALL**—Ephesians 4:6; Psalm 95:3 NKJV; Psalm 97:9

God is **ALL** loving—1 John 4:7-10; Psalm 136:26; Psalm 86:15; John 15:9-17; Romans 8:37-39

God is **ALL** around us—Psalm 139:7-12; Jeremiah 23:24; Job 34:21; Isaiah 43:2; Hebrews 4:13

God is **ALL** good—Psalm 136:1; Exodus 33:19; Psalm 84:11; Psalm 119:65-72; Matthew 7:11

**This year Easter is on
April Fools' Day.
Don't be fooled!
Jesus is alive!**

Be careful then how you live not as unwise, but as wise—making the most of every opportunity because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish but understand what the **LORD's will is.**

Ephesians 5:15 -17

the **WAY** of the **FOOL**
SEEMS RIGHT to him
BUT
A WISE MAN
Seeks Advice
PROV 12:15

FOOLS FIND NO
PLEASURE IN
UNDERSTANDING

BUT DELIGHT IN AIRING
THEIR OWN **OPINIONS.**

PROVERBS 18:2

Children Handbells Palm Sunday



On March 25th, the children of Marrable Hill Chapel started the Palm Sunday worship service with a Triumphal Entry waving palm branches. “Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to the King of Israel!”



After the entry, they played “Christ The Lord Is Risen Today” and “We Gather Together” on handbells. It was a lot of fun watching the kids perform — the giggles, joy, and concentration was contagious!



Thank you children and volunteers for your hard work!

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Later, Tony and Martha spoke on “Forgiveness”. They shared their personal experiences about forgiveness and used the example of Joseph’s betrayal by his brothers when they sold him into slavery.



How to forgive:

1. Talk to God first.
2. Take the first step.
3. Use your ears more than your mouth (Listen to others).
4. Fix the problem — don’t blame.
5. Reconciliation — sometimes agree to disagree

Next month’s event will be on a Saturday instead of a Thursday. It is scheduled for April 28th at 1:30 pm. We will be load into vans and drive to the Rick Evans Grandview Prairie Conservation Education Center in Columbus, Arkansas. This program will consist of a wagon tour of the area to see oceanic fossils, Caddo Indian discoveries, wildflowers and more! It will end with a Dutch oven supper. If you plan on attending, please sign-up at the back of the sanctuary or let the office know so food and transportation can be properly planned.



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Kay mentioned that in the 9 years that she has volunteered, this has been the hardest work that she has done. However, it was a blessing to be needed and able to pray for others all over the world.



It was said by all that this was the best year ever — the food was



great and everyone was friendly and nice.

Communique Articles

I, along with others, would love to hear what is going on in your life! Do you have a funny story that you would like to share? Has God shown you something? Has He put something on your heart that you would like to share? E-mail or talk to me, Natalie, about what He is doing in your life so we can share in the Communique.