

Church Announcements for APRIL 26, 2026

Church-wide

Children’s Church is available on the 1st , 2nd , and 4th **Sundays during our 9:00am** service for **children ages 5 through 12**. Parents, we kindly ask that you drop off your children in the church basement. Immediately following the service, please come directly to the basement for pick-up to ensure a smooth and safe dismissal. When signing your child in, please indicate on the sign-in sheet whether your child will be staying for Sunday School, so we can properly prepare and account for everyone.

New Members Orientation Classes WILL BE HELD TODAY

The Union Chapel Sunday School Department has classes for all Youth Ages. **Youth Sunday School Classes are being held each Sunday between the 9:00am and 12 noon Church Services in the church basement from 11:15am to 11:50am.** Classes being offered beginning with **Kindergarten to High School**. We encourage all parents and guardians to get your youth involved in the life changing experiences and benefits of Sunday School studies. All classes are being held in the basement (including Middle & High School). Please direct any questions to Deacon Jacoby Berry.

2026 Walter Cade, Jr. Southwest Laymen’s Workshop will be held **July 31-August 2** in Memphis, Tennessee. If you plan to attend, **Registration/Housing and Transportation forms are available at the Welcome Desk** in the foyer. The sign-up deadline is **June 1, 2026**. Transportation will be provided by the Church. For additional information, contact Deacon Edward White at ed528@bellsouth.net or Deacon Michael Taylor at mishat62@hotmail.com.

We Need Your Help to Reconnect

Union Chapel is updating its records to reconnect with former members who joined in 1989 (THE YEAR PASTOR DAVIS CAME TO UNION CHAPEL) or later and have not been active as of 2026

Electronic forms will be available on the church website and Facebook page, and printed copies will be located at the Welcome Center in the church lobby next Sunday. The information collected will help us compile an accurate list of **former members** of the Union Chapel family.

Please submit all forms **no later than May 30, 2026**. For questions, contact:

- Sister Monica Phipps-Stewart
- Sister Norma Reeves through the church office at 256.852.1150
- Email: Connect@unionchapel-hsv.org

Let’s come together and welcome our Special Guests Home for the 93rd Church Anniversary Celebration, August 14-16, 2026.

MINISTRY Meetings

The Youth Choir will meet for rehearsal on **Mondays, from 6:00pm-7:00pm in the choir room. All youth ages 7–18** are welcome to join as they develop their musical gifts. If you would like your child to participate, please contact Bro. Brandon Pair, Sis. Nikki Strickland or Min. Marquis for more information.

The second spring and summer series of **GriefShare** session will be held **Sunday, May 3, 2026 at 2:00 p.m., in Room 17**. The topics of discussion are “Is It Normal” and “Your Grief Journey.” GriefShare is designed to assist individuals with healing from the death of loved ones. For additional information, please contact Sister Monica Phipps Stewart or Sister Georgia S. Valrie.

Young adults ages 18 - 39 are invited to join the **Young Men’s and Women’s Ministries** for an evening of faith, fun, and fellowship at **Main Event on Monday, May 18th at 6:30 PM**. This gathering provides an opportunity to engage with others and strengthen community in enjoyable setting. **Those interested are asked to sign up at the Welcome Desk by Sunday, May 10th**. We look forward to seeing you there. If you have questions, please contact Sis. Nikki Strickland or Min. Marquis.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT FOR-

Union Chapel Academy (Grades K – 5th) and Child Development Center (CDC), (ages 6 weeks to 4 years), are seeking those who are enthusiastic about Christ-centered education with a heart to foster positive learning experiences, passionate about working with children and committed to helping all students.

We currently are seeking the following:

1. **UC Academy positions – Part-time Vice Principal, Teachers and Volunteers**
2. **UC CDC positions – Teachers, Substitutes Teachers and Volunteers**
3. The **Summer Camp Coordinator** will lead and guide our Teachers, Counselors and Jr. Counselors in creating a safe, nurturing fun-filled environment of daily activities inclusive of arts and craft, games, field trips and more.

If interested, please visit our **employment website** to complete an application and submittal process. Application for **SUMMER CAMP COORDINATOR** must be received no later than **Friday, May 08, 2026**

For more detailed information on each position, please visit the Employment Opportunities on the church’s webpage @ [Welcome to Union Chapel M.B. Huntsville, AL - Employment Opportunities](#)

How to apply: Visit the church’s website at: www.unionchapel-hsv/employment

Ways to Submit:

- Email to: HR@unionchapel-hsv.org
- Mailed to Union Chapel M. B. Church
 - ATTN: Human Resources
 - 315 Winchester Road Huntsville, AL 35811
- Apply in the Church Office on weekdays between the hours of 9:00am - 4:00pm

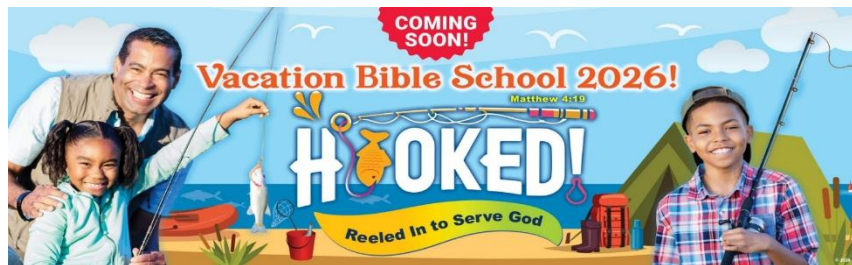
The Dr. Richard Showers Recreation Center, 4600 Blue Springs Rd, will host its Quarterly Lunch and Learn Health Series on **Thursday, May 14th from 11:00am–1:00pm**. This **free session** will focus on **Mental Health and Emotional Wellness** and will feature a panel of **licensed professionals**, community resources, and open discussion. Lunch will be provided, along with take home wellness materials. For more information, please contact Dr. Andrea Morris.

Union Chapel MB Church is working with Drake State Technical College to provide a **FREE** course through the ACCS Innovation Center, ***Flooring Installation Technician Training Course***. The course will provide comprehensive training designed to equip aspiring technicians with the necessary skills and competencies to excel in the flooring industry. The course will be held at UCMB Church. If you are interested in taking the class, please sign the Rooster at the Welcome desk. If there is enough interest in the course, the course will be offered. For more information about the contents of the course, please go to:

<https://innovation.accs.edu/courses/flooring-installation-technician/>

Motto: I'm Hooked!----- Theme Verse: *"Jesus called out to them, 'Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!'"* — Matthew 4:19 (NLT)

VACATION BILBE SCHOOL DATES-MONDAY, JUNE 1 - FRIDAY, JUNE 5; 6pm 8pm nightly



Cast Your Net for an Unforgettable VBS Experience-**MONDAY, JUNE 1 – FRIDAY, JUNE 5**
Prepare to embark on an inspiring summer adventure with the 2026 SSPB Vacation Bible School curriculum.

Union Chapel Summer Camp 2026 is now open!

Join us for a summer full of fun, learning, and engaging activities in a safe and caring environment.

 **Camp Dates:** June 1 – July 17, 2026

 **Time:** 7:00 AM – 5:30 PM

 **Location:** Union Chapel Christian Academy

**Ages- Prek4-5th grade


 **Cost:**

- Registration Fee: \$85.00 (due with completed application)
- Tuition: \$945.00 per child
- Payment Plan: Two payments of \$472.50
 - First payment due May 25, 2026
 - Final payment due June 30, 2026

 **Additional Information:**

*Parents provide daily lunch.

*Please contact [256-489-4728](tel:256-489-4728) for additional information.

 **How to Enroll:**

Complete the application and return it with the \$85 registration fee.

PRAYER LIST FOR HOSPITALIZED & NURSING/REHAB MEMBERSRS

Please keep our hospitalized members in your prayers.

- Deacon Michael Stevenson

- Sis. Valisha Johnson-POC-Carl Johnson
- Sis. Janice Fletcher

Please keep our members who are in Nursing Homes & Rehab facilities in your prayers

- *Sis. Eunice Williams*
- *Sis. Elizabeth Thomas*
- *Bro. Clyde "Bill" Thomas*
- *Bro. Charlie Fletcher*
- *Sis. Joann King McCrary*
- *Sis Gloria Wynne*
- *Sis. Vernina Taylor*
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PRAYER LIST for Condolences (Members)

Please remember to keep our bereaved families in your prayers

Mrs. Loretta Carey Askew, the mother of Bro. Napoleon Askew, passed on Monday, April 20, 2026 in Rome, GA. **The Funeral Service will be held at 1:00pm on Tuesday, April 28th at Thankful Baptist Church, 935 Spider Webb Dr, Rome, GA 30161. Public Viewing: Monday, April 27 from 11 am-5 pm at Wright Mortuary in Rome GA. Interment: Eastview Cemetery.**

*Condolences may be sent to
Mr. Napoleon Askew and Family*

Ms. Elizabeth Turner Robinson, the sister of Sis. Sadie Pleasure, passed on Sunday, April 12, 2026 in Huntsville, AL. Royal Funeral Home has been entrusted with the final arrangements. **NO OTHER DETAILS.**

*Condolences may be sent to:
Mrs. Sadie Pleasure and Family*

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut in members

Sis. Evonne Burns
Mother Patsy Pope
Sis. Jessie Booker, POC- Son: Vincent Timmons

Bro. James Pope
Sis. Terri Acklin-Lewis, POC-Dau
Sis. Cynthia Lockhart

Sis. Vivian Kelley
Bro. Emery Brooks
Mother Annie Woods, POC: Carol Ford
Sis. Minnie Wilson & Bro. Frank D. Wilson, POC:
Letitia Walker (daughter)
Sis. Barbara Hampton Steele, POC: Joyce Hampton
Deacon John Butler
Deacon Franklin Brandon
Bro. Howard Gaines, Sr
Sis. Melody Malone
Sis. Linda Turner Chirwa, POC: Evette Turner
Bro. Robert Key
Sis. Annie Bradley
Sis. Janice Fletcher
Bro. Anthony Brown
Deacon Eddie Thomas

Bro. Ontario "Terry" Crutcher, POC: Florence Love
Sis. Sandra McCall
Mother Ernestine Sullivan-NO VISITORS - Please
contact Daughter, Cindy Humphrey
Bro. Anthony Hawkins
Bro. Patrick Walker
Sis. Rutha Thomas, POC: Felicia Thomas (daughter)
Sis. Feleshia Perry
Mother Marie Kelley
Sis. Regina Clemons
Bro. Charley Cattage
Bro. Leroy Watkins
Bro. Brian Kennamer
Sis. Denise Carter
Sis. India Wade Sales

PRAYER LIST

- **Mother Hattie Burton**
- **Bro. Joe A. Palmer** (POC-Sis. Bernie Palmer)
- **Mr. Robert Douglas is in Rehab and his son is in Huntsville Hospital** (brother & nephew of Sis. Shirley Douglas)
- **Ms. Jennifer Jones** (daughter of Sis. Margurite Lyles)
- **Mr. Lorenza Poole, Jr** (father of Sis. Ruth Wilson)
- **Ms. Doris Carter** (mother of Sis. Jackie Jefferson)
- **Sis. Genell Pitts needs a kidney transplant** (wife of Bro. Richard Pitts)
- **Bro. David Langston Stewart**
- **Minister Lennon Martin**
- **Sis. Sheri Tims**
- **Bro. Archie Gurley**
- **Mr. Brad D. Jefferson** needs a kidney transplant (son of Bro. Archie & Sis. Debra Jefferson)
- **Mrs. Frankie Yarbrough** (wife of Bro. Alexander Gilmore)
- **Ms. Courtnie Perry** (niece of Sis. Sarah Eatman)
- **Bro. Harrison JohnsOn**
- **Bro. Ryland Landers** (son of Sis. Virdell Landers Mason and Bro. AL Mason)
- **Sis. Viola McWilliams, POC: Nikki Titang** (dau)
- **Sis. Kalexis Jordan Drake**

The Union Chapel Annual Graduation Recognition Program will be on Sunday, June 14, 2026, during the 9:00 AM in-person worship service.

All graduating church members are asked to complete a Graduation Information Survey using these links, [High School Graduate Survey](#), [Other than High School Graduate Survey](#) no later than Wednesday May 6, 2026. **NO paper submissions will be accepted.** Please contact the Education Assistance Ministry at ucceamactprep@gmail.com if you have any questions.



The poster features a dark blue background with a brick pattern. At the top, a graduation cap is shown. The main title is 'Union Chapel Graduate Recognition Sign up' in large, bold, white and light blue letters. Below the title, it says 'GRADUATES RECOGNITION REGISTRATION QR CODE'. A paragraph of text explains that graduates should scan the QR code to complete a form for recognition at the ceremony on June 14, 2026. Two QR codes are provided: one for 'High School' and one for 'Post Secondary'. At the bottom, a light blue banner contains the text 'COMPLETE OUR GRADUATION SURVEY HIGH SCHOOL and Post Secondary' and the email address 'ucceamactprep@gmail.com'.



I Shall Not Be Moved

1. *I shall not be, I shall not be moved.
I shall not be, I shall not be moved;*

Refrain:

*Like a tree planted by the water,
I shall not be moved, be moved.*

2. *When my cross is heavy, I shall not be moved,
When my cross is heavy, I shall not be moved;
[Refrain]*
3. *The church of God is marching, I shall not be moved,
The church of God is marching, I shall not be moved; [Refrain]*
4. *King Jesus is our Captain, I shall not be moved,
King Jesus is the Captain, I shall not be moved;
[Refrain]*
5. *Come on and join the army, I shall not be moved,
Come on and join the army, I shall not be moved; [Refrain]*
6. *Fighting sin and Satan, I shall not be moved,
Fighting sin and Satan, I shall not be moved;
[Refrain]*
7. *When my burden's heavy, I shall not be moved,
When my burden's heavy, I shall not be moved;
[Refrain]*
8. *Don't let the world deceive you, I shall not be moved,
Don't let the world deceive you, I shall not be moved; [Refrain]*
9. *If my friends forsake me, I shall not be moved,
If my friends forsake me, I shall not be moved;
[Refrain]*

ACTS CHAPTER 1
Revised Standard Version

The Promise of the Holy Spirit

1 In the first book, O The-oph'ilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ² until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ To them he presented himself alive after his passion by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. ⁴ And while staying with them he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me, ⁵ for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

The Ascension of Jesus

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samar'ia and to the end of the earth." ⁹ And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away; ¹³ and when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ All these with one accord devoted themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the brethren (the company of persons was in all about a hundred and twenty), and said, ¹⁶ "Brethren, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David, concerning Judas who was guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷ For he was numbered among us, and was allotted his share in this ministry. ¹⁸ (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness; and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹ And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their language Akel'dama, that is, Field of Blood.) ²⁰ For it is written in the book of Psalms,

'Let his habitation become desolate,
and let there be no one to live in it';

and

'His office let another take.'

²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsab'bas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthi'as. ²⁴ And they prayed and said, "Lord, who knowest the hearts of all men, show which one of these two thou hast chosen ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside, to go to his own place." ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthi'as; and he was enrolled with the eleven apostles.