# *Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church*

## *Church Announcements for September 20, 2026*

### Church-wide

***Newsletter*: *The Herald*. Please submit your information to 1newsletter24@gmail.com if you have questions/concerns. Deadline for article submission is September 20th . The next quarterly edition will be ready for pickup on Sunday, October 4th .** Continue to submit your articles monthly in a timely manner. We reserve the right not to include all articles in the newsletter.

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**Breast Cancer Awareness**. October is fastly approaching. It's the time of the year where we focus on people newly diagnosed with breast cancer and those who are living with the disease or who are celebrating another year cancer free. We want to celebrate, encourage and pray for all who have been affected by this disease. Once again, we here at the church will share a day of unity on **October 11, 2026**. Please find your favorite PINK outfit and wear it on the second Sunday. The entire church will go Pink. For support and prayer please contact Sister Diana Douglas of the Wellness Ministry or Sister Joyce Hampton of the Cancer Support Ministry,

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The **Union Chapel Christian Academy Foundation's Annual Day of Giving** will be held, during church service, on **October 11, 2026**. The funds raised at the Day of Giving supports the Union Chapel Christian Academy and its students through tuition assistance, scholarships, technology purchases, supplies and administrative support. This is the only fundraiser conducted by the foundation. The funds raised are essential to the function of the Academy, and your faithful support through the years has been helpful to affording our students a quality, Christian education. **We hope that you will continue to support the Academy on October 11, 2026.** You may make donations through check, written to Union Chapel Christian Academy Foundation or through our PayPal account, where credit/debit cards are accepted. Thank you.

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The **Missionary Ministry** is collecting the following items in support of the Prodigal Home for Women:

- Personal hygiene items
- House cleaning supplies
- Laundry detergent

Donations can be left in the collection boxes located in the fellowship hall. **Our collection drive will run until October 30TH .** The residents at the Prodigal Home for Women and the Missionary Ministry members appreciate your support. If you have questions, please contact Mother Wilma Cooke or Sis. Cassandra Pitts.

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**It is also important to check your voting status, even if you have been a regular voter. Voting Precincts and Districts may have changed.**
**Also, make sure your current address and photo identification are in order.**
**Your voting status may be verified from the following websites:**
**madisoncountyvotes.com or alabamavotes.gov**

**In addition, we are currently soliciting canvassing and phone bank volunteers to help increase voter participation in the coming elections. Training will be held on Thursday, September 24 @ 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

**MAKE A PLAN TO VOTE TODAY**

# THANKS FOR WORSHIPING WITH US!

*"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"*

## 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. Daryl Lockhart, Sis. Nikki Strickland, or Min. Marquis for more information.

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**Calling all young adults ages 18 to 39!** The **Young Men's and Young Women's Ministries** invite you to join them on **Monday, September 21st at 6:30 PM** for an evening of discipleship, fellowship, leadership, and purpose. **Young Men will meet in Room 12, and Young Women will meet in Room 18.** Whether you're in college, building your career, raising a family, or simply looking for a place to connect and grow, there's a place for you. For additional information contact Sis. Nikki Strickland or Min. Marquis.

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The **GriefShare** for the month of September will be held **Sunday, September 20TH** and **September 27, 2026, 2:00 p.m. in Room 17.** The topics of discussion will be "Is It Normal," and "Your Grief Journey." Interested persons are to sign-up on the Sign-Up Sheet at the Welcome Desk in the vestibule.

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**The Wellness Ministry** will come together for our monthly meeting on **Saturday, September 26th at 2:00PM**. Please mark your calendars and come out. **New members are welcome**. We are planning for the new year and we would love to see you. Contact Sister Diana Douglas for further information.

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**Union Chapel Church Business Directory**
**(MEMBERS ONLY)**

Do you own a business? Make sure your business is included in the Union Chapel Church Business Directory!

This is a wonderful opportunity to promote your products and services to our church family and community.

**To be included, simply scan the QR code or use the registration form at the welcome center to submit your business information.** Link: https://forms.gle/Fq1tHpGb7vuWK5ci9
For additional information, please contact Sisters Carol Bruno or Maude Ellison.

*"The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and the One who rescues me;*
*My God, my rock and strength in whom I trust and take refuge;*
*My shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower—my stronghold."*
***Psalms 18:2 AMP***

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## *HEALTH AWARENESS FOR SEPTEMBER*

***September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month***

Prostate cancer screening saves lives.

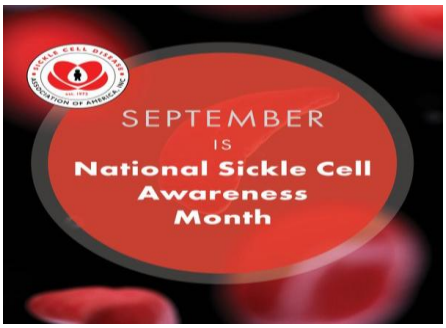
About 1 in 8 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime, but regular screening can catch it early so effective treatment options can be identified. Talk to a doctor to make an informed decision about whether to be screened for prostate cancer and donate to help us get the word out about the importance of screening.

**CAN I BE SCREENED FOR PROSTATE CANCER? Yes.** Screening may help detect cancer early, when the chances of treatment success are high. Screening starts with a simple blood test. Talk to your doctor about the risks and benefits of

*SEPTEMBER IS SICKLE CELL AWARENESS*

*Give Blood, Show Love*

Blood transfusions are one of the most critical treatments for sickle cell patients. Join the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc., in recognizing National Sickle Cell Awareness Month and help us make a difference for SCD patients by pledging to donate blood. It takes one hour, and you could save someone's life.




## PRAYER LIST FOR HOSPITALIZED & NURSING/REHAB MEMBERS

**Please keep our hospitalized members in your prayers**

### *NO KNOWN MEMBERS IN THE HOSPITAL*

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

- **Sis. Vernina Taylor**
- **Sis. Elizabeth Thomas**
- **Bro. Charlie Fletcher**
- **Sis. Joann King McCrary**
- **Sis Gloria Wynne**

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***PRAYER LIST for Condolences (Members )***

**Please remember to keep our bereaved families in your prayers**

***Miss Lexus Patton , the granddaughter of Sis. Angela Patton,*** *passed on Tuesday, September 15, 2026 in Huntsville, AL.* ***The Funeral Service will be held at 12:00 noon on Sunday, September 20th at St Andrew Primitive Baptist Church, 1393 Swancott Rd, Madison, AL 35756.*** *Visitation: Saturday, September 19 from 3pm – 7pm at Serenity Funeral Home, 2505 University Dr NW, Huntsville, AL 35816*

*Mrs. Angela J. and Mr. Robert E. Patton and Family*

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***Ms. Eula Sledge, the mother of Sisters Catherine and Ebony Sistrunk and the sister of Sis. Barbara M. McNichols,*** *passed on Wednesday, September 16, 2026 in Huntsville, AL.*
***The Funeral Service will be held at 1:00pm on Sunday, September 27th at Nelms Memorial Funeral Home, 2501 Carmichael Ave NW, Huntsville, AL 35816.***

*Condolences may be sent to:*

*Miss Catherine Sistrunk and Family*
*Miss Ebony N. Sistrunk and Family*
*Mrs. Barbara M. McNichols and Family*

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***Sis. Lielia La'Donia Morris, the sister of Bro. James K. Morris*** *passed in Huntsville, AL. Nelms Memorial Funeral Home has been entrusted with the final arrangements.* ***A memorial service will be announced later****.*

*Condolences may be sent to:*

*Mr. James K. Morris (Andrea) and Family*

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***Mr. Eural Wesley Madry, the husband of Sis. Yolanda Akins Madry,*** *passed on Saturday, September 5, 2026.* ***The Funeral Service was held on Thursday, September 17th at First Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1303 NW Evangel Dr. Huntsville, AL 35816. Interment****: Valhalla Memory Gardens. Royal Funeral Home handled the final arrangements.*

*Condolences may be sent to:*

*Mrs. Yolanda Akins Madry and Family*

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## Please continue to pray for our sick and shut in members

- **Sis. Gail Montgomery**
- **Sis. Yolanda Akins Madry**
- **Bro. Earl Wootson**
- **Bro. Harrison Johnson,** *POC Janet Harrison*
- **Bro. Al Mason,** *POC Virdell Mason*
- **Sis. Regina Clemons**
- **Sis. Ann Finley**
- **Bro. John Kilpatrick**
- **Sis. Eunice Williams**
- **Bro. Willie C. Smith**
- **Deacon Eddie Thomas**
- **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. Rutha Thomas**, *POC: Felicia Thomas (daughter)*
- **Sis. Sheri Tims**, *POC: Freddia Governor (sister)*
- **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 Turne*
- **Bro. Robert Key**
- **Sis. Annie Bradley**
- **Bro. Anthony Brown**
- **Bro. Ontario "Terry" Crutcher**, *POC: Florence Love*
- **Sis. Sandra McCall**
- **Mother Ernestine Sullivan**-POC*Cindy Humphrey (Daughter)* ***NO VISITORS BEFORE 12 NOON***
- **Bro. Anthony Hawkins**
- **Mother Marie Kelley**

## PRAYER LIST

- **Sister Helen Russell *is having a procedure on September 28TH at Huntsville Hospital***
- **Ms. Denise Carter** is hospitalized in Huntsville Hospital Room
- **The family of Mrs. Yolanda M. Kirksey*(wife of Minister Terrence Kirksey and daughter-in-law of Mother Esther Kirksey) who passed on Thursday, Sept 3rd the service will be at Union Chapel Saturday, Sept 19 at 11am***
- **Minister Lennon Martin**
- **Sis. Genell Pitts** needs a kidney transplant (wife of **Bro. Richard Pitts**)
- **Mr. Derrick Davis** (grandson of Sis. Catherine Davis)
- **Mrs. Linda Teague-Dorsey**
- **Mr. Larry and Mrs. Jennifer Clayton** (uncle & aunt of Bro. Anthony & Sis. Beverly Lee)
- **Mr. Anthony Guy** (son of Sis. Helen Russell )
- **Bro. Ryland Landers** (son of Sis. Virdell Landers Mason and Bro. AL Mason)
- **Bro. David Langston Stewart**
- **Sis. Carol Conner**
- **Mr. Mikel Johnson** (brother of Sis. Sandra Jenkins) is rehab in Mobile
- **Ms. Marcia Lacy; GoFundMe Link for Marcia Lacy- https://gofund.me/d4638dd60**
- **Mr. Freddie Moore** of Gulfport, MS (brother of Mother Dora Davis)
- **Mr. Robert Patton** (of Sis. Angela Patton's husband)
- **Mr. Robert Douglas** brother Sis. Shirley Douglas)
- **Ms. Jennifer Jones** (daughter of Sister Margurite Lyles)
- **Mrs. Princella Poole**, the stepmother of Sis. Ruth Wilson
- **Mrs. Frankie Yarbrough** (wife of Bro. Alexander Gilmore)
- **Ms. Courtnie Perry** (niece if Sis. Sarah Eatman)
- **Sis. Viola McWilliams**, POC: Nikki Titang (dau)
- **Sis. Kalexis Jordan Drake**
- **Bro. Archie Gurley**

# *Blessed Assurance*

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
   O, what a foretaste of glory divine!
   Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
   born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

**Refrain:**
**This is my story, this is my song,**
**praising my Savior all the day long;**
**this is my story, this is my song,**
**praising my Savior all the day long.**

**2.** Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
**[Refrain]**

**3**. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with His goodness, lost in His love.
**[Refrain]**