



Gloster Street
MESSENGER

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Around Gloster Street

ABOUT OUR GRADUATES...

We are nearing the second week of May, and summer is almost here. With school drawing to its close, it is time to recognize our graduates for 2026. This year, Gloster Street has nine high school graduates: **Amelia Clayton, Jackson Grubbs, Alyssa Hallmark, Cooper Jones, Jake Franklin Ramsey, Jackson Speed, Ethan Turner, Lanie White, and Lynden Williams.** We are thankful for each of these young people and their families. I'm looking forward to seeing the great things the future holds for them, and I pray that they will all put God first in everything they do.

LOOKING FORWARD...

Several major events are upcoming at Gloster Street. Please keep the following efforts in your prayers:

Campaign to Pineville, LA (**June 6-11**)

VBS at Gloster Street (**June 28-July 2**)

Maywood Christian Camp (**July 12-18**)

Other events are taking place on a weekly or monthly basis. For more information about these, please see either the back of this bulletin or our church website for more information.

WORKSHOP REPORT

Our *Church Leadership Workshop* was a great success. We had around one hundred individuals from seventeen different congregations represented. I'm especially thankful for the large number of folks who supported the workshop from Gloster Street. My prayer is that this will benefit the church in our area for years to come.

May God Bless You All!

Chad Ramsey

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Bible Class 10:10 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

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www.dayspringtv.com

Sunday at 8:00 a.m. on ABC WTVA
 (Comcast Channel 7)

Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on WTVA
 (Comcast Channel 6)

Monday – Friday at 6:00 a.m. & 6:30 a.m.
 and **Sunday at 8:00 a.m.**
 on **MY MS** (Comcast Channel 3)

Searching the Scriptures

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
SuperTalk 101.9 WFTA



AN APOSTLE AND HIS MISSION

By Chad Ramsey

Although Paul was not with Jesus during His earthly ministry, he was chosen by the Lord to be an apostle. Jesus described Paul's future work when He instructed Ananias to meet Paul in Damascus and teach the gospel to him. He told the reluctant Ananias: "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel" (Acts 9:15). Making a similar point to Paul, our Lord declared: "I will deliver you from the Jewish people, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive the forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me" (Acts 26:17-18). That Paul understood his role is obvious, for he did not consider himself "at all inferior to the most eminent apostles" (2 Corinthians 11:5).

Importantly, Paul recognized his primary apostolic work to be among the Gentiles (see Galatians 2:9). In fact, he considered himself to be "a prisoner of Jesus Christ for [the] Gentiles" (Ephesians 3:1). Because of this recognition, he went from place to place proclaiming "that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ through the gospel" (Ephesians 3:6). His message regarding the gospel's universal scope was greatly appreciated by some (Galatians 3:26-28). Others strongly resisted Paul's message. Not surprisingly, much of the opposition he encountered came from the Jews. Paul's experiences during his first missionary journey are typical of what he faced throughout his ministry. In Antioch of Pisidia, the Jews "were filled with envy; and contradicting and blaspheming, they opposed the things spoken by Paul" (Acts 13:45). In Iconium, "the multitude of the city was divided: part sided with the Jews, and part with the apostles" (Acts 14:4). And at Lystra, "Jews from Antioch and Iconium came there; and having persuaded the multitudes, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead" (Acts 14:19).

Despite the opposition Paul faced in the above-mentioned cities, congregations of believers were established in each location. Rather than avoiding the places where he was persecuted, Paul made an effort to encourage each church and revisited those locations before ending his first missionary effort (Acts 14:21-23). That he cared deeply for these newly founded congregations can be seen from his later desire to "visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing" (Acts 15:36). Paul's desire was realized during both of his subsequent missionary journeys (cf. Acts 16:1; 18:23).

— JUST FOR FUN —

Answer the following questions from Exodus 19:

1. When the children of Israel arrived at Mt. Sinai, how long had it been since they left Egypt?
2. In verse 4, what does God want Moses to remind them?
3. If they obeyed God, what would they be to God (5-6)?
4. In verse 8, how did the people reply?
5. What were the people to do before God came and spoke to them?
6. By what means was God going to come to them?
7. They were in the wilderness of Sinai close to Mt. Sinai. What were they not supposed to with reference to the mountain?
8. The people were at the bottom of the mountain when God came to the mountain. What did they see and hear?
9. Verses 14 and 22 talk about the people sanctifying themselves before coming before the Lord. What does the word 'sanctify' mean?
10. What is the lesson for us when we approach God in worship?

Last week's answers: 1. Jethro, 2. Priest of Midian, 3. Yes (but prior to the Old Law), 4. Zipporah, 5. Sent her back to Midian, 6. Rejoiced for God's goodness, 7. He was the only judge for the entire people, 8. Find able men who can judge most matters, 9. He listened and did what he suggested, 10. They handled most matters (small) and brought the hard cases to Moses.

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

- The regular meetings for **KFC and Club 5-6** will resume in August.
- Our **First Wednesday Fellowship Meal** will be held **Wednesday, May 6**, from 6:00-6:45 in the annex. The cost is \$5 for those over 12. The menu is pulled pork, baked beans, potato salad, slaw, desserts, and drinks.
- Our **Graduate Sunday** will be **Sunday, May 10**. High School seniors will be recognized immediately following our morning worship service.
- **TNT** will be hosted by the Pearces following evening services on **Sunday, May 10**.
- A **Congregational End-of-School Supper** will be held in the annex on **Sunday, May 17**, following evening services. You are asked to take sandwiches, sides, and ice cream.
- **UPCOMING:** The **Campaign to Pineville, Louisiana**, will be **June 6-11**; **Promotion Sunday** will be **June 7**, and our **VBS** will be held **June 28-July 2**. More details for the campaign and VBS may be found through our church app and calendar.
- Please contact the church office for assistance in signing up for our two apps—our **church app** and our **digital pictorial church directory**. You may submit updated information or photos to the office at any time.

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OUR RECORD

Worship AM 322 (113*)
Bible Classes.....280
Worship PM..... 192 (66*)
Wednesday AM/PM 259 (67*)
*Livestream views as of 5/6
Contribution.....\$22,060
Weekly Budget\$23,000

Church app



MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Please check bulletin boards for more info or scan QR codes (app on left for events; website calendar on right).

Website



May 6 (6-6:45).....First Wednesday Meal/Annex/\$5 over 12
May 10 (10:00-10:15)..... HS Senior Recognition
May 10 (7:00) TNT hosted by Pearces
May 17 (7:00) Congregational End-of-School Supper/Annex
LOOKING AHEAD:
June 6-11..... Campaign to Pineville, LA
June 7..... Promotion Sunday
June 28-July 2..... Vacation Bible School

SCAN WEBSITE QR CODE TO FILL OUT ONLINE VISITOR CARD.

— APPOINTMENTS —

MAY USHERS/SECURITY TEAM

A.J. Freeman, Spencer Johnson, Terry McCarthy, Josh Miles, Rusty Palmer

MAY CONTRIBUTION DUTY

George Heath, Aaron Spearman, Cody Poe, Cooper Burleson

MAY GREETERS

Terry and Cathy McCarthy

MAY FLOWERS

Suzanne Cervantes, Michelle Hill

May 10, 2026

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Reading..... Asher Bass
Scripture Mark 10:26-31
Song Director Chris Hallmark
Opening Prayer..... Monte Key
Communion Branyan Johnson
Contribution..... Greg Jones
Sermon..... Chad Ramsey
Closing Prayer Jimmy Bell

SUNDAY EVENING

Reading..... Beau Hill
Song Director Taylor Walden
Opening Prayer..... Jim McAuley
Sermon..... Chad Ramsey
Closing Prayer Ethan Benefield

SUNDAY NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Worship AM..... Donna Kellum, Marsha Kiste
Bible Study Marsha Jones, Jazmin Poe
Worship PM Olivia Jones, Tina Milam

MAY 13, 2026

WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Song Director Brian Archer
Speaker Rusty Palmer
Closing Prayer Samuel Trey Robertson

WEDNESDAY NURSERY ATTENDANT

Donna Castles

— PRAYER LIST —

GS MEMBERS: Thomas & Beth Aderholt, Dave Carpenter, Charlotte Lindley, Doris Mobley, Tim Nelson (Diversicare Room D9), Hannon Ray, James Simpson, Adam Wortham

GS LONG-TERM, MILITARY, AND CARE FACILITIES (Addresses on bulletin board):

- ◆ Parker Bell (military/deployed to Middle East)
- ◆ Madeline Lamon—North MS Regional Center
- ◆ Sonny Vinson—Mitchell Center

GS HOMEBOUND: Anthony & Arminda Washington, Mike Wilson, Robert Windham

GS FAMILY & FRIENDS: Mickey Bailey, Carlin Beard, Ken Burleson, Relda Castles, Mandi Cofer, Kayla Collins, Reah Cristadoro, Sherry Draper, Jan Edmunds, Lyndell Fikes, Craig Ford, Carson Fowler, Jennifer Groover, Angela Hayes, Dana Hitt, Maryann Hitt, Wayne Howell, Cecilia Hughes, Jared Kizer, Brenda Little, Jackie Little, Linda Maxwell, Carla McKinney, Phillip McMillian, Dena Miles, Richard Mitchell, Curt Mize, Gael & Carolyn Morris, Jo Putney, Glenn Ramsey, Wayne Ray, Joyce Robinson, Holly Stout, Nell Tucker, Bobby Wages, Daniel Washington, Sue Weeks, Riley Wicker, George Wills



2026 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Amelia Hall Clayton is the daughter of Rance and Stephanie Clayton and granddaughter of Donny and Patricia Hamblin, David and Polly Coltharp, and Reba and the late Dennis Clayton.

Amelia has been actively involved in the Archery Team, where she has achieved outstanding success. Her accomplishments include 1st Place in the NASP Open World Archery Championship, Top 3 in Archery Eastern Nationals, and being part of three Archery State Championship teams. She has also earned numerous honors such as the Lee County Tournament Female Highest Score, Most Consistent Award, Duck Commander Award, Iron Man Challenge Award, Top Shooter Award, and selection to the Archery All-Star Team twice. In addition, she excelled academically in Graphic Design I & II.

Amelia has numerous volunteer hours and has been awarded several scholarships, including the National Archery Top Shooter Scholarship, Archery All-Stars Scholarship, and the Tiger Merit ACT Scholarship.

Amelia plans to attend college and pursue a degree in elementary education.

Congratulations, Amelia, on your hard work and achievements!



Joshua Jackson Grubbs is the son of Susan Grubbs, brother to Jett Grubbs, and grandson of Brad and Hope Hilliard. He is graduating with honors from Tupelo Christian Preparatory School.

During his time in school, Jackson was actively involved in baseball, football, basketball, and powerlifting. He also demonstrated strong leadership in his faith by founding the “Men in Christ” devotional group for young men at his school.

Jackson’s favorite Bible verse is: “For we walk by faith, not by sight” (2 Corinthians 5:7).

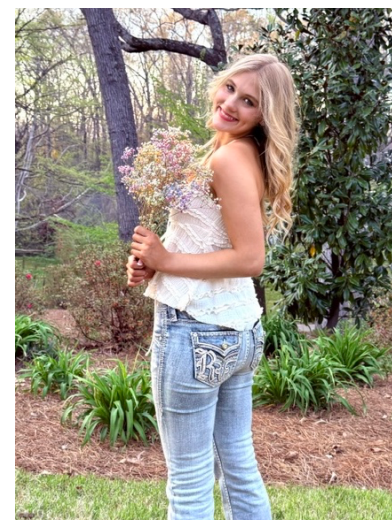
This fall, Jackson will attend Delta State University, where he plans to pursue a degree in aviation.

Congratulations, Jackson! We celebrate your accomplishments and pray for continued success and God’s guidance in your future.

Alyssa Maxine Hallmark is the daughter of Chris and Holly Hallmark, and the granddaughter of Dennis and Debbie Hallmark and Gary and Donnita Wilson. Alyssa will graduate from Tupelo Christian Preparatory School on May 16, 2026.

While at TCPS, Alyssa participated in the archery team, show choir, and is a member of the Beta Club. She has worked at Simply Sweet by Margarete and Reed’s Department Store. In her free time, Alyssa enjoys exercising and volunteering at the Link Centre and Gumtree Museum of Art. Aside from her family, Alyssa’s biggest fan is her English Cream Retriever, Riley.

Alyssa plans to attend Itawamba Community College in the fall and continue her education at Freed-Hardeman University from there, where she plans to study physical therapy.



Cooper William Jones is the son of Timothy and Brandi Jones and Javier and Beverly Tiscareno. He is the grandson of Timothy Jones Sr. and Cheryl Henson. Cooper will graduate from Tupelo High School on Friday, May 22, 2026.

Cooper has attended Tupelo schools since second grade and has been on the Honor Roll every year. He maintained a high school GPA of 3.7. He was a dedicated member of the Tupelo band program through ninth grade and has been an active member of Scouting America since second grade, achieving the rank of Eagle Scout in 2025. Cooper's Eagle Scout Project consisted of building and installing birdhouses for the Sanctuary Hospice House. In Scouting, Cooper completed National Youth Leadership Training, went on multiple camping trips, perfected survival skills and the art of outdoor cooking, volunteered multiple hours to community service, and completed the Powder Horn high adventure resource management training course. He is also a member of The Order of the Arrow, a National Honor Society of Scouting America. He has worked at Camp Yocona as an Outdoor Skills Assistant. Cooper enjoys going to church, spending time with his family, friends, and girlfriend Lynden, working out, and practicing Jiu Jitsu.



After graduation, Cooper will attend Itawamba Community College to study industrial maintenance technology. Cooper's family would like to thank the members of Gloster Street church of Christ for welcoming Cooper and giving him a place where he feels comfortable worshipping and growing in his relationship with Christ.



Jake Franklin Ramsey, son of Chad and Beverly Ramsey, will graduate with Distinguished Achievement from Tupelo Christian Preparatory School on May 16, 2026. He is the Salutatorian as well as Star Student of his class.

Jake Franklin is a member of the Beta Club, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta Mathematics Honor Society, and Vice-President of the Student Council. He has been involved with the Northeast Mississippi Youth Foundation as well as a volunteer with the Tupelo Luncheon Civitan Club and Regional Rehab.

Jake Franklin is a four-year letterman and captain of the TCPS football and powerlifting teams. He is a two-time State Champion Powerlifter. He was named First Team All-State in football by the Mississippi Association of Coaches in 2024 and 2025 and selected to play in this year's All-Star Classic. He was also selected as the TCPS Outstanding Male Player of the Year in 2025.

Jake Franklin will attend Freed-Hardeman University in the fall where he plans to major in Bible and business.

Jackson Smith Speed, son of Mitchell and Beverly Speed, will graduate with honors from Tupelo Christian Preparatory School on May 16, 2026.

Jackson is a member of the Beta Club, National Honor Society, and Mu Alpha Theta. He participated in varsity football.

Jackson has received multiple awards, including the Elijah Award and the highest Old Testament Award. He enjoys duck hunting and being outdoors.

Jackson will be attending Itawamba Community College in the fall, then transferring to Mississippi State University where he will major in engineering.



Ethan Richard Turner, son of Jonathan Turner and Melissa Brown, grandson of Ricky and Celeste Turner, and great-grandson of Katrinka Bootsman, will graduate from Saltillo High School on Friday, May 22, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. Having been a Saltillo Tiger since kindergarten, Ethan has grown up alongside many lifelong friends and made lasting memories along the way.

Over the years, Ethan has explored a variety of interests. He was a member of the archery team during junior high and his freshman year, and he has developed a strong passion for music, especially playing electric and bass guitar. He recently had the opportunity to share his musical talents at a TupeloCore-sponsored event that helped raise awareness for hunger in our community. He is also involved in Tansu martial arts, where he has earned a green belt.

Ethan has been an active participant in his faith community, enjoying time spent at EYC youth conferences and Maywood Christian Camp, experiences that have been especially meaningful to him. Outside of school, Ethan works at McAllister's in Tupelo.

Ethan plans to attend Itawamba Community College this fall to complete his core coursework for an associate's degree before transferring to Mississippi State University.



Lanie Grace White is the daughter of Kevin and Melanie White and the granddaughter of Eddie and Sandra White and Paul and Brenda Sisk. She will graduate from Saltillo High School on May 22, 2026.

Lanie has stayed active in both work and service throughout high school. She teaches gymnastics at Flip Flop Gymnastics, works at Peak Fitness in Tupelo, helps her father at the Saltillo parks, and babysits on weekends. She is also involved in the Anchor Club, Make-a-Wish, REACH, Diamond Girls, Beta Club, and the American Red Cross Club, where she serves on the planning committee. She participated in dance for four years, serving as captain in the 8th grade, and later competed on the swim team during her junior and senior years.

Lanie plans to attend Freed-Hardeman University to pursue a degree in nursing. She is thankful for the support of her family, church, and community.

Lynden Rae Williams is the daughter of Bradley and Melanie Williams and granddaughter of Donny and Patricia Hamblin and Terry and Connie Williams.

Lynden will graduate with Distinguished Academic Honors on May 22. She completed over 150 hours of community service and has been actively involved in REACH, Make-a-Wish, American Red Cross, Anchor Club, Beta Club, and served as Clothes Closet Co-President. Lynden competed on the Golf Team, earning honors such as two-time Region 1-6A Golf Team Champions, two-time Class 6A Golf Team State Runner-up, Golf Region 1-6A Tournament Team, Golf All-Region 1-6A, Hillandale Invitational Girls Individual All-Tournament Team, and the Golf Above and Beyond Award. In addition, she played on the Volleyball and Softball teams in her 9th–11th grade years. She currently works part-time at Tiger Treats.

Lynden has been awarded numerous scholarships, including the Presidential Scholarship at NEMCC, Tri-State Educational Foundation Scholarship, Modern Woodmen Scholarship, Golf Athletic Scholarship, Next Chapter Scholarship, and the Franks Foundation Endowment.

Lynden plans to attend Northeast Mississippi Community College to further her golf career and major in radiology. Congratulations, Lynden, on your hard work and achievements!



Congratulations to our 2026 college graduates!

John R. McAuley

John McAuley graduates cum laude with a degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Business from the University of Mississippi on May 9, 2026. He earned a leadership endorsement from the Trent Lott Leadership Institute and is a Chancellor's Honor Roll student. He served as Vice Chair of the University Judicial Council for student government and as Deputy Chief Justice of the Interfraternity Council Judicial Board. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha Order fraternity and served on their Philanthropy Committee. He has been accepted to the University of Mississippi Master of Business Administration program. He is the son of Kim and Jim McAuley.

Millie Charlene Speed

Millie Charlene Speed, daughter of Beverly and Mitchell Speed, will graduate from the University of Mississippi on May 8, 2026, with a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction. She plans to join the work force in the state of Tennessee.

