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## Finding Forgiveness in Psalm 51

By Rev. Kerry Foote

One of the most powerful ways we can pray is by using the Psalms—Scripture that gives voice to both our deepest pain and our highest praise. Psalm 51 is a prime example. It's a raw, heartfelt prayer of repentance written by David after a serious moral failure. In it, we find a model for how we can come to God in honesty, receive His forgiveness, and be renewed.

### A Prayer of Repentance

*"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions."*  
— Psalm 51:1

David begins by throwing himself on the mercy of God—not appealing to his own worth, but to God's *unfailing love*. That's a powerful reminder: no matter how badly we've messed up, God is rich in mercy and willing to forgive. But forgiveness begins with repentance—a heart that turns away from sin and back toward God.

### God Sees—and Still Loves

*"Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight..."* — Psalm 51:4

All sin is ultimately against God, even when it affects others. David acknowledges God's justice—He is right to judge us. But the miracle of grace is that the Judge also offers cleansing.

### Cleansed and Made New

*"Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow."* — Psalm 51:7

No stain is too deep for God's mercy. Hyssop was used for ritual purification in the Old Testament, and David uses it here as a symbol of being spiritually washed clean. God's forgiveness restores us—not only before Him, but within ourselves.

### Restored to Worship and Witness

*"Open my lips, Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise."* — Psalm 51:15

Sin silences our worship. But when we are forgiven, praise returns. David promises to not only worship, but to teach others God's ways—turning his failure into testimony. Forgiveness doesn't just free us from guilt; it reawakens our calling.

### Praying for Our City

*"May it please you to prosper Zion, to build up the walls of Jerusalem."* — Psalm 51:18

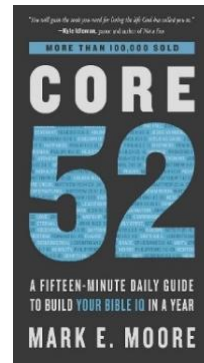
David ends by praying for his city. It's a reminder that personal revival leads to communal impact. As God works in us, we can pray boldly for His blessing over our homes, neighborhoods, and cities.

Psalm 51 reminds us that no one is too far gone, no sin too great, and no heart too broken for God to restore. Let it lead you—like it did David—back to the arms of mercy.

### Giving Through Our Website

Go to <https://chairesmethodist.church> and just click the blue GIVE button and you will be taken to the church REALM site. The church secretary can help you set up your account.

### Core52: A Fifteen-Minute Daily Guide to Build Your Bible IQ in a Year



Think of *Core52* as a fast-pass to biblical literacy, calling for 15 minutes a day, 5 days a week, for 1 year. Just a reminder: If you are keeping up with doing the Core 52 reading with the congregation, this week we are on **Chapter 24 (Election and Predestination)** and the key memorization scripture is: **Matthew 22:14.**



### Choir Summer Break

The Church Choir will be taking a little break for the summer for the months of June – August. We will be replacing the choir with a praise team. If you are interested in helping lead the congregation during worship, please see Gerry Nielson to be put on a Sunday rotation. Now is the time to join if you would like to be a part of our new blended worship service. For more info, contact: Gerry Nielson(321-652-5361) [gerryniel@gmail.com](mailto:gerryniel@gmail.com)



We don't know if you have heard...but we are now going live with our Sunday morning service on Facebook. If you cannot make the service in person, you can join our Facebook family. Give us a like and follow us on Facebook to get up to date information about upcoming events and you can access live sermons on Sunday or access our archive.

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### Pastor Visit

If you would like a visit from our pastor, please do not hesitate to call either Susan Capelouto (Administrative Assistant) or Rev. Kerry Foote so that a visit can be arranged.

Mission Project for June

For the month of June, our mission emphasis will be the Residing Hope Children’s home in Madison, Florida. During every Sunday worship service, we will be giving reports and watching videos that inform us about the vital ministry that is happening there. At the end of the month and on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, church members will have the opportunity to give a special offering that will go to the Madison Youth Ranch.



Stay Tuned for Special Mission and Outreach



For the month of July, we will have a special sermon series called: “Christmas in July”. With this sermon series we, members of our congregation, will have the opportunity to participate in a global mission called: “Soles 4 Souls”.

Soles 4 Souls

People living in poverty want a better life, but many lack opportunity.

At S4S, they turn unwanted shoes and clothing into opportunity, by keeping them from going to waste and putting them to good use – providing relief, creating jobs and empowering people to break the cycle of poverty by helping people in low-income countries escape poverty through entrepreneurship.



When they equip entrepreneurs in low-income countries with donated shoes and clothing to sell, they create sustainable small businesses that lift families out of poverty and drive community growth.

Christmas Pot Luck



**Date:** July 6, 2025  
**Place:** Multi-Purpose Building  
**Time:** 11:30 a.m.  
**Cost:** FREE  
**Theme:** Christmas Meal  
Since our worship theme for the month of July is “Christmas in July, it only makes sense to kick off our July sermon series with a Christmas Pot-Luck. We will also have Christmas gifts to be handed out at this Pot-Luck. So, bring yourself and bring some friends.

SUNSHINE STATE  
GOOD NEWS TOUR  
WITH WILL GRAHAM

Beginning this October, Will Graham will share the Good News of Jesus Christ through a four-city tour in Florida. This evangelistic outreach depends on believers like you, and they want to join you and Chaires Methodist Church in proclaiming the Gospel message. Will you pray for the upcoming Sunshine State Good News Tour?

**Mark your calendar for this event: October 26, 2025 (Tallahassee)...more information to come.**



Church Council Meeting TODAY!

**Place:** Sunday School Room

**Time:** 11:30 a.m.



Members

Marion Lollie / Debbie Pahl / Margaret Boyette / Jean Lombardi / Mary Alice Linzy / Pete Peters / David Matthews

Friends and Family

Family of Kenith Faircloth (Tony Minichiello) / Praise for Lisa Reeves (Mary Alice Linzy) / Families of Air Indie Flight (Unknown) / Wounded lawmakers in Minnesota (Unknown) / Lauren Keahey (Maggie Hall) / Pastor Stuart Owens (Terry Hatcher) / Lucia Lightfoot / David & Charlotte McPherson, Sandy & Keith Pugh (Carol S.) /Kasey Connell (Maggie Hall) / Family of Samuel Kersey / Family of Ken Fairchild (Tony Minichiello) / Family of Dennis Rackley (Brother of Diane Matthews) /Roger & Lisa (Laura) / Thomas Stumbaugh / My nephew, Duane (Frances Chaires / Family of Spencer Walker (Jean Lombardi) / A person who is awaiting tumor diagnosis & a daughter diagnosed with cancer this week / Ronnie Wagner (Penny Petrandis) / The family of Brad Kunkel, Ron Lance, Eddie Doerr (Sheila Novak) / Veronica and Kids (Tiffany Foote)

Radical Hospitality Team

Yet another ministry that is on the horizon...we just keep growing and filling in needs...AMEN. A handful of church members have come forward with the desire to form a hospitality team that would be responsible for preparation for special events and be available to be on a food train. The food train is simply people volunteering to cook a meal for a day for those who are sick or coming home from the hospital. If you are interested in serving on this team...please reach out to either Kerry Foote or Susan Capelouto.



<u>June Birthdays</u>	<u>June Anniversaries</u>
Verlie LaBounty 1	Mike & Amber Stallings 17
Marion Lollie 1	Bob & Donna Corson 21
Michael Linzy 4	David & Diane Matthews 29
Bob Corson 14	
Paula Davies 16	
Lucia Lightfoot 16	
Russell Clark 16	
Nancy Hardison 19	
Mike Stallard 20	
Casy Friel 25	
Donna Wheeler 26	
Ed Fannin 29	

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