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Lord, Help Me See

This Sunday we begin a new sermon series called *The Questions Jesus Asked*. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus asked questions that were simple on the surface but deeply searching when they settled into the heart.

Our first question comes from Mark 10, where Jesus asks blind Bartimaeus, “What do you want me to do for you?”

At first, that may seem like an obvious question. Bartimaeus is blind. He is sitting by the road. He is crying out for mercy. Most of us would probably think, “Jesus, I don’t want to be disrespectful, but this one seems pretty clear.”

But Jesus was not asking because He lacked information. He was inviting Bartimaeus to name his deepest need, speak it honestly, and trust Jesus with it.

That same invitation comes to us.

Many of us know how to name what annoys us. We can name the traffic, the bills, the schedule, the aches and pains, and the people who test our sanctification before breakfast. But Jesus asks something deeper: “What do you want Me to do in you?”

Maybe the prayer we need this week is simple: “Lord, help me see.”

Help me see You more clearly. Help me see myself more honestly. Help me see others with more compassion. Help me see where pride, fear, bitterness, exhaustion, or distraction has kept me from following You faithfully.

As we prepare for worship this Sunday, here are a few simple ways to carry this question with you through the week:

Each morning, pray one honest prayer: “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me.” Name one place where you need His mercy, strength, patience, or healing.

Sometime during the day, ask yourself, “What do I truly need Jesus to do in me?” Not just what you want Him to fix around you, but what you need Him to shape within you.

Look for one person who may feel overlooked. Send a note, make a phone call, offer encouragement, say a prayer, or simply listen. Sometimes opened eyes begin with noticing someone we might have otherwise passed by.

Before the week ends, take one faithful step. Apologize. Forgive. Invite. Help. Serve. Rest. Pray. Let go of something you have been carrying too long.

The good news is that Jesus still hears honest cries. He still stops for the overlooked. He still opens eyes, changes hearts, and calls people to follow Him.

So this week, may we come before Jesus honestly and humbly. Not with perfect words. Not with polished prayers. Just with open hearts.

Lord, we want to see.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Kerry

Pastor Visit

If you or someone you know is going through a difficult time, facing illness, feeling lonely, or simply in need of prayer and encouragement, please do not hesitate to reach out. Pastor Kerry would be glad to visit, pray with you, and offer support. To arrange a pastor visit, please contact Susan Capelouto (Administrative Assistant) or Rev. Kerry Foote.



Have you heard the good news? Chaires Methodist Church is now going live on Facebook every Sunday morning! We would love to see you in worship in person, but if you are traveling, homebound, under the weather, or simply unable to make it to church that week, you can still join us online and be part of our worshipping family.

Tune in for the Sunday message, sing along from home, share the service with a friend, and stay connected to what God is doing in our church community.

Please give our Facebook page a like and follow so you can receive updates about upcoming events, special announcements, live worship services, and sermon archives you can watch or share anytime. Whether you join us in the pew or online, there is a place for you at Chaires Methodist Church.

<https://www.facebook.com/p/Chaires-Methodist-Church-61561720372576/>





Volunteers are still needed to help lead worship. Singers are encouraged to meet in the choir room Sundays at 9:30 a.m. to review the hymns.



Church Members

Frances Chaires / Franklin Chaires / Melissa / Casey Friel / Clark family (Kerry Foote) / Ken Hatcher / Gordon Wheeler / Kerry Foote / Mary Alice Linzy / Diane and David Matthews

Friends and Family

Raymond Turner (Maggie Hall) / Johnny Sadler (Teresa Hatcher) / Trey and Tate Cayson (Janet Cayson) / Suttyn Culverson (Francis Chaires) / Kaila Hardee (Unknown) / Carol Boyd (Pat Alley)



MercyMe Live 2026 Concert Sign-Up

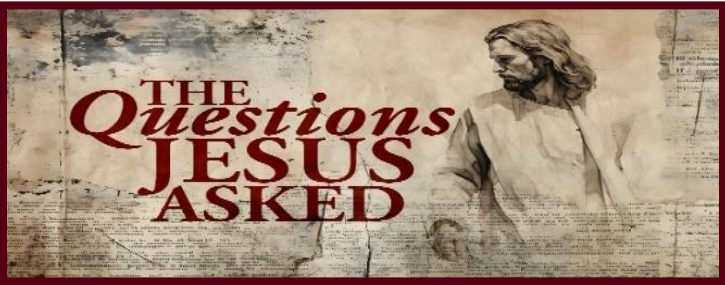


Join us for MercyMe Live 2026 with Jeremy Camp, Tim Timmons, and Sam Wesley on October 10, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at Donald L. Tucker Civic Center. Chaires Methodist Church is gathering names to reserve tickets together. Sign up at the back table of the multi-purpose building. Tickets are \$55.00 per person, and payment is due when tickets are delivered.

Administrative Council Meeting

Make plans to join us for our next Administrative Council meeting on July 12, 2026, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This will be an important and encouraging time to hear updates from Annual Conference in Orlando, reflect on what we learned from our mid-year town hall evaluation, and help shape plans for the rest of the year.

Your voice, ideas, and presence matter as we look ahead together. Food and drinks will be provided.



This July and August, we begin a new sermon series, **The Questions Jesus Asked**. Together, we will explore how Jesus’ questions open hearts, challenge assumptions, and still shape our faith today. Join us at **Chaires Methodist Church**—and invite a friend, neighbor, or family member to come with you.

Small Group Bible Study:
The Questions Jesus Asked

Come be part of something meaningful this summer! You are invited to join our weekly Small Group Bible Study as we dig deeper into **The Questions Jesus Asked** and discover how His words still speak to our lives today.

Beginning July 9th, you can choose the time that works best for you each Thursday:
Thursday Morning at 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School Room of the Multi-Purpose Building
Start the day with faith, fellowship, conversation, and a light breakfast.
Thursday Evening at 7:00 p.m.
At the church parsonage
Begin with a light dinner, compliments of Pastor Kerry Foote, then enjoy meaningful discussion in the living room.

Bring your Bible, bring your questions, and bring a friend. Whether you are new to Bible study or have been studying Scripture for years, there is a place for you as we listen together for Jesus’ voice in the questions He asks.

Renee Grubb is offering to attach a Chaires Methodist Church patch to a shirt or cap of your choice free. Make sure the item has been washed to prevent fading first. Thank you, Renee, for this special gift.

July Birthdays	July Anniversaries
Holland, Marty 7	Gordon & Donna Wheeler 19
Cayson, Trey 8	Milan & Sheila Novak 24
Messer, Victoria 17	
Amanda Novak 17	
Dampier, Don 26	

