

# BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

FIRMLY | I AM | FINDING ROOTS

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*IN CHRIST*



"I AM THE VINE; YOU ARE THE BRANCHES. IF YOU REMAIN IN ME AND I IN YOU, YOU WILL BEAR MUCH FRUIT; APART FROM ME YOU CAN DO NOTHING." | JOHN 15:5

Sunday, September 17, 2023



WESLEY CHAPEL  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1109 South State Street | Little Rock, AR 72202



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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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**Elder Ronnie Miller-Yow, Senior Pastor**

[pastoryow@gmail.com](mailto:pastoryow@gmail.com)

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### PROGRAM STAFF

**Ms. Songhai Nelson**

Church Secretary

[wesleychapellr@gmail.com](mailto:wesleychapellr@gmail.com)

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### MUSIC STAFF

**San'Darius Gillespie**  
Music Director

**Christopher Rowland**  
Audio Visual Technician

**Cory Witherspoon**  
Bass Player

**Rev. Carol Blow**  
Pianist

**Christian Eggerson**  
Organist

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### CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE | (501) 374-7893

Request Prayer | Report Illness or Hospitalization | Report The Death of a Loved One  
Schedule Baby Dedication | Request Pastoral Visit

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### WEEKLY WORSHIP AND STUDY

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 AM Online Worship  
10:45 AM In-Person Worship

#### Sunday School

9:30 AM Adult Sunday School  
Zoom: (681) 999-0194  
and enter access code: 704980#

#### Men's Sunday School

Where: <https://bluejeans.com/972375751> ([map](#))

Join BlueJeans Meeting:

[bluejeans.com/831493370](https://bluejeans.com/831493370) (ID: 831493370)

Join BlueJeans by Phone: (US) +1 866-226-4650  
(ID: 831493370)

Join using SIP: [831493370@bjn.vc](mailto:831493370@bjn.vc)

[Joining instructions](#)

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#### Church Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday  
12 PM - 5 PM

#### Wesley Chapel UMC

1109 S. State Street  
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[www.wesleychapellr.org](http://www.wesleychapellr.org)

#### Social Media Handles



@wesleychapellr  
#WesleyChapelLr  
#WCLR

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, September 17, 2023 | 8:00 AM

Back To Church Sunday

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PRELUDE.....*Abide With Me, UMH #700*

WELCOME.....Sister Keshira Watson

JOYS AND CONCERNS/OPENING PRAYER.....Brother Jay Means

HYMN OF PRAISE..... *I Am Thine, O Lord, UMH #419*

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS .....Elder Ronnie Miller-Yow

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS.....Brother Jay Means

*Offertory Song*.....*Be Thou My Vision, UMH #451*

The Dedication of the Gifts: The Doxology.....*Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow*

SCRIPTURE READING..... John 15:1-8..... Sister Keshira Watson

HYMN OF PREPARATION..... *Precious Lord, Take My Hand, UMH #474*

THE WORD OF GOD.....Elder Ronnie Miller-Yow

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP.....

Invitational Song.....

SENDING FORTH..... Elder Ronnie Miller-Yow

POSTLUDE..... *Let the Church Say Amen*

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# JOHN 15:1-8 | CEB

**15** “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vineyard keeper. **2** He removes any of my branches that don’t produce fruit, and he trims any branch that produces fruit so that it will produce even more fruit. **3** You are already trimmed because of the word I have spoken to you. **4** Remain in me, and I will remain in you. A branch can’t produce fruit by itself, but must remain in the vine. Likewise, you can’t produce fruit unless you remain in me. **5** I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, then you will produce much fruit. Without me, you can’t do anything. **6** If you don’t remain in me, you will be like a branch that is thrown out and dries up. Those branches are gathered up, thrown into a fire, and burned. **7** If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. **8** My Father is glorified when you produce much fruit and in this way prove that you are my disciples.

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, September 17, 2023 | 10:45 In-Person

Back To Church Sunday

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PRELUDE.....**Savior**  
*(by Tye Tribett) Instrumentalist*

WELCOME.....**Sister Renisha Ward**

JOYS AND CONCERNS | OPENING PRAYER.....**Elder Ronnie Miller-Yow**

OPENING PRAISE AND WORSHIP..... **Revelation 19:1**  
*(by Maverick City ft. Naomi Rain) Performed by Wesley Chapel Praise Team*

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS .....**Sister Renisha Ward**

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS.....**Minister Arlo Washington**

    Offertory Song..... **You're All I Need**  
*(by Bishop Hezekiah Walker) Wesley Chapel Praise Team*

    The Dedication of the Gifts: The Doxology..... **Thank You Lord**

SCRIPTURE READING..... **John 15:1-8**.....**Brother Christopher Rowland**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC..... **By Myself**  
*(by Deon Kipping) Performed by Wesley Chapel Praise Team*

THE WORD OF GOD.....**Elder Ronnie Miller-Yow**

\*INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP..... **Just Come**  
*(by Joe Pace & The Colorado Mass Choir) Performed by Wesley Chapel Praise Team*

SENDING FORTH..... **Elder Ronnie Miller-Yow**

POSTLUDE..... **Let the Church Say Amen**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

## GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER

## WAYS TO GIVE:

In order to make giving to Wesley Chapel as convenient as possible, we have developed a variety of ways:

- **EASYTITHE**

Easy Tithe allows you to deduct directly from your bank account once or recurring donation to the General Budget (regular tithes and offerings), Capital, Scholarship or Other—(please specify) using your Visa or MasterCard, or American Express Card.

[Online Giving](#)

- **CASHAPP**

Cash App provides you mobile giving access at [\\$WesleyChapelLR](#). On the second line please place your first & last name, and which area you would like to give.

- **MAIL-IN GIVING**

If you are looking to mail in your gifts this week, please send them to:

**Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church**

**Attention: Finance Committee**

1109 South State Street

Little Rock, AR 72202

## WHAT YOUR TITHES SUPPORT

Your tithes and offerings ensure that the church is able to continue to reach out to our community, and around the world, with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Your gifts empower Wesley Chapel UMC to fulfill God's vision of transforming lives by Christian Discipleship.

## Wesley Chapel Connect Card

Click on the Connect Card below to fill in your information

# Connect

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your age Group:**  
 Under 20    20s    30s    40s    50+

**Children:**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Today's Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Visit:  1st    2nd    3rd

**How did you hear about us?**  
 Website    Facebook/Twitter    Friend  
**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

So in Christ we, though many,  
form one body, and each member  
belongs to all the others. -ROM. 12:5

**FRONT**

# What's next?

**Start**

- I dedicated my life to Christ for the first time.
- I re-dedicated my life to Christ.

**Next Step**

- I'm interested in getting baptized.
- I'm interested in joining a small group.
- I would like to talk to a pastor.

**Get Involved**

- I want to become a member.
- I want to volunteer for a ministry.
- I would like to be contacted by a Leader.

**Prayer Requests/Questions:**

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**BACK**

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS  
& CELEBRATIONS  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
WESLEY CHAPEL MEMBERS!



*Cassandra Spenser-Cole 4  
Mia McNeal 11  
Sandra Brown 15  
Karen Duvall 15  
Brandee Lewis 15  
Mamie Watkins 15  
Byron Wesson 15  
Robert Perry 17  
John Fluker 25  
Taylor McClendon 25  
Whitney Owens 26  
Tiffany O'Guinn 29*

*Happy Birthday to all members celebrating a birthday or anniversary this month. Wishing you celebratory blessings all month!*

*If you don't see your name for birthdays listed, just email us at [wesleychapellr@gmail.com](mailto:wesleychapellr@gmail.com) so we can update our records and we'll add you to the next bulletin.*



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6am

# PRAYER

Call

MONDAY - FRIDAY

(681) 999-0194

ACCESS CODE | 704980

*...Pray without ceasing / Thessalonians 5:17*

## 6AM MORNING PRAYER CALL

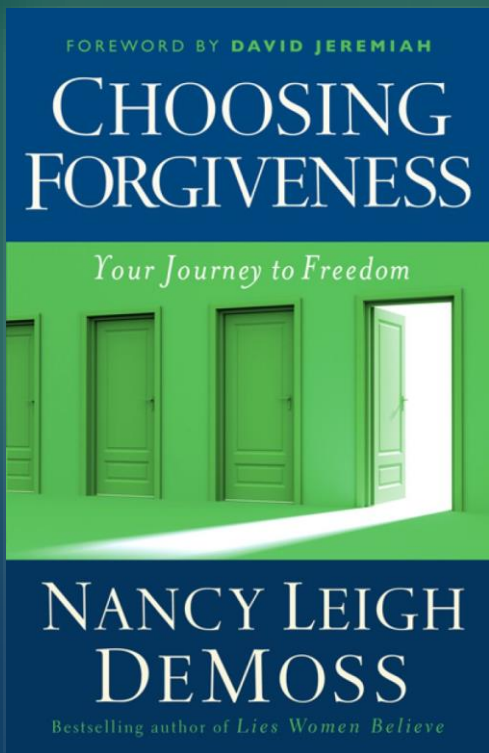
*Weekly Prayer Calendar*

DAY	SCRIPTURE	LEADERS
Mon. Sept. 18, 2023	Colossians 2:6-7	Mother Laverne Paige
Tue. Sept 19, 2023	Psalms 1:2-3	Sister Renisha Ward
Wed., Sept 20, 2023	John 15:7	Brother Stanley Giles
Thurs., Sept 21, 2023	Hebrews 10:24-25	Rev. Ronnie Miller-Yow
Fri., Sept 22, 2023	Matthew 5:16	Min. Arlo Washington

# Wednesdays

## IN THE WORD

### NEW BIBLE STUDY



**Begins Wednesday,  
September 6, 2023**

12 PM | Zoom: 864 8511 6447  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86485116447>

6 PM | In The Fellowship Hall  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86485116447>

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SEPTEMBER

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WORSHIP  
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& 10:45 AM

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WESLEY CHAPEL UMC  
CELEBRATES

*Years Of Ministry*

GIVING OVER  
170 YEARS OF MINISTRY

GIVE AN  
ANNIVERSARY  
GIFT TODAY | **\$170+**

IN HONOR OF OUR CHURCH'S RICH LEGACY,  
WE ARE ASKING OUR MEMBERS TO GIVE IN  
ANNIVERSARY GIFT OF \$170 AND ABOVE.

THIS CAN BE EASILY DONE THROUGH A ONE  
TIME GIFT OR A MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION TO  
COMPLETE A TOTAL OF \$170 OR MORE.

IN MEMO: 170<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY GIFT

*Thank You  
for your continued support!*

ANNIVERSARY GIVING CAMPAIGN ENDS  
ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023



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# HONORING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> FIRST Family



## *Rev. Ronnie Miller-Yow Family* Endowment Scholarship Fund

*In honor of Pastor and Mrs. Ronnie Miller-Yow and Family, an Endowment Scholarship has been set up at the Arkansas Methodist Foundation.*

*If you would like to contribute to this Endowment, please indicate on your envelope that your contribution is for the Miller-Yow scholarship.*

*Thank you in advance for your support.*



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## LETTER OF COMPROMISED INFORMATION

Dear Members of Wesley Chapel UMC,

We value your membership and respect the privacy of your information, which is why as a precautionary measure, we are writing to let you know about the incident regarding the compromise of the Wesley Chapel Membership Directory.

**PLEASE NOTE: This Information Did Not Include Any Financial Information Connected To Our Members.**

On February 8, 2023, the Wesley Chapel Membership information had been compromised through an email. We are taking immediate steps to notify you of what to look out for as a scammer will try to reach out to you requesting funds on behalf of Rev. Ronnie Miller-Yow and/or potentially others.

Wesley Chapel has conducted a thorough review of the potentially affected information and has found that the compromised information includes names, addresses, and phone numbers. As of yet, we have also found that some members have received text messages and potentially emails requesting money on behalf of Rev. Ronnie Miller-Yow. Please note the example below:

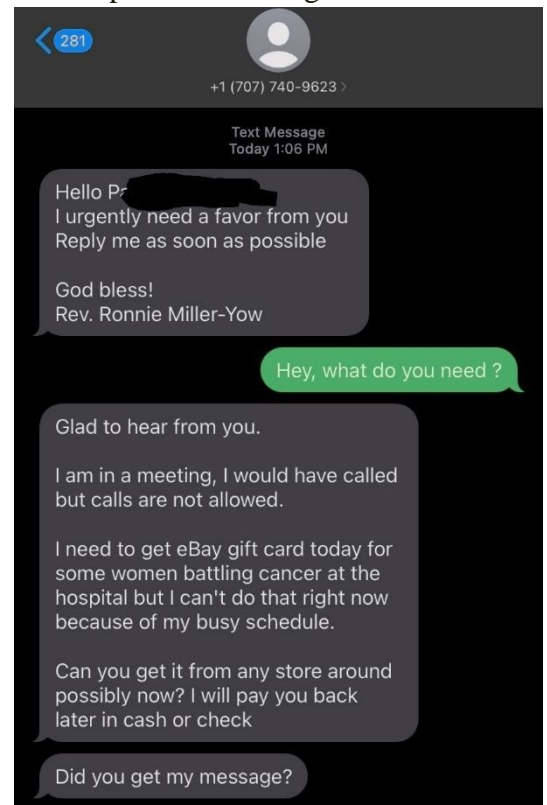
Wesley Chapel UMC values your privacy and deeply regret that this incident has occurred. We are working closely to monitor any suspicious activity and will notify you if there are any significant developments.

**Here is how you can protect yourself.** We are advising all members to be on the lookout for suspicious emails or/and text messages from **(707)740-9623** and emails from [mailoff98@gmail.com](mailto:mailoff98@gmail.com) claiming to be someone you know. These messages contain requests for money. Block them and report them if you can.

For further information and assistance, please contact the church secretary at 501-374-7893 Ext. 0882.

Peace & Blessings,

**Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church**  
Elder Ronnie Miller Yow, Senior Pastor





# Children & Youth ACTIVITIES

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**Every Sunday @ 9:00 AM**  
**In the Parsonage**



**CHILDREN'S BIBLE STUDY**  
**WEDNESDAY'S @ 6:00 PM**  
**In the Parsonage**





Greetings Wesley Chapel UMC Members & Guest,

It's that time where we are updating our records. We are looking to update addresses, phone numbers, birthdays, anniversaries and more.

To do this you can simply send an email to [wesleychapellr@gmail.com](mailto:wesleychapellr@gmail.com) or give us a call the church office at (501) 374-7893 Monday-Thursday | 11AM-5PM.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**SIGN-UP WITH WESLEY REMIND TODAY!**  
You can download the Remind Application by **clicking the icon below:**



**Android**



**IOS**

Once you have downloaded the *Remind* App, you will be able to connect with Wesley Chapel to receive special church notifications.

### To Connect:

Text: **@cgf229k to 81010** or Click the link below:

<https://www.remind.com/join/cgf229k>

### For more information or assistance, please contact:

Minister Renisha Ward, (601) 502-7412

Sis. Sharon Sanders, (559) 313-4131

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# PRAYER REQUESTS

*Sister Mary Baynes*  
*Sister Eloise Booth*  
*Sister Berdina Nickerson*  
*Sister Joanna Ward*  
*Dr. Cortez Henderson for speedy recovery*  
*Sister Merle Smith*  
*Brother Frank Sanchez*  
*Brother Travis Walton*  
*Sister Ruby Fleming*

*Brother Robert & Sister Sharon Richardson Collins*  
*Brother Leon Adams*  
*Brother Ernest & Sister Juanita Peoples*  
*Brother Phillip Yow*  
*Sister Edna Ricks*  
*Sister Debra Elerson*  
*Brother Alan Jackson, Sr. (brother of Sister Sandra Brown)*  
*Sister Eugenia Moses*

*Prayers for the United Methodist Church*  
*Prayers for ReConnect | Re-Imagine Reset Campaign*

## **PRAYERS OF SYMPATHY**

*Brother Frank Bateman in the passing of his mother, Sister Pauline Novak*  
*The Love Family in the passing of Brother Howard Love, Sr.*  
*Sister Monica Fountain (Daughter of Sister Donna Taylor) in the passing of her father,*  
*Brother Victor Montgomery*  
*Sister Mamie Watkins, in the passing of her aunt*  
*Brother Aristede Watkins, in the passing of his sister*