



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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Please Join Us
Sunday, February 22nd for:

“Friends and Family Day”



at the

New Albany Church of Christ



Sunday School: 9:30am

Worship: 10:25am

Noon Meal

Evening Worship: 1:15pm



Are We Inviting?

For many of us, the request to invite someone to a church activity is a turnoff. Bringing someone to worship makes us uncomfortable. It puts us in a bind. It's easier to forget it.

If we allow ourselves to think about the notion for a moment, we often draw a blank because someone we would be brave enough to invite either goes to another church or seems uninterested. With no prospects in mind, we set the idea on the back burner.

Give it another shot!

Below are some idea starters that will help you uncover a prospect or two that you might have previously overlooked or didn't know existed. Give it a try.



Start with family. Think about your spouse, parents, children, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, in-laws, nephews, and nieces. Now canvas your neighborhood. Think about next door neighbors, elderly people on the block, families that have just moved in, and families whose houses you pass on the way home.

Get out your schedules and look for people you meet in sport or hobby activities. Do you have someone that you eat out with, perhaps some single friends, parents of your child's friends, or old acquaintances from school.

Now think about people at work. List supervisors, employees, secretaries, clerical staff, students, clients, new staff members and colleagues you see occasionally.

Next, go through the people you meet casually. Doctor, dentist, realtor, insurance gent, a child's teacher, merchants, service or club members, associates in professional groups, sales representatives who call on you, beautician, people who service your car, lawn or other household items.

Finally think of individuals experiencing life stresses. Included are persons who recently widowed, divorced, who have suffered loss of job or business, people who have been diagnosed with an illness, along with families who have had babies or just moved.

That's your list. Why not get started right away and make an eternal difference in the life of someone you know? Wouldn't it be great to see our auditorium full every Sunday?!

~ Tim Woodward ~

Church Attendance -- Is it Necessary?

Only On Sunday?

But what about our attendance that occurs on other than the Lord's day? The early church certainly did not limit their assembling together just on Sunday. Consider the following:

All of those who were converted on the day of Pentecost in Jerusalem were together and had all things in common (Acts 2:44).

Later the disciples met and prayed together (Acts 4:31). Still later, Peter, having been released from prison, went to the home of John Mark and his mother Mary where many had gathered together for prayer (Act 12:12).

Barnabus took Saul (Paul) to Antioch where they met with the church for an entire year and many were taught (Acts 11:26). When Paul and Barnabus returned from a missionary journey they gathered the church together and reported to them all the things that God had done through them (Acts 14:27).

At Corinth the church gathered for the purpose of disciplining a wayward member (I Cor. 5:4).

It is not reasonable to conclude that all of these assemblies took place on the Lord's day. Those who might conclude such should be reminded of Acts 2:46 which states "And day by day continuing with one mind in the temple..." When we think of the many assemblies the early church had, the direct command that they were not to miss assembling together take on more meaning than just the Sunday morning worship.

BIBLE QUIZ:



* In what province was Thessalonica located?

_____ Acts 16-18

* What punishment was given to Gehazi for his greed? _____ 2 Kings 5:25-27

* Who was Paul writing to when he wrote "I will receive you and will be a Father unto you and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty"? _____ 2 Cor. 6:17-18

* Noah was a preacher of what?

_____ 2 Pet. 2:5

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PRAYER LIST



Kathy Clayton will have tests run Thurs, in Oxford. She suffers from stomach problems.

Nancy Petrowski is at the Vanderbilt Hospital recovering from surgery for a foot infection.

Wit Robertson, grandson of *Troy* and *Novene Robertson* finished his radiation treatments this past week. He will begin chemo treatments in the next few weeks which are scheduled to last a year. Please continue to pray for *Wit*.

Barbara Kimbrell suffered a mini stroke recently and is undergoing tests.

Continue to remember:

Genice Collett, John Elliott, Timmy Bolden, Judy Ward, Natalie Griffin, Roger Clayton, Tatarin Wilson, Lacy Wilson, William Wilson, Sunny Gay, David Crossings, Andy Ulmer, Whit Robertson, Grace Lyon, Harold Reeves, Sheila Thomas, Yolanda Stubblefield, Barbara Davis, Nancy Petrowski, Justin Forsyth, Preeble Foster, Donna Hanes, Hugh Collins, Jack Dunlap, Terry & Betty Young

Shut-Ins:

Jean Drummond, Teresa Clark, Linda Griggs, Billy Joe Garner, Tauso Branch, Claudia Senter

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

Betty Lang, Charlene Coker, Grace Anderson, Mattie Golden, Laura Mae Harris, Louise Holcomb

Military List:

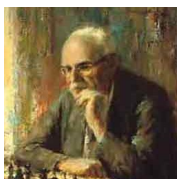
Barry Wilhite, Tiffany Erwin, Aaron Raines, Raegan Cole, Derek Bradley, Jesse Stroud

Bible Verse To Remember

"Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is but exhorting one another: and so much more as you see the day approaching."
Hebrews 10: 24-25

I've Learned...

The task ahead of us is never as great as the power behind us.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



February 19..... Barbara Crotts
February 22..... Jennie Bell
February 25..... Carlisle Smithey
February 27..... Justin Dewberry
February 28..... Brian Carpenter

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

February 21..... Price & Claudia Senter



IT'S A BOY

Congratulations to *Will* and *Sallye Bowlin* on the birth of their son **Carson Reid Bowlin**, born Tues. Feb. 10th, in Tupelo, MS. *Carson* weighed 7lbs, 8.5oz and was 20 inches long. Mother and baby are home and doing great. Proud grandparents are *Roger* and *Kathy Clayton* of New Albany and *Bill* and *Melba Bowlin* of Hickory Flat, MS.



REJOICE

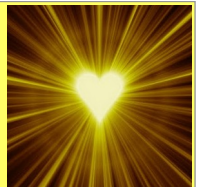
We are happy to report that *Jeremiah Howell* was baptized into Christ Sun, Feb. 15th following morning services. We are proud of *Jeremiah* and want to encourage him as he begins his life as a Christian.

FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY



Sunday, Feb. 22nd will be our annual Friends and Family Day. We are anticipating a good day of worship and fellowship with our friends and family members. If you have not yet invited someone to join us, please take time and do so. If we all invite just one, our building will be full. We will have a potluck meal following our morning worship so bring an extra dish for our guests. Our evening service will begin about 1:15. The adult I class will be in charge of the fellowship building.

**Christ Living in Me...
To Be Seen in 2015!**



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School.....9:30
 Morning Worship.....10:30
 Evening Worship.....6:00
 Wednesday Bible Study....7:00

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 Troy Robertson316-3163

DEACONS

Greg Clayton252-9762
 Roger Clayton 538-8195
 Brad Pounders.....316-7931
 Harold Russell..... 507-1180
 Randy Wall 316-9255
 Lonnie Weaver.....801-8448

TO SERVE

Scripture.....Anderson Parks
 A.M. Prayer.....Randy Wall
 Closing Prayer..Troy Robertson
 P.M. PrayerPhil Young
 ClosingPhillip Young
 Wed.2/25.....Ruston Adams
 Wed.2/25.....David Clayton
 Usher & Lock ...Harold Russell
 Greeter.....B & A Pounders

OUR RECORD

Sunday School.....123
 Sunday A.M.....132
 Sunday P. M.....108
 Wednesday.....91
 Contribution.....\$3,715.00
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PANTRY ITEMS

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Does Your Axe Need Sharpening?

Some years ago a young man looking for work approached a foreman of a logging crew and asked him for a job. "It depends," replied the foreman. Pointing to a tree, he said, "Let's see you take this one down."



The young man stepped forward and skillfully and easily felled the great tree. The foreman was impressed and exclaimed, "you can start on Monday."

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday rolled by. Thursday afternoon the foreman approached the young man and said, "You can pick up your paycheck on the way out today."

Startled, the young man asked, "I thought you paid on Fridays,"

"Normally we do," answered the foreman, "but we're letting you go today because you've fallen behind. Our daily charts show that you've dropped from first place on Monday to last place on Wednesday."

"But I'm a hard worker," the young man objected. "I arrive first, leave last, and I've even worked through my coffee breaks!"

The foreman, sensing the boy's integrity, thought for a minute and asked, "Have you been sharpening your ax?"

The young man replied, "Well, no, sir. I've been working too hard to take the time."

How about you? Have you been too busy to sharpen your ax? Sometimes we can get caught up in what we consider to be important and urgent. But many times those things are never outside our own little circle. We pass people who have problems, needs, and are hurting, but we don't see it because we are too busy cutting down trees. Sometimes we need to take a step back, take a break, and sharpen our ax by looking around. What are we (you) about? Are we doing the job we are called to do? Pray about it! ~copied