



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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PACE OF PLAY

Tim Dooley

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School..... 9:30
Morning Worship.....10:30
Afternoon Worship.....1:15
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30

MINISTERS

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Benevolence, Evangelism, Mission Work

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Maintenance, Security, Children's
Education, CYC

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Special Days, Security

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Maintenance
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Coaching my daughter's High School girl's golf team was for me rewarding and tiresome at the same time. I loved the experiences and mentoring but a two-hour match can sometimes turn into a four-hour nightmare. One of the things we talked about was "pace of play." After your shot you move quickly to your ball and prepare for the next shot. We played "ready golf," where we were more concerned with "pace of play" than who was "out" or farthest away from the hole.

There was one particular match in which my daughter's opponent asked if it was okay for her to "sit down" off the side of the green for a while and rest. My daughter said, "I guess so" and moved on to the next hole. Some players would take four or five practice swings before every shot. They'd chat and (as the other coach I worked with often joked) become "Facebook friends" during the round.

The opposite extreme is also a problem though. Some players would rush through the round so quickly that they would not play to their fullest potential. They'd take no practice swings from awkward lies, have no pre-shot routine, rush putts, and they wouldn't slow down enough to think about what they need to be doing. We didn't need to finish in record time, but we didn't need to be out here all day either.

After practice one morning and going over these things with the team, it dawned on me that the spiritual life of many Christians is approached in similar fashion to these two extremes. There are those who sit around or spend so much time taking "practice swings" that they never get anything accomplished. Yet there are also those who rush through this Christian life so fast that they cannot possibly be as effective as they could be for the Lord.

Here are some "swing tips:"

1. To be successful we need to have a positive mindset. This is where prayer comes in. It is in the time we spend with God in prayer that we pour out our hearts and find the strength and encouragement to press on. Pray often, with others, "without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17).
2. Develop a good pre-shot routine to be consistent! This is accomplished through regularly scheduled times of personal devotion and Bible study. There are many Christians who are "pulling the trigger" prematurely! Paul speaks of those who "...have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge" (Romans 10:2).
3. Make a swing! Jesus commanded His disciples to "Go" (Matthew 22:9; 28:19). At some point we must move from the practice tee to the course, and when we have made adequate preparation, we need to execute with purpose.
4. Once we have taken our shot we need to move on. Sure, we are going to swing and miss, slice it into the woods, and hook it into a hazard. We are going to make mistakes and we are going to get frustrated, but we must keep pressing on (Philippians 3:14). Occasionally we will stripe one right down the middle and its okay to celebrate but realize we have to hit it again.
5. Head back to the range and keep practicing. Times of collective bible study, personal devotion, and both public and private worship are essential to being able to take our game to the course. As are times of fellowship and benevolent activities (Hebrews 10:24-25).

There is only so much time we have in this game of life. As Christians, we need to understand the urgency we face in bringing others to Christ. "And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now, our salvation is nearer than when we first believed" (Romans 13:11). Let's all keep the pace of play. There is a great reward waiting for those who do! Be faithful.



Dooley noted...

"Those who cannot be honest with themselves cannot be honest about Jesus." Self-introspection is not easy but necessary for growth and good spiritual health. Spend some time reflecting on your life and then take steps, and seek help where needed. Also, thanks to everyone who made our first "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" such a success. Another event will be scheduled soon. - Tim



PRAYER LIST

Eleta Grimmert had a procedure August 5th to remove a loop recorder. Eleta continues to struggle with chronic health issues.

Gloria Jones has a doctor appointment Tuesday, August 9th.

Bill Myers, friend of Tim & Colleen, had a heart attach last week, after losing his wife Judy Myers the previous week in a car accident.

Theo Smith, son of Mallory & Winston Smith (youth minister at Beech Hill) , was born August 1st with hydrocephalus and was admitted to LeBonheur.

Natalie Box, daughter of Peggy Miller, tested positive for covid Thursday. Having been exposed, **Peggy** is in quarantine for 7 days.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Shane Crotts , **Cathy Dye** (Amy Jennings mother) , **Majeane Dillard** (mother of Dean Dillard) , **Prebble Foster** (friend of the Carpenters') **Fannie Garner** (niece of Benita Garner) **Martin Hurd** (brother of Betty Adams), **Alfred Jones** (brother of Perry Jones), **Brenda Jones** (mother of Kathy Dye), **Betty McNeely** (sister-in-law of Richard Jennings), **Corey Politte**, **Tom Pettey** (father of Carol Hood), **April & Olivia Pounders**, (members in Ripley) , **Randy Reeder** (son of Grace Lyon), **Novene Robertson**, **Harold Russell**, **Joy Rowland** (sister of Eleta Grimmert).

Shut-Ins: J. L. Eaton, Linda Griggs, Kathy Dye, Joe Reed

Nursing Home: Joe Downs, Lucille Gibson, Sue Stroud, Sue Marques, Bobbi Jean BoBo,

Military List: Derek Bradley, Tevin Bradley, Chase Seals.

SPECIAL NOTICE

- Please take notice of the “**Encouragement Cards**” that Tim Dooley made and placed in each pew. Please take every opportunity that you have to encourage someone. Please place your card in the box marked “Encouragement” in the foyer.
- **Teachers** are needed for **adult classes and children’s classes** in the upcoming quarter (September-November) , there is sign-up sheet in the foyer. Please see Kevin Simmons.

Area Wide Youth Devotional
AUGUST 14 HOSTED BY
ZION REST CHURCH OF CHRIST
BEGINNING AT 5:00 PM

SPEAKER: LUKE GOFF
JOIN US FOR A PERIOD OF WORSHIP
AND MEAL TO FOLLOW.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS/ MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- **August 9th** Ladies **Daytime** Bible Study @ 10:00 a.m. and Ladies **Nighttime** Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m.
- **August 10th** Care Group #2 (Shane/Barbara) meet @ 5:45 in annex building. Bring wipes & infant diapers for women’s ctr.
- **August 13th** Cake Decorating with Janice Cobb @ 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship building. Signup sheet in foyer.
- **August 14th** “**1st Sunday Meal**” at the fellowship building. We will have guest speaker, Jerry Moore, at PM service.
- **August 18th** Men’s Bible Group @ 7:00 P.M. in the annex building.
- **August 20th** Service Day at Pine Vale Children’s Home in Corinth. Signup sheet in the foyer.
- **August 23rd** Ladies **Daytime** Bible Study @ 10:00 a.m. and Ladies **Nighttime** Bible Study @ 6:30 p.m.
- **August 28th Luncheon** for Teens and Adopt-A-Teen Parents. (see Shaler for details)
- **August 28th** Youth Devo hosted by Andy & Sharon Clemmer.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



August 8th ~ Kathy Jennings
 August 10th ~ Sue Stroud
 August 13th ~ Ronnie Griggs
 August 15th ~ Jessica Garrett
 August 19th ~ Kim Clayton
 August 19th ~ Kyleigh Sweezer
 August 20th ~ Phillip Young

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

August 18 ~ Shane & Barbara Crotts
 August 21 ~ Roger & Kathy Clayton
 August 29 ~ Larry & Janet Drummond

Opportunities to Serve

- Ladies Tuesday morning bible class will have a “working lunch” after class this Tuesday, August 9th, to prepare plastic bags for making sleeping pads for Ukraine. Anyone that wants to help is welcome.
- The Ladies Daytime Bible Class is collecting toys for Ukraine. Must be in good condition. No large toys due to shipping restrictions. (Shane)
- Workday at Holly Springs Monday, August 8th @ 10:00 loading containers for shipment to Ukraine. Signup sheet in the foyer. (Shane)
- Service Day Saturday, August 20th at Pine Vale in Corinth. Signup sheet in the foyer. (Kurt)

BRIDAL SHOWER

There will be a bridal shower for *Emily Hill*, bride elect of *Dillon Clayton* , Sunday, August 21st from 2:15-3:30 at the fellowship building. They are registered at Amazon, Walmart and Target. www.theknot.com/us/www.theknot.com/us/emily-hill-and-dillon-clayton-oct-2022.



RESPONSE

Madison Griggs responded to the invitation Sunday, July 31st, asking for prayers, strength and encouragement. Madison is a great asset to our congregation and a wonderful example. She is greatly loved and respected. Please keep Madison in your prayers.

TODAY’S CHURCH EVENT

- Bridal shower following afternoon services for *Austin & Haley Wilson* from 2:15-3:30 at the fellowship building.

AM SERMON OUTLINE

Finding One's Place in Serving

Mark 10:42-45

Tim Dooley

- I. A PLACE TO SERVE IN THE _____
- A. There is _____ in the Message (Romans 1:16; Isaiah 55:11)
 - B. Our _____ to the Message
 - C. My Personal _____ to the Message (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Acts 8:4; 17:6; Matthew 6:33)
- II. A PLACE TO SERVE IN MY _____
- A. My Example at _____ (Ephesians 6:4; Proverbs 31; 2 Kings 4; 1 Timothy 4:12)
 - B. Teaching and Leading (Deuteronomy 11:19; Romans 10:17, 14; 1 Timothy 2:12; Titus 2:4)
 - C. _____ Others (1 Peter 2:9)
 - D. _____
- III. A PLACE TO SERVE IN THE _____
- A. _____
 - B. _____ (Hebrews 5:12; 2 Timothy 2:2)
 - C. _____ and _____
 - D. _____ (Galatians 6:10)
 - E. _____ (Galatians 6:2; Romans 14:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:11)

NOTES:

PM SERMON OUTLINE

Whose Side Are You On?

James 4:1-6

Tim Dooley

- I. U _____ P _____ (vs. 1-2)
- A. The inner struggle between the flesh and spirit (v. 1; Galatians 5:16-17; 1 Peter 2:11).
 - B. They could not obtain the objects of their lusts because of their ungodly practices (v. 2).
 - C. Two reasons why they didn't have the things they needed:
 - 1. They sought them in a sinful fashion.
 - 2. They did not ask God to give them the needed blessing (Matthew 7:7; 21:22)
- II. U _____ P _____ (v. 3).
- A. The reason you don't receive is "*because you ask amiss, that you may consume it upon your lusts*" (Matthew 6:33)
 - B. We must understand that God's promises are conditioned upon:
 - 1. Right _____
 - 2. Right _____
 - 3. Right _____
- III. U _____ P _____ (v. 4).
- A. The Bible warns us about having an affection for the sinful pleasures of this world (Colossians 3:1-2; 1 John 2:15-17)
 - B. Friendship of the world renders us an enemy of God (Matthew 6:19-21, 24)
- IV. U _____ P _____ (v. 5-6).
- A. Presumption of the Scriptures (v. 5; Ecclesiastes 4:4; Proverbs 27:4)
 - B. Proud In Heart (v. 6; Psalm 138:6; Matthew 23:12; 1 Peter 5:5)

NOTES:

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SINGING.....Mark Jennings
SONG111 **Come, We That Love the Lord**
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Steve Hill
SONG12 **Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed**
LORD’S SUPPER/OFFERING.....Phil Young/
 Dillon Clayton, Ricky Adams, Joe Owen
SONG.....796 **Ye Are the Light of the World**
SONG.....618 **Sweet Hour of Prayer**
SCRIPTURE READING..... Jackson Coggin
OPENING PRAYER.....Phillip Young
SONG297 **I Want to Be a Worker**
LESSON..... Tim Dooley
INVITATION SONG.....272 **I Have Decided to Follow Jesus**
SONG756 **When We All Get to Heaven**
CLOSING PRAYER.....Thomas Wall
USHER..... Brian Carpenter/Jason Jennings
LOCK..... Jason Jennings
SECURITY.....Dane Coggin
GREETERS.....Kurt & Shelly Clayton

WORSHIP—SUNDAY EVENING —1:15 PM

P.M. SINGING.....Shaler Grigsby
P.M. OPENING PRAYER.....Olen Clark
LESSON..... Tim Dooley
P.M. CLOSING PRAYER.....Owen Clayton

BIBLE STUDY—WEDNESDAY, August 10 —6:30 P.M.

SINGING.....Thomas Wall
OPENING PRAYERHunter Jennings
DEVOTIONAL.....Shaler Grigsby
CLOSING PRAYER..... Ronnie Griggs

OUR RECORD

Week of 07/31/2022

Sunday School.....118
 Sunday A.M.....142
 Sunday P.M.....96
 Wednesday114
 Contribution.....\$5,216.00
 Budget..... \$4,750.00

Sunday, August 14, 2022

Greeters.....Mark & Alyce Jennings
 Announcements.....Steve Hill
 Singing.....Richard Jennings
 Lord’s Supper.....Phil Young, Dillon Clayton, Ricky Adams, Joe Owen
 Scripture Reading.....Dean Dillard
 Opening Prayer Richard Adams
 Closing Prayer.....Bill Botts
 Usher.....Brian Carpenter/Andy Brown
 Lock.....Dane Coggin
 Security.....Jason Jennings

Sunday P.M. Guest Speaker: Jerry Moore

Singing.....Mark Jennings
 Opening Prayer.....Greg Clayton
 Closing Prayer.....Dane Coggin

Wednesday August 17, 2022

Singing.....Clay Jennings
 Opening Prayer.....Jason Jennings
 DevotionalRicky Adams
 Closing PrayerCaleb Jennings

Sunday, August 21, 2022

Greeters.....Randy & Amy English
 Announcements.....Steve Hill
 Singing.....Phillip Young
 Lord’s Supper.....Phil Young, Dillon Clayton, Ricky Adams, Joe Owen
 Scripture Reading.....Dean Dillard
 Opening PrayerMike Brown
 Closing Prayer.....David Clayton
 Usher.....Brian Carpenter/Kurt Clayton
 Lock.....Kurt Clayton
 Security.....Mark Jennings

Sunday P.M.

Singing.....Richard Jennings
 Opening Prayer.....Tim Dye
 Closing Prayer.....Clay Jennings

Wednesday August 24, 2022

Singing.....Dillon Clayton
 Opening Prayer.....Richard Jennings
 DevotionalBrian Carpenter
 Closing PrayerMark Jennings



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