



# THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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May 21, 2023

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

First Worship..... 9:00  
Sunday School.....10:00  
Second Worship.....11:00  
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30

## MINISTERS

Tim Dooley.....859-486-4215  
Shaler Grigsby.....256-263-9137  
Office.....662-534-4649

## ELDERS

Greg Clayton.....662-252-9762  
Andy Clemmer.....662-816-5887  
Tim Dye.....662-316-2527  
Richard Jennings ..662-316-1305  
Phil Young.....662-316-2059

## DEACONS

Andy Brown..... 662-871-9199  
Young Adults, Youth, Marketing  
Kurt Clayton..... 662-316-6420  
Benevolence, Mission Work  
Dane Coggin ..... 662-419-8308  
Adults, Worship Assignments,  
Sound Room  
Jason Jennings..... ...662-801-3260  
Maintenance, Security, CYC,  
Children's Education  
Mark Jennings.....731-609-3309  
Maintenance, Seniors, Fellowship/  
Special Days, Security  
Kevin Simmons..... 662-512-8451  
New Members, Ladies Ministry,  
High School & Adult Education,  
Care Groups, Mission Work  
Randy Wall.....662-316-9255  
Fellowship/Special Days,  
Maintenance

## Want A Cookie?

Tim Dooley

It has become standard operating procedure today in our society to give out awards for everything. We don't want to bruise the fragile little ego of Johnny because someone went above and beyond and was awarded for it while Johnny just did the bare minimum in order to get by. Everyone gets a "participation" award and some teachers have even been told they can't use a red pen to mark and correct mistakes on assignments (apparently my spell checker has not yet been given the notice: I think I'm supposed to feel bad about myself).

But here is what I think. This mindset is creating fragile egos and "dumbing down" our society. I also believe it is a contributing factor to the lack of humility and over-abundant entitlement attitude we see all around us today.

Sadly, this societal mindset has made its way into the religious realm and even into the church. We expect to "get something" out of our worship and service, we want things to go our way, we expect God's unconditional forgiveness, and we want to be entertained. We have forgotten that God created us to be the servants, not the served! In Ecclesiastes 12:13 we read, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man's all."

But what's in it for me? Jesus would answer this question with another question, as he often did. Does the master thank the servant because he did the things he was commanded to do? The answer, "I think not" (Luke 17:9). Then in the next verse he says, "So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, "We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do."

Now, we are not serving for nothing. In fact, the reward for faithful service is the greatest reward mankind will ever know. The problem is it simply does not gel with our mortal and selfish motives. The apostle Paul tells us that athletes compete in order to receive a "perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown" (1 Corinthians 9:25).

In an interview I saw some time ago the statement was made, "You don't get a cookie for doing what you are supposed to do." I wish that were still the outlook of our society and many of my brethren. The cookie only satisfies for a moment and then it's gone (while the negative effects may linger). If we get back to the idea of servitude we will make this world and the church a better place and heaven our home. Now, what did Colleen do with those Cookies???



Church Calendar



## Dooley Noted...

I heard a preacher this week say a man told him at the end of services that he wouldn't be returning because the preacher's sermon made him feel bad about himself and he came to church to feel better. Unfortunately, this happened to me years ago as well. Yet I'm reminded that preaching should not leave a sinner delighted with their lives, it must be disruptive to their lives. Be faithful. – Tim



## PRAYER LIST

**Mike Carney**, brother of Colleen Dooley, had surgery this past Friday to remove a spot on his bladder.

**Ralph Clayton** will begin cancer treatments.

**Terry Renfrow** had cataract surgery this past Thursday.

Please remember **Tim & Colleen** as they travel this week.

### Continued Prayers:

**John Bodie, Rex & Jennie Bell, Shane Crofts** (dialysis), **Grace Crofts** (Shane's mother), **Ralph Clayton, Arelus & Ernestine Dye, Tonya Dillard, Prebble Foster, Marissa Grigsby** (Shaler's mother), **Linda Griggs, Eleta Grimmett, Ron Griggs, Jr., Alfred Jones** (brother of Perry Jones), **Brenda Jones** (mother of Kathy Dye), **Gloria Jones, Amanda Martin** (daughter of Tim & Kathy Dye), **Betty McNeely** (sister of Richard Jennings), **Corey Politte, April Pounders, Olivia Pounders, Novene Robertson, Davis & Clemmer Families.**

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

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

**Military List:** Derek Bradley, Anderson Parks, Alex Kraus (grandson of Jerry & Eleta Grimmett)

## RESPONSE

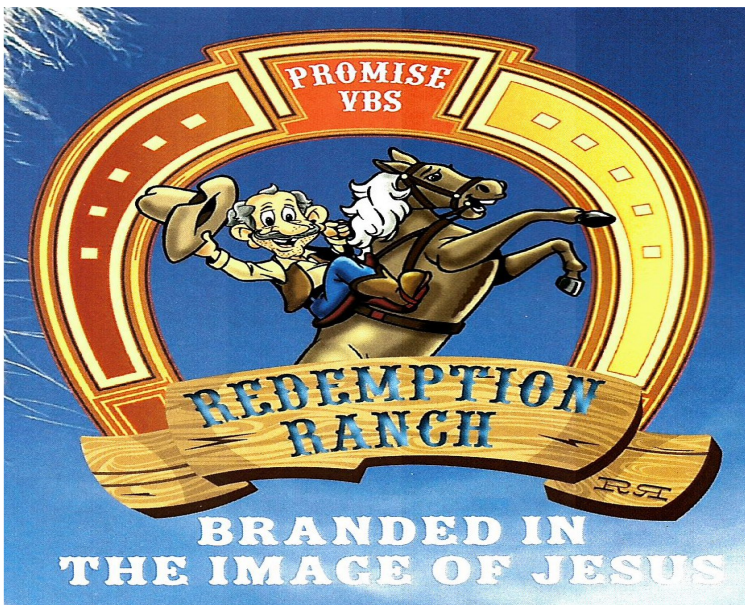
Jadi Rogers responded to the invitation Wednesday night asking forgiveness and our prayers of support and encouragement in her daily struggles. Jadi is a loving example to all and loved by all.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to *Amy Jennings* who is retiring from 25 years of teaching in our public schools. What a great accomplishment! We are so proud of Amy.

Happy Retirement!!!

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEW ALBANY CHIRST OF CHRIST JUNE 4TH - 7TH



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



May 19.....Bobby Marques  
May 22..... Lee Ann Gaillard  
May 22.....Colt Wilhite  
May 27.....Olen Clark

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

May 20th .....Bill & Karen Botts

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

- There will be A **Bridal Shower** for *Grace Thompson*, bride elect of *Ruston Adams*, this afternoon from 2:00-3:30 pm at the fellowship building.
- **Teachers** for adult classes meet today.
- Monthly **Youth Devo** today at 5:00pm at the home of Greg & Kim Clayton.

## TEACHERS SUMMER QUARTER

Teachers are needed for PreK-Kindergarten and 2nd & 3rd grade. If you can teach, please see Jason Jennings.

## THIS WEEK'S CHURCH EVENTS

- **Ladies Bible Class** meets Tuesday morning at 10:00 am in the annex.
- **Team Todd #3** will meet Wednesday night, the 24th @ 5:30 in the annex building. Please bring finger foods.
- **Men's Ministry** meet Thursday 25th @ 7:00pm
- **Blood Drive** at the Fellowship Hall from 3:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M. There is a Signup sheet in the foyer. Please see Kevin Simmons.

## ELDERS NOTES

The New Albany congregation has been blessed to have beautiful facilities to worship God and fellowship. In an effort to be good stewards, a lot of time, effort and money has been spent on housekeeping, maintenance, and updating. In an effort to keep our classrooms and worship areas welcoming and appropriate for learning, we are seeking the help of every member. Following are a few suggestions.

- Please do not allow children to use Guest Cards and Encouragement Cards to write and draw on.
- We are in the process of replacing the worn bibles in the pews. Please help care for the new bibles.
- After services, clear your seating area of communion cups, papers, toys, crayons, blankets, etc.
- Students, our teachers work very hard to organize and make our classrooms a pleasant environment for your learning. Please help clean up before leaving the classroom.

## YOU TUBE ~ LIVE STREAMING ~ Sun. @ 9:00, 11:00 & Wed. @ 6:30

### FIRST SERMON OUTLINE

#### Any Last Words

Shaler Grigsby

The Last Words of Jesus

- Matthew 27:46
- Luke 23:34
- Luke 23:43
- John 19:26-27
- John 19:28
- Matthew 27:50, John 19:30, & Mark 15:37

These Last Words Show

- Matthew 27:46 ○ \_\_\_\_\_
- Luke 23:34 ○ \_\_\_\_\_
- Luke 23:43 ○ \_\_\_\_\_
- John 19:26-27 ○ \_\_\_\_\_
- John 19:28 ○ \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew 27:50, John 19:30, & Mark 15:37  
○ \_\_\_\_\_
- John 13:1  
○ Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ like his last words
- Matthew 28:18-20
- Acts 1:4-9  
○ His \_\_\_\_\_ last words were how we should live

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### SECOND SERMON OUTLINE

#### Don't Quit

Exodus 6:1-6

Shaler Grigsby

Is quitting your christianity an \_\_\_\_\_?

- ❖ God Says, Don't Quit Because of Who I \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ God Says, Don't Quit Because of What I \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ God Says, Don't Quit Because of What I \_\_\_\_\_  
➤ Galatians 6:1-10

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### CHURCH HAPPENINGS/ MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Remember Encouragement Cards, please, let us encourage others at every opportunity.**

- **May 28th** - Fellowship Meal (we will not have fellowship meal 1st Sunday in June)
- **May 31st** - Fifth Wednesday night singing.
- **June 4th-7th** - Vacation Bible School
- **June 6th** - "Terrific Tuesday" First Responders Breakfast
- **June 11th** - Area Wide at New Albany

**WORSHIP-FIRST SERVICE-9:00 A.M.**

LEAD SINGING.....Mark Jennings  
 SONG.....000  
 ANNOUNCEMENTS ..... Kevin Simmons  
 SONG .....000  
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Jackson Coggin  
 OPENING PRAYER .....Randy Wall  
 SONG .....000  
 SERMON .....Shaler Grigsby  
 INVITATION SONG.....000  
 SONG .....000  
 LORD’S SUPPER ..... Joe Owen, Greg Clayton,  
 Olen Clark, Kurt Clayton  
 SONG.....000  
 OFFERING..... Joe Owen  
 SONG .....000  
 CLOSING PRAYER .....Thomas Wall

— DISMISS TO CLASS —

**WORSHIP—SECOND SERVICE-11:00 A.M.**

LEAD SINGING.....Mike Brown  
 OPENING PRAYER .....Bill Botts  
 SERMON .....Shaler Grigsby  
 CLOSING PRAYER..... Dane Coggin  
 USHER.....Matt Jennings/Kevin Simmons  
 LOCK.....Mark Jennings  
 SECURITY.....Mark Jennings  
 GREETERS.....Steve & Lana Todd

**BIBLE STUDY— WEDESDAY, May 24th—6:30 P.M.**

SINGING.....Owen Clayton  
 OPENING PRAYER .....Andy Clemmer  
 DEVOTIONAL.....Andy Clemmer  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Michael Dillard

**What Must I Do To Be Saved?**

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17)
2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7)
3. Repent of Sins (Acts 3:19)
4. Confess Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37)
5. Be Baptized for the Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38)
6. Be Faithful (Revelation 2:10)

**OUR RECORD**

**Week of 05/14/2023**

Sunday School.....114 (3)  
 Sunday 1st Service..... 121 (11)  
 Sunday 2nd Service.....98 (4)  
 Wednesday .....108 (0)  
 (Online).  
 Contribution.....\$6,865.00  
 Budget.....\$5,124.00

**Sunday, May 28, 2023**

Greeters.....Phil & Paige Young  
 Announcements.....Kevin Simmons  
 Singing.....Richard Jennings  
 Lord Supper.....Joe Owen, Greg Clayton,  
 Olen Clark, Kurt Clayton  
 Scripture Reading.....Clayton Hill  
 Opening Prayer .....Richard Adams  
 Closing Prayer.....Ricky Adams  
 Usher .....Matt Jennings/Randy Wall  
 Lock.....Matt Jennings  
 Security.....Matt Jennings

**Sunday Second Service**

Singing.....Mark Jennings  
 Opening Prayer.....Dillon Clayton  
 Closing Prayer.....Martin Crotts

**Wednesday, May 31, 2023**

Singing.....5th Wednesday Night  
 Opening Prayer.....Tim Dooley  
 Devotional.....Bill Botts  
 Closing Prayer .....Tim Dye

**Sunday, June 4th, 2023**

Greeters.....  
 Announcements.....  
 Singing.....  
 Lord Supper.....  
 Scripture Reading.....  
 Opening Prayer .....  
 Closing Prayer.....  
 Usher .....  
 Lock.....  
 Security.....

**Sunday Second Service**

Singing.....  
 Opening Prayer.....  
 Closing Prayer.....

**Wednesday, June 7th, 2023**

Singing.....  
 Opening Prayer.....  
 Devotional.....Tim Dooley  
 Closing Prayer .....

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