



# THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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July 16, 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  
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

## Rainbow Man

Tim Dooley

His name was Rollen Stewart. I didn't know him personally, but he was an ever-present character in my home when I grew up in the late 70s and early 80s. He was best known by many as "Rainbow Man." He would appear at seemingly every sporting event that was televised wearing a rainbow-colored Afro wig and wearing a shirt (or holding a sign) with the message "Believe in Jesus" or simply "John 3:16." I certainly knew that verse, it was one of the first memory verses I ever learned in Sunday School. But this was my first real encounter with what I later learned to be the "faith only" doctrine.

As I grew older and began to question the validity of what I believed to be true I started to see the fallacies and inconsistencies in the denominational doctrines that permeate our society. The "faith only" crowd didn't really believe what they said and contradicted themselves frequently. For example, they would contend that all one had to do was believe that Jesus was the Son of God, but then they would say that it was necessary to repent of your sins. They would say that all you had to do was believe but then say you needed to say the "Sinner's Prayer." So, I began to cement my faith in what the Bible actually said about salvation and God's gift of grace and mercy. And this is what I found:

**True Faith.** It is not merely a mental assent combined with a disposition to the truth. It embraces obedience. Faith only, without works (works of righteousness, not merit), is dead (James 2:14-26).

**Obedience to Christ Is What God Wants.** To take a single, beautiful verse like John 3:16 out of context and distort it is wrong. When examined against the remote context of the Bible we can only conclude that those who refuse to do what Christ has commanded will be lost for eternity. Jesus said, "If you love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Jesus was the, "...author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him" (Hebrews 5:8-9). And the inspired Paul said that those who do not obey the gospel of Jesus are subject to the wrath of God (1 Thessalonians 1:8).

**Repentance Is Necessary.** No one can deny that repentance was a main emphasis of apostolic teaching (Luke 24:47; Acts 5:31; 20:21; 26:20; 2 Corinthians 7:9; 2 Peter 3:9). In fact, God "now commands all men everywhere to repent" (Acts 17:30).

**Confession Is Required.** In His own words, we find out that the only way to be confessed by Christ before the Judgment throne of the Father is to confess Him here on earth with our words and with our lives (Matthew 10:32-33). Thoughtful reflection will lead us to conclude that confession is fundamental to our salvation. But confession itself doesn't save us. Romans 10:10 tells us that belief leads to righteousness and that confession leads to salvation.

**Baptism for The Remission of Sins Is Essential!** Up to this point, you get little argument from most, but they then bristle at this thought, and I honestly do not understand why. The Bible is clear. Baptism is "for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38), it puts you into Christ (Galatians 3:27), it is where we put off the old man and put on the new man (Romans 6:3-6), baptism saves us (1 Peter 3:21). No honest appraisal of the Scriptures can lead to any other conclusion.

Rollen "The Rainbow Man" Stewart is currently serving three consecutive life sentences in prison. I hope and pray that he, and everyone else, will come to a true understanding of what God wants before it is too late. What about you? Have you been obedient to God? If you have not; why not today? Do it and, remember, be faithful!



Church Calendar



## PRAYER LIST

**Elwyn Allbritton**, stepfather of Kerry Gaillard, recovering from surgery for a broken hip.

**Harper Hodum**, granddaughter of Shelly Clayton’s coworker, is at St. Jude awaiting biopsy results of a mass on her kidney.

### Continued Prayers:

**John Bodie, Rex & Jennie Bell, Shane Crofts** (dialysis), **Grace Crofts** (Shane’s mother), **Molly Clayton, Ralph Clayton, Arelus Dye, Tonya Dillard, Prebble Foster, Marissa Grigsby, Eleta Grimmett, Alfred Jones** (brother of Perry Jones), **Gloria Jones, Amanda Martin** (daughter of Tim & Kathy Dye), **Betty McNeely** (sister of Richard Jennings), **Lisa Newell** (leukemia), **Corey Politte, April Pounders, Olivia Pounders, Novene Robertson, Sue Davis & Clemmer Families.**

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

### Nursing Home:

**Majean Dillard** (mother of Dean Dillard), **Lucille Gibson, Sue Marques, Sue Stroud, Bobbi Jean BoBo** (Hwy 178), **Joy Rowland** (sister of Eleta Grimmett)

### Military List:

Derek Bradley, Anderson Parks, Alex Kraus (grandson of Jerry & Eleta Grimmett)

## AREA EVENTS

You are invited to “Girls Day” at the Booneville Church of Christ, Sat. August 26th beginning at 9am. The guest speaker will be Nicole Young.



### *Dooley Noted...*

We are so excited that while we search for a full-time youth and family minister that Andy Brown will be serving in that role. We are thankful for his willingness to serve our youth and the congregation. We know what a great job Andy and Victoria do for the church here. Please, give them support and encouragement. While they’ll be leading this ministry, they can’t do it alone.—Tim

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Remember Encouragement Cards.

- “Men’s Coffee” every Thursday morning @ 7:00 a.m. at Two Sisters Restaurant.
- **July 23rd** - Monthly Youth Devo at the home of Andy & Victoria Brown.
- **July 25th** - “Terrific Tuesdays” Pizza & Swimming at the Ormons.
- **August 1st** - Ladies Tuesday Morning bible class will resume @ 10:00 in the annex building .
- **August 6th** - 1st Sunday fellowship meal.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



July 20th.....Molly Clayton  
 July 21st.....Cayden Rogers  
 July 22nd.....Michael Dillard  
 July 22nd.....Hunter Jennings  
 July 22nd.....Matt Jennings  
 July 23rd.....Christy Phillips  
 July 26th.....Meadow Mae Politte  
 July 26th.....Shavon McWilliams  
 July 27th.....Dixie White

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*July 25th .....Bobby & Sue Marques*

## BRIDAL SHOWER



A bridal shower is planned for Tyla Jones, bride elect of Anderson Parks, July 30th from 1:30 -3:00 pm at the fellowship building. Kyla is registered at Amazon and Walmart.

## UP COMING EVENTS

- July 16th-July 22nd Maywood Christian Camp 7th Week. To register: maywoodchristian-camp.com
- July 20th Men’s Ministry will meet @ 7:00 p.m. in the annex building.
- Area Wide Youth Meeting will meet July 23rd at Pontotoc Church Street congregation..



The Power of  
**ONE**

**FIRST SERMON OUTLINE**

**The Right to Be Wrong**

I Thessalonians 5:19-22

Tim Dooley

- I. The Right to Be Wrong About \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. Atheism (Romans 1:20ff; Psalm 19)
  - B. Do I Have to Believe (Hebrews 11:6; Matthew 3:17; 17:5; 1 John 5:9-10; Hebrews 11:6; John 8:24)?
- II. The Right to Be Wrong About the \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. How Many Did Jesus Build (Matthew 16:18)?
  - B. How Many Bodies Does Jesus Have (Ephesians 4:4; 1:22-23)
  - C. Does It Matter How We Worship (Ephesians 5:18-19; John 4:24)
  - D. Do I Have To (Ephesians 5:23, 26-27; 2:16)?
- III The Right to Be Wrong About \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. Does the Mode Matter (Colossians 2:12; Romans 6:3-4)?
  - B. Does the Heart Matter (Acts 2:38)?
  - C. Does the Reason Matter (Acts 2:38; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9)?
- IV. The Right to Be Wrong About \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. God Commanded (Acts 17:30-31)
  - B. God Motivated (2 Tim 2:25)
  - C. God Desired (2 Pet 3:9)

**Notes:**

**SECOND SERMON OUTLINE**

**The Moral Compass:  
God's Standard for Morality**

Titus 2:11-12

Tim Dooley

- I. What Is Morality?
  - A. \_\_\_\_\_ Standard
    - 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Ethics
    - 2. God wants me to be \_\_\_\_\_
    - 3. \_\_\_\_\_ is doing it
    - 4. I'm not \_\_\_\_\_ anyone
    - 5. \_\_\_\_\_
    - 6. You \_\_\_ you
    - 7. If it feels \_\_\_\_\_ (1 John 2:15-17)
    - 8. I don't \_\_\_ anything \_\_\_ with it (Judges 17:6)
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_ Standard:
    - 1. Soberly
    - 2. Righteously (1 Thessalonians 2:10)
    - 3. Godly
- II. What Does the Old Testament Teach Us About Morality?
  - A. God's \_\_\_\_\_ Has Always Been the Standard (Genesis 2:17; 3:8; 4:9)
  - B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Moses (Exodus 20; Deuteronomy 5; Romans 13:8-14)
  - C. Do not \_\_\_\_\_ to or \_\_\_\_\_ (Deuteronomy 4:2; 12:32; Proverbs 30:6)
- III. What Does the New Testament Teach Us About Morality?
  - A. Those Who Will Not Inherit \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Corinthians 6:9-10; Galatians 5:19-21; Ephesians 5:3-5)
  - B. The Christian Is to Live A Life of \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 5:8; 1 Timothy 4:12; 5:22; 1 John 3:3)
  - C. \_\_\_\_\_ is Our Standard (Romans 12:1-2; Philippians 2:5)

**Notes:**

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

LEAD SINGING.....Andy Brown  
 SONG.....**898** Unto Thee, O Lord  
 ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Greg Clayton  
 SONG.....10,000 Reasons  
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Clayton Hill  
 OPENING PRAYER.....Mark Jennings  
 SONG.....**895** Thy Word  
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley  
 INVITATION SONG.....**272** I Have Decided to Follow Jesus  
 SONG.....**859** He Paid a Debt  
 LORD'S SUPPER.....Dillon Clayton, Andy Clemmer,  
 Michael Dillard, Tim Dye  
 SONG.....**923** Give Thanks  
 OFFERING.....Andy Clemmer  
 SONG.....**70** Be Thou My Vision  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Perry Jones

**DISMISS TO BIBLE CLASS 10:00 A.M.**

**WORSHIP-SECOND SERVICE-11:00 A.M.**

LEAD SINGING.....Phillip Young  
 OPENING PRAYER.....Kevin Simmons  
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Matt Jennings  
 USHER.....Dean Dillard/Dane Coggin  
 LOCK.....Dane Coggin  
 SECURITY.....Greg Clayton  
 GREETERS.....Dane & Amanda Coggin

**BIBLE STUDY— WEDESDAY, July 19th— 6:30 P.M.**

SINGING.....Thomas Wall  
 OPENING PRAYER.....Kevin Simmons  
 DEVOTIONAL.....Brian Carpenter  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Ronnie Griggs

**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 07/09/2023**

Sunday School.....137 (0)  
 Sunday 1st Service.....125 (8)  
 Sunday 2nd Service.....133 (4)  
 Wednesday.....102 (4)  
 (Online)  
 Contribution.....\$6,661.00  
 Budget.....\$5,124.00

**Sunday, July 23, 2023**

Greeters.....Richard & Kathy Jennings  
 Announcements.....Greg Clayton  
 Singing.....Mike Brown  
 Lord Supper.....Dillon Clayton, Tim Dye,  
 Andy Clemmer, Michael Dillard  
 Scripture Reading.....Randy Wall  
 Opening Prayer.....Richard Jennings  
 Closing Prayer.....Paul Ormon  
 Usher.....Dean Dillard/Kurt Clayton  
 Lock.....Kurt Clayton  
 Security.....Dan Cobb

**Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.**

Singing.....Andy Brown  
 Opening Prayer.....Terry Stubblefield  
 Closing Prayer.....Conner Miller

**Wednesday, July 26, 2023**

Singing.....Clay Jennings  
 Opening Prayer.....Richard Adam  
 Devotional.....Thomas Wall  
 Closing Prayer.....Alvin Parks

**Sunday, July 30, 2023**

Greeters.....Greg & Kim Clayton  
 Announcements.....Greg Clayton  
 Singing.....Mark Jennings  
 Lord Supper.....Dillon Clayton, Tim Dye,  
 Andy Clemmer, Michael Dillard  
 Scripture Reading.....Thomas Wall  
 Opening Prayer.....Clint Stroupe  
 Closing Prayer.....Steve Todd  
 Usher.....Dean Dillard/Jason Jennings  
 Lock.....Jason Jennings  
 Security.....Dane Coggin

**Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.**

Singing.....Mike Brown  
 Opening Prayer.....Phil Young  
 Closing Prayer.....Troy Robertson

**Wednesday, August 02, 2023**

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

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