



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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July 23, 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

Dead and Stinking

Tim Dooley

Image is everything! Often our problem is that the image we have of ourselves is not usually reality. Reality is defined as *“the state of things as they actually exist, as opposed to an idealistic or notional idea of them.”* The man who sees himself as a “humble servant” may, in reality, be seen by those around him as an arrogant hypocrite. The woman who sees herself as a stalwart and faithful child of God may, in reality, be a lukewarm and divisive enemy of the truth. While we may see ourselves as the valiant salmon swimming mightily upstream we may, in reality, be a dead, stinking, carp floating down the river.

Not only is self-image a problem for so many but an undue obsession with how others see us is equally concerning. We hear folks say all the time that they “don’t care what anybody else thinks.” This is simply not true because we all care about what someone thinks! The real problem for the vast majority of people is that “who we wish to be approved of” is misplaced.

Truth is we want to be seen as righteous but want to live whatever kind of lives we so choose. This has led to a myriad of arguments like “You can’t judge me,” or “God wants me to be happy.” When will we stop the nonsense and start asking ourselves “How does God see me?” When will we have the courage to be honest with that appraisal and do something positive about it?

What will be the results of this kind of “reality” check?

1. **We will truly repent of our sins (Acts 26:20).** People don’t repent and turn to God because they have a warped sense of reality. If we saw ourselves the way God sees us we would be on our knees begging His forgiveness!
2. **We will be more evangelistic (Matthew 28:18–20).** If we saw ourselves as God sees us we would be less worried about hurting people’s feelings and more worried about the fact they were lost!
3. **We will speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15).** This goes hand in hand with the previous point but with one distinction. We would be direct, but loving; faithful, but patient; sound, but compassionate. Screaming, “Turn or Burn!” doesn’t convert anyone.
4. **We will be more benevolent and less selfish (Philippians 2:3; Galatians 6:10).** If we see ourselves as God sees us we would realize that everything we have belongs to Him and should be used for His glory. It is just stuff, it is temporal, and in relation to eternity is really pretty inconsequential.
5. **We will be obedient and faithful (Hebrews 5:8–9; 2 Thessalonians 1:8; Revelation 2:10).** If we saw ourselves as God sees us we would obey the gospel and we would live faithful Christian lives in hope of eternal life through His Son!

God sees everything and He sees us as we actually are (Proverbs 15:3; 1 Peter 3:12) We ought not to kid ourselves into thinking that when God looks at us He necessarily sees good. Look into the mirror of God’s Word and see yourself as God sees you. What do you see? A sinner in need of God’s saving grace? A saint that needs to be more focused and faithful to the will of the Father? A dead, stinkin’ fish? God loves you and He sent His Son to die for you. How will you respond? Obey Him and be faithful!



Church Calendar



Dooley Noted... When was the last time you told someone (other than family) that you loved them? When was the last time you told someone you forgive them? When was the last time you told someone, “Good job,” or “I’m proud of you?” A word fitly spoken? I love you! – Tim



PRAYER LIST

John Bodie begins 2 weeks of chemo treatments on Monday.
Kathy Clayton's physician has referred her to a cardiologist.
Ernesting Dye was admitted to the ER Wednesday due to elevated white blood count.
Paul Bingham, cousin of Kathy Clayton, who lost his wife of 60 years in auto accident, and in which he sustained a broken back and broken ribs. Funeral was this past Sunday in Florence, AL.
Kylie Kinchelae, granddaughter of Deloris Crowe, had surgery this past Tuesday in Tupelo.

Continued Prayers:

John Bodie, Rex & Jennie Bell, Shane Crotts (dialysis), **Grace Crotts** (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:

Majejan 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)

For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; Naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Matthew 25:36



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



July 23rd.....Christy Phillips
 July 26th.....Meadow Mae Politte
 July 26th.....Shavon McWilliams
 July 27th.....Dixie White

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

July 25thBobby & Sue Marques

BRIDAL SHOWER



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

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

- Area Wide Youth Meeting at Pontotoc Church Street congregation 5:00 pm.

LADIES, 3-103

Dr. Kathy Clayton is inviting all ladies ages 3-103 to enjoy a study of the book of Galatians Tuesday, **July 25th** from 10-11 a.m. in the annex building, with "lunch" prepared by Roger & Kathy to follow in the fellowship building. If you plan to attend, there is a signup sheet in the foyer or text Kathy at (662) 486-8616.

"TERRIFIC TUESDAY"

Tuesday, July 25th, Terrific Tuesday Kids are invited to the home of Paul & Maria Ormon for pizza and swimming. Plan to get wet and don't forget, bring your own towel, please. If you have any questions, please call.

Back-To-School Bash

On **July 30th** there will be a back-to-school bash for the whole congregation. Stay tuned please, more information coming soon!!!

RESPONSE

Benita Garner responded to the invitation this past Sunday asking for prayers with the daily struggles in her life. Benita is a great asset to this congregation. Please encourage and pray for Benita.

NEW PHONE NUMBER

Please revise your directory to reflect J. L. Eaton 's new phone number (662) 260-9077.

BABY SHOWER

A baby shower is planned for *Haley Wilson* on Sunday, August 13th, from 1:30-3:00 (come & go), at the fellowship building. Haley & Austin are expecting a girl.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Remember Encouragement Cards.

- "Men's Coffee" every Thursday morning @ 7:00 a.m. at Two Sisters Diner.
- **August 1st - Ladies** Tuesday morning bible class will resume @ 10:00 in the annex building .
- **August 6th** -1st Sunday fellowship meal.
- **August 6th** - Elders, Deacons and Ministers meet at 1:15 p.m.
- **August 13th** - Area Wide Youth Meeting at Zion's Rest in Marietta @ 5:00 p.m.
- **August 17th**- Men's Ministry Meet @ 7pm in the annex building.

FIRST SERMON OUTLINE

Christ is Coming

2Thessalonians 2:1-2

Tim Dooley

I. TWO-FOLD _____ OF THE LORD'S COMING

A. *To Render* _____ *Upon Evil* (1:8).

B. *To Be* _____ *with His Saints* (1:10)

II. EVENTS _____ THE LORD'S COMING

A. *The Great* _____ (2:1-12).

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

B. *The Great* _____ (2:13-16).

Notes:

SECOND SERMON OUTLINE

Adorn Yourselfes

I Timothy 2:9-10

Tim Dooley

I. The _____ of Modesty

II. The _____ to Be Modest

A. We Are Not to Draw Undue Attention to Ourselves (1 Peter 3:3-4; 1 Timothy 2:9-10; Matthew 5:27-28)

B. We Should Seek to Emphasize the Spiritual Not the Physical (1 Peter 3:15; Matthew 5:16; Romans 12:1-2)

III. The _____ of the Matter

A. How Short Is Too Short? How Tight Is Too Tight (Genesis 3:7, 10, 21; Exodus 20:26; 28:42)

1. Train up your children (Ephesians 6:4)

2. Wives and Daughters (Ephesians 6:1; 5:22; Colossians 3:18, 20)

3. Elders (Hebrews 13:17)

4. Older Members (Titus 2:1-8)

B. When the Heart Is Right the Dress Will Not Be Questionable (2 Corinthians 5:9; Colossians 1:10; 1 Thessalonians 2:4; Matthew 6:33)

Notes:

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

LEAD SINGING.....Mike Brown
 SONG.....**870** I'm Happy Today
 ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Greg Clayton
 SONG.....**435** More Love to Thee, O Christ
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Randy Wall
 OPENING PRAYER.....Richard Jennings
 SONG.....**383** Just Over in the Gloryland
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley
 INVITATION SONG.....**762** Where He Leads Me, I Will Follow
 SONG.....**440** My Jesus, I Love Thee
 LORD'S SUPPER.....Dillon Clayton, Andy Clemmer,
 Michael Dillard, Tim Dye
 SONG.....**268** I Gave My Life for Thee
 OFFERING.....Andy Clemmer
 SONG.....**48** Anywhere with Jesus
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Paul Ormon

DISMISS TO BIBLE CLASS 10:00 A.M.

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

LEAD SINGING.....Andy Brown
 OPENING PRAYER.....Terry Stubblefield
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Paul Ormon
 USHER.....Dean Dillard/Kurt Clayton
 LOCK.....Kurt Clayton
 SECURITY.....Dan Cobb
 GREETERS.....Richard & Kathy Jennings

BIBLE STUDY— WEDESDAY, July 26th— 6:30 P.M.

SINGING.....Clay Jennings
 OPENING PRAYER.....Richard Adams
 DEVOTIONAL.....Thomas Wall
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Alvin Parks

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 07/16/2023

Sunday School.....134 (0)
 Sunday 1st Service.....131 (0)
 Sunday 2nd Service.....125 (0)
 Wednesday.....N/A (0)
 (Online)
 Contribution.....\$5,146.00
 Budget.....\$5,124.00

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.....

Sunday, August 06, 2023

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

Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.

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

Wednesday, August 09, 2023

Singing.....
 Opening Prayer.....
 Devotional.....Kevin Simmons
 Closing Prayer.....

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