



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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September 10, 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

Developing the Heart and Mind of Christ

Tim Dooley

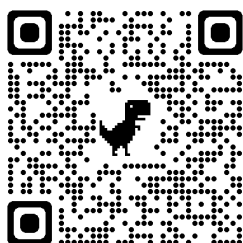
Faithful preachers emphasize the necessity of bible study and prayer because it is in these activities that the mind of Christ is developed in the Christian. Yet, some so-called preachers have suggested that these activities are not sufficient to guide and aid us in developing the heart and mind of Christ. They suggest that the Spirit of God must guide us in addition to, or separate from, the Word of God and prayer. The work of the Holy Spirit was, and is, to transform us so that we might live more like Christ. We are told to feed the Spirit and live thereby (Galatians 5:16). Paul said that to be the sons of God, we must be led by the Spirit (Romans 8:14).

The question is not "Does the spirit lead us," but, "How does this leading take place?" It is not done separate and apart from the Word of God but through the Word of God. Those who advocate for the Spirit leading us separate from the Word of God will tell you that if any leading of the Spirit is not in harmony with God's Word then it is not the Spirit of God. My question then is what is it? And, if the Spirit leads in some way separate and apart from God's Word but cannot speak anything that isn't in God's Word, why is the Spirit telling you and not telling everyone else? Or, why do we need the Bible at all? Yes, Paul said, "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed" (Galatians 1:8). Does this mean that an angel or even the Spirit would speak directly to us today? Paul supposes an impossibility in order to make his statement emphatic.

Jesus said, "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life" (John 6:63). He told the Apostles that He would send the Spirit...to teach them all things, to bring all things to their remembrance of what He had said, to testify of Him, and to guide them into all truth (John 14:26; 15:26; 16:13). Paul wrote, "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:13). What is the Spirit by which we are baptized? It is the teaching of the Spirit given to the apostles and that which we can read about in the Bible. Paul said further that the Spirit had revealed to him the knowledge of the mystery of Christ and he wrote those things down so that when we read we can have the same knowledge he had by inspiration (Ephesians 3:1-5).

Paul told Timothy that, "From childhood, you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:15-17). He also wrote to the church in Colosse that they should, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom" (Colossians 3:16).

God loves us and did not leave us with insufficient guidance or the need for some separate leading of a supernatural nature. "According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue" (2 Peter 1:3). So, study, pray, then worship and labor as a child of God till the day comes when we shall receive our eternal inheritance. Be faithful!



Church Calendar



Dooley Noted...



"The silver lining is always there in the darkest clouds. We need to be persistent and patient in the pursuit of the good that can always result from the most difficult times."-Tim



PRAYER LIST

Ernestine Dye had a kidney procedure in Oxford on Wednesday.
Leslie Reed, cousin of Christy Wall, has been released from Region One to her parent's home in Memphis, where she will continue outpatient burn care & rehab to walk again. Prayer for her recovery.
Georgia Shocklee, has covid. No results on biopsy, will see an oncologist this coming Tuesday.

Stephanie Simmons, at home recovering from knee surgery.

Cancer Patients: John Bodie; Ralph Clayton (father of Greg & Kurt); Lisa Newell (aunt of Jackson & Parker Formsma); Randy Reeder (son of Grace Lyon); Jessica Upchurch (daughter of John Bodie); William Wilson (brother of Gloria Jones); Bobby Owen (neighbor of Betty Young)

Continued Prayers for family and friends:

Shane Crotts (dialysis), **Grace Crotts** (Shane's mother), **Arelus Dye**, **Tonya Dillard**, **Prebble Foster**, **Alfred Jones** (brother of Perry Jones), **Gloria Jones**, **Gerald Jones** (stepfather of Kathy Dye) **Amanda Dye Martin** autoimmune disease (daughter of Tim & Kathy Dye); **Betty McNeely** (sister of Richard Jennings), **Corey Politte**, **April Pounders**, **Olivia Pounders**, **Leslie Reed** (cousin of Christy Wall), **Novene Robertson**, **Marty Stillman** guillain barre' (father of Ja Lyn Ormon); **Jackie Sweat** heart patient (aunt of Alyce Jennings), **Clemmer/Davis families**; **Donald Wilson** (diabetes),

Shut-Ins: Kathy Dye, Ernestine Dye, J.L. Eaton, Joe Reed, Rex & Jennie Bell

Nursing Home: **Majejan Dillard** (mother of Dean Dillard), **Lucille Gibson**, **Sue Marques**, **Sue Stroud**, **Bobbi Jean BoBo** (Hwy 178),

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

THANK YOU

Dear Christian Friends,
 Thank you for your gift to the Pine Vale Children's Home in memory of Carol Pettey Hood. She loved children and was thankful for the ministry of Pine Vale in providing a strong Christian environment for children who otherwise might not be exposed to that. Keep my family in your prayers.

Fred Hood

NEW ADDRESSES

Over the last few months we have had several families places membership. An insert of their addresses to place in your Directory is on the table in the foyer. Please add them to your Directory and send them notes of encouragement from time to time.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



September 13thGloria Jones
 September 16th.....Ryleigh Garrett
 September 17th.....Bill Frohn
 September 18th.....Reggie McWilliams
 September 23rd.....Shelly Clayton
 September 24thJennifer Greer
 September 28th.....Arelus Dye
 September 30th.....Victoria Brown

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

September 15thJerry & Eleta Grimmitt
 September 17thSteve & Lana Todd
 September 21st.....Jeffery & Catherina Coleman
 September 27th.....Clay & Ja Lyn Ormon

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

- Area Wide Youth Meeting at the Mayfield congregation in Saltillo @ 5:00. The van will leave at 4:15 pm.

JUNIOR BIBLE BOWL

- **Saturday, September 16**, New Albany will host the Junior Bible Bowl with a breakfast to follow in the fellowship building Questions are on the table in the foyer. For details, please see Greg Clayton.

SYMPATHY

We express our sincere sympathy to Benita Garner & family in the passing of her uncle, Willie Ed Brownlee, 78 yrs., on Thursday, September 7th. Arrangements are incomplete at this time.

FALL GOSPEL MEETING

Remember our Fall Meeting is coming up in a few weeks, October 1st-4th, @ 6:30 each night with Guest Speaker: David Powell. Please join us and invite your family and friends. Flyers are on the table in the foyer.

PINE VALE FALL PANTRY DRIVE

Pine Vale has requested we focus on supplying the following items for pickup the week of October 16th.

Toilet Tissue
 Chicken or Beef Broth
 Macaroni & Cheese

Please Remember Encouragement Cards in the Pew in Front of You

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- "Men's Coffee" each Thursday morning @ 7:00 a.m. at Two Sisters Diner.
- **Ladies Bible Class** each Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the annex building .
- **September 21st**, Men's Ministry meet at 7:00 pm in the annex building.
- **September 24th**, Monthly Youth Devo hosted by Mike & Janice Brown.
- **October 1st** , 1st Sunday Fellowship meal in the fellowship building.
- **October 8th**, Area Wide at Verona Church of Christ
- **October 21st** - Wiler/Dooley wedding at Mt. Sterling, Ohio.

YAHOO GROUP

The Yahoo Group will go to the Cotton Gin Café at West Union on Friday, **September 15th**. Please make plans to join us, it is always a fun time. The van will leave at 4:30 p.m.

FIRST SERMON OUTLINE

Keeping Christ As Your Focus

Colossians 1:13-23; 2:9-10

Tim Dooley

- I. CHRIST IS PREEMINENT (COLOSSIANS 1:15-17)
- A. Preeminent in the _____ (John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 1:1-2)
 - B. Preeminent in _____ (John 3:16; Luke 19:10; John 12:48; John 6:38; John 8:29; Hebrews 5:8-9)
 - C. Preeminent in His _____ (Colossians 1:18; Acts 20:28; Ephesians 5:23-25)
- II. WHY IS IT THAT CHRIST ISN'T PREEMINENT IN OUR LIVES?
- A. Why Doesn't He Have Preeminence in the _____?
 - B. Why Is He Not Allowed Preeminence in _____?
 - C. Why Is It He Does Not Have Preeminence in His _____ (John 17:14-16)?
- III. WHAT MUST WE DO TO PUT HIM BACK WHERE HE BELONGS?
- A. If the World Is Going to Elevate Him We Must _____ (Matthew 5:13-16).
 - B. Practical Suggestions for Putting Him Back on The Throne of Our Hearts:
 - 1. _____ Ourselves (1 Peter 5:5-6; James 4:6-10; Psalm 147:6)
 - 2. _____ (Acts 17:30; 2 Corinthians 7:10)
 - 3. Put Christ back at the _____ of our lives (Luke 6:46; Matthew 6:33; Hebrews 10:25; Acts 17:11; 2 Timothy 2:15; Romans 12:10)

Notes:

SECOND SERMON OUTLINE

The Gift of God

Romans 6:23

Tim Dooley

- I. We Must All Realize the Fix We Are In.
- A. A _____ Problem (Romans 3:10, 23)
 - B. Our _____ Sin (Ezekiel 18:20)
 - C. Sin Is _____ (1 John 3:4)
 - D. Sin Causes _____ (Isaiah 59:1-2; Proverbs 15:29; Jeremiah 5:25)
 - E. Sin _____ Us (Revelation 21:8)
- II. It Took God's Mercy and Grace to Get Us Out of The Fix.
- A. A _____ (Romans 11:26; Ephesians 4:8)
 - B. A _____ (Luke 2:11; Matthew 1:21; Luke 19:10)
 - C. A _____ (Romans 5:8-9; Hebrews 5:8-9)

Notes:

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- Food items for children at Myrtle School (Kurt)
- Supplies for Pine Vale; October Pickup (Kurt)
- Snack bags and activity books for dialysis center (Brian,
- Food items for children at local schools (Brian, Matt,
- Provide bags for foster children (Brian, Matt, Shane)
- Provide hygiene products for students. (Kevin)
- Caring for our church family, assist our elderly & shut-ins

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

LEAD SINGING.....Richard Jennings
 SONG.....604 Sunlight
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Dane Coggin
 OPENING PRAYER.....Mike Brown
 SONG.....984 We Bown Down
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley
 INVITATION SONG.....879 Morning Has Broken
 SONG.....653 The Way of the Cross
 LORD’S SUPPER.....Randy Wall, Kevin Simmons, Owen Clayton
 Kurt Clayton, Andy Brown, Jackson Coggin
 SONG.....268 I Gave My Life for Thee
 OFFERING.....Randy Wall, Kurt Clayton
 SONG.....273 I Know the Lord Will Find a Way
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Greg Clayton

DISMISS TO BIBLE CLASS 10:00 A.M.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Brian Carpenter
 LEAD SINGING.....Mark Jennings
 OPENING PRAYER.....Michael Dillard
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley
 CLOSING PRAYER.....David Clayton
 USHER.....Steve Hill/Kurt Clayton
 LOCK.....Kurt Clayton
 SECURITY.....Joe Owen
 GREETERS.....Jason & Amy Jennings

BIBLE STUDY— WEDESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH - 6:30 P.M.

SINGING.....Hunter Jennings
 OPENING PRAYER.....Perry Jones
 DEVOTIONAL.....Greg Clayton
 CLOSING PRAYR.....Clay Jennings

Sunday, September 17th, 2023

Greeters.....Mark & Alyce Jennings
 Announcements.....Brian Carpenter
 Singing.....Phillip Young
 Lord’s Super.....Randy Wall, Kevin Simmons, Owen Clayton; Kurt Clayton, Andy Brown, Jackson Coggin
 Scripture Reading.....Parker Formsma
 Opening Prayer.....Dillon Clayton
 Closing Prayer.....Ronnie Griggs
 Usher.....Steve Hill/Jason Jennings
 Lock.....Jason Jennings
 Security.....Richard Adams

Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.

Singing.....Richard Jennings
 Opening Prayer.....Tim Dye
 Closing Prayer.....Dan Cobb

Wednesday, September 20th, 2023

Singing.....Olen Clark
 Opening Prayer.....Paul Ormon
 Devotional.....Andy Brown
 Closing Prayer.....Matt Jennings

Sunday, September 24th, 2023

Greeters.....Randy & Amy English
 Announcements.....Brian Carpenter
 Singing.....Andy Brown
 Lord’s Super.....Randy Wall, Kevin Simmons, Owen Clayton; Kurt Clayton, Andy Brown, Jackson Coggin
 Scripture Reading.....Clayton Hill
 Opening Prayer.....Andy Clemmer
 Closing Prayer.....Jason Jennings
 Usher.....Steve Hill/Mark Jennings
 Lock.....Mark Jennings
 Security.....Greg Clayton

Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.

Singing.....Phillip Young
 Opening Prayer.....Bill Frohn
 Closing Prayer.....Martin Crotts

Wednesday, September 27th, 2023

Singing.....Conner Miller
 Opening Prayer.....Tim Dye
 Devotional.....Phillip Young
 Closing Prayer.....Joe Owen

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. Live Faithful (Revelation 2:10)

OUR RECORD

Week of 09/03/2023

Sunday School..... 147 (3)
 Sunday 1st Service.....141 (9)
 Sunday 2nd Service.....107 (0)
 Wednesday N/A (0)
 *(Online)
 Contribution..... \$6,015.25
 Budget.....\$5,124.00

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