



# THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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December 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

## Salvation in the Hands of God

Tim Dooley

After David sinned against God and Uriah with Uriah's wife Bathsheba he was approached by the prophet Nathan and told the story of a poor man who had a beloved lamb that was like a daughter to him. A rich neighbor was entertaining a stranger and instead of providing a lamb of his own, sent and took the poor man's lamb, killed it, and fed the traveler who had come into his house. David's anger was kindled and he declared that the rich man would die for his actions. To this Nathan replied, "You are the man!" (2 Samuel 12:1-7).

Soon after these events David sits down and penned Psalm 51 and acknowledged his sin before God. One of the characteristics that made David such a great man was his humility, along with his trust in the Lord. His love for God trumped everything else that he could have put his trust in. Whether it was sin, an enemy, or the betrayal of a friend, David put his hope and trust in the Lord. He knew that this is where salvation came from!

The truth is that we too must come to the same humble conclusion as David and place our trust and hope in the Lord. So many of us put our hopes in financial independence, luxuries of life, governments, armies, sinful pleasures, and even fleeting inanimate things such as time. Common sense, and God's word, tell us that such things are not lasting (James 4:14) and that what is really most important are the treasures we lay up for ourselves in heaven (Matthew 6:19-20).

There is no hope for any of us without Christ, for without him we are strangers to God and lost in our sins, separated from Him (Isaiah 59:1-2; Ephesians 2:12). There is no salvation outside of Christ Jesus (1 Timothy 1:1; Hebrews 6:18-19), only sorrow (1 Thessalonians 4:13). Hope came by the grace of God (2 Thessalonians 2:16; 1 Peter 1:21), is available through the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Colossians 1:23), and will be realized in eternal life at the resurrection and return of Jesus (Titus 1:2; 2:13; Titus 3:7).

Friends, we must humble ourselves and acknowledge our utter dependence on Jesus. Only then will peace, joy, and hope follow! Let us be faithful to the One in whose hands our eternal salvation depends. And let each of us hold fast to this hope (Hebrews 10:23).



"There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Ephesians 4:4-6).

## Dooley Noted...



Colleen and I want to thank each and every one of you for your love, encouragement, understanding, and support over the past three years. We are truly blessed by this family that you have so warmly welcomed us into and look forward to a lifetime here and in eternity with you.-Tim



Church Calendar



## PRAYER LIST

**Jo Ellen Carruth**, sister of Bill Frohn, has been diagnosed with multiple myeloma cancer.

**Shane Crofts** is scheduled Monday the 11th for lymph node biopsy, and is awaiting results of bone marrow biopsy.

**Arelus Dye** has appt. with doctors Dec. 8th to discuss treatment options of the lung mass Metastatic Carcinoma.

**Novene Robertson** had a knee nerve ablation on December 7th, and scheduled for another on December 15th;

### Cancer Patients:

**John Bodie; Lena Conner** (sister of Sue Marques), **Arelus Dye, Sandra Davis** (daughter of Betty Boren); **Georgia Shocklee** (recurring lymphoma); **Ralph Clayton** (father of Greg & Kurt); **Sherry Parker** (sister of Steve Todd); **Elizabeth Phagan** (sister of Bobby Marques), **Randy Reeder** (son of Grace Lyon); **William Wilson** (brother of Gloria Jones); **Bobby Owen** (neighbor of Betty Young)

### Continued Prayers for family and friends:

**Shane Crofts** (dialysis), **Grace Crofts** (Shane's mother), **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 Ponders, Olivia Ponders, Leslie Reed** (cousin of Christy Wall), **Marty Stillman** guillain barre' (father of Ja Lyn Ormon); **Jackie Sweat** heart patient (aunt of Alyce Jennings), **Brad Sloan (MS), Donald Wilson** (diabetes), **Dixie White, Clemmer/Davis families;**

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

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

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

## SYMPATHY

We wish to express our sympathy to Jackson and Parker Formsma in the passing of their aunt, *Lisa Joy Newell*, age 48, on December 2, 2023. Services honoring Lisa's life will be at 3:00 p.m. today, December 10th, at Ripley Primitive Baptist Church.

**CHRISTMAS KARAOKE NIGHT**

**DECEMBER 16 @ 5PM**

COME ENJOY A NIGHT OF FOOD AND FUN! SUPPER WILL BE PREPARED AND SERVED BY OUR YOUTH.

BE READY TO SING ALONG TO YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS TUNES!

SIGN UP IN FOYER BY DECEMBER 10.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



December 10th.....Maria Ormon  
December 13th.....Diana Foster  
December 13th.....Clayton Hill  
December 13th.....Anna Jennings  
December 14th.....Eleta Grimmitt  
December 14th.....Phillip Smith  
December 17th....Dana Holtzlander

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

December 12th.....Michael & Tonya Dillard  
December 12th.....David & Emily Wilhite  
December 13th.....Kerry & Lea Anne Gaillard  
December 17th.....Bill & Nancy Frohn  
December 26th.....Troy & Novene Robertson

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

- **CARE TEAM #4**, Kevin Simmons & Terry Stubblefield, will meet in the fellowship building following services today.

## LADIES TUESDAY BIBLE CLASS

You are invited to Janice Brown's home for lunch this coming Tuesday, **December 12th @ 11:30** for lunch. There will not be a class. We will resume class sometime in January (date to be determined). Look forward to seeing everyone there for food and fellowship.

## CARE TEAM #3

Care Team #3 (Steve & Lana Todd) will meet in the fellowship building on Wednesday, **December 20th @ 5:15 p.m.**

## MEN'S MINISTRY STUDY

Men's ministry study will meet Thursday, December 21st @ 7:00 p.m. in the annex building.

## CYC 2024

Today is the last day to sign up for CYC conference to be held February 23rd-25th, 2024 in Pigeon Forge, TN. There is a signup sheet in the foyer. Please see Greg & Kim Clayton for details.

**Please Remember Encouragement Cards in the Pew in Front of You**

## MARK YOUR 2024 CALENDAR

- "Men's Coffee" Thursday @ 7:00 a.m. at Two Sisters
- January 1st, 2024 - New Years Day 4-Wheeler Ride
- January 7th - 1st Sunday Fellowship Meal
- January 7th - Elders, Deacons & Minister Meet
- January 14th - Area Wide East Main Tupelo
- January 20th - Jr. Bible Bowl Antioch 9:00 A.M.
- January 28th - 4th Sunday Youth Devo @ Frohn's

**FIRST SERMON OUTLINE**

**Do I Have To?**

Matthew 19:16-22

Tim Dooley

- I. What You Do Not Have to Do
- A. Don't Have to \_\_\_\_\_ to or \_\_\_\_\_ God's Word (2 John 9–11; Deuteronomy 4:2; Proverbs 30:6; Revelation 22:18–19; 2 Timothy 4:2–5; Matthew 13:15; Acts 8)
  - B. Don't Have to \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 16:15–16; John 8:24)
  - C. Don't Have to \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 2:37–38; Acts 3:19; Acts 17:30; 8:22; Revelation 2:4–5)
  - D. Don't Have to \_\_\_\_\_ Christ On Earth (John 12:42; Romans 10:9–10; Matthew 10:32–33; Philippians 2:9–11)
  - E. Don't Have to Be \_\_\_\_\_ (John 3:5; Mark 16:16; 1 Peter 3:21; Galatians 3:27)
  - F. Don't Have to Be a \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Peter 4:17; 1 Corinthians 15:24)
  - G. Don't Have to \_\_\_\_\_ the Services (Hebrews 10:24–26; Acts 2:46)
  - H. Don't Have to Keep \_\_\_\_\_ (James 1:27; Romans 12:1–2)
  - I. Don't Have to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ Others Right (Matthew 7:12; 1 John 3:15)
  - J. You Don't Have to Ever Think About Your \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 16:26; Hebrews 5:8–9).
- II. Some Things You Will Have to Do: Can't Avoid Them.
- A. You Will Have to \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 9:27; 1 Corinthians 15:22)
  - B. Have to Be \_\_\_\_\_ (John 5:28–29)
  - C. Have to Be \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 17:30–31; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Romans 14:12)
  - D. Have to Go to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Thessalonians 1:7–9)
  - E. Have to Stay \_\_\_\_\_ in Your Chosen Destiny (Matthew 25:46)

**NOTES:**

**SECOND SERMON OUTLINE**

**Persistence is Not Enough**

2 Timothy 2:15

Tim Dooley

- I. One Cannot Know \_\_\_\_\_ or be \_\_\_\_\_ in Understanding
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ didn't believe this (Luke 1:3)
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_ didn't believe this (John 8:32)
- II. One Must Be Made \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ Jesus (Romans 3:24; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Colossians 1:28; John 8:24; 2 Peter 3:9; Matthew 10:32–33; Galatians 3:27)
- III. One Must Live \_\_\_\_\_ - Striving for Perfection (Revelation 2:10; Hebrews 10:23; Acts 18:24–26; Ephesians 5:14–17; 4:1–3; Colossians 1:10; 1 John 1:7; Romans 8:4)
- IV. Is This Concept \_\_\_\_\_ (John 14:15; 15:10; Hebrews 5:8–9; 2 John 1:9; Matthew 23:3)?

**NOTES:**

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

- Supplies for Pine Vale (Kurt)
- Snack bags and activity books for dialysis center (Brian, Matt, Shane)
- 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 (Kevin)
- Assist our elderly and shut-ins (Kevin)

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

LEAD SINGING.....Mike Brown  
 SONG.....866 I Will Call upon the Lord  
 SONG.....197 Have Thine Own Way, Lord  
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Owen Clayton  
 OPENING PRAYER.....Joe Owen  
 SONG.....825 I Love My Savior, Too  
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley  
 INVITATION SONG.....50 Are You Washed in the Blood?  
 SONG.....NIB) How Deep the Father’s Love  
 LORD’S SUPPER.....Steve Todd, Greg Clayton, Clayton Hill;  
 Jason Jennings, Clay Jennings, Bill Frohn  
 OFFERING.....Steve Todd/Jason Jennings  
 SONG.....NIB) Lord, Make Me a Servant  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Steve Hill

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Kevin Simmons  
 LEAD SINGING.....Andy Brown  
 OPENING PRAYER.....Thomas Wall  
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Richard Jennings  
 USHER.....Brian Carpenter/Andy Brown  
 LOCK.....Andy Brown  
 SECURITY.....Dane Coggin  
 GREETERS.....Randy & Amy English

**BIBLE STUDY— WEDESDAY, December 13th - 6:30 P.M.**

SINGING.....Hunter Jennings  
 OPENING PRAYER.....Phillip Young  
 DEVOTIONAL.....Ricky Adams  
 CLOSING PRAYR.....Andy Brown

**Sunday, December 17th, 2023**

Greeters.....Dane & Amanda Coggin  
 Announcements.....Kevin Simmons  
 Singing.....Mark Jennings  
 Lord’s Supper...**Steve Todd**, Greg Clayton,  
 Clayton Hill; **Jason Jennings**,  
 Clay Jennings, Bill Frohn  
 Scripture Reading.....Dane Coggin  
 Opening Prayer.....Clint Stroupe  
 Closing Prayer.....Matt Jennings  
 Usher.....Brian Carpenter/Dane Coggin  
 Lock.....Dane Coggin  
 Security.....Jason Jennings

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

Singing.....Mike Brown  
 Opening Prayer.....Richard Adams  
 Closing Prayer.....Conner Miller

**Wednesday, December 20th, 2023**

Singing.....Dillon Clayton  
 Opening Prayer.....Andy Clemmer  
 Devotional.....Terry Stubblefield  
 Closing Prayer.....Olen Clark

**Sunday, December 24th, 2023**

Greeters.....Richard & Kathy Jennings  
 Announcements.....Kevin Simmons  
 Singing.....Richard Jennings  
 Lord’s Supper...**Steve Todd**, Greg Clayton,  
 Clayton Hill; **Jason Jennings**,  
 Clay Jennings, Bill Frohn  
 Scripture Reading.....David Clayton  
 Opening Prayer.....Phil Young  
 Closing Prayer.....Troy Robertson  
 Usher.....Brian Carpenter/Mark Jennings  
 Lock.....Mark Jennings  
 Security.....Mark Jennings

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

Singing.....Mark Jennings  
 Opening Prayer.....Mason Simmons  
 Closing Prayer.....Paul Ormon

**Wednesday, December 27th, 2023**

Singing.....Clay Jennings  
 Opening Prayer.....Dillon Clayton  
 Devotional.....  
 Closing Prayer.....Dan Cobb

**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 12/03/2023**

Sunday School.....143 (8)  
 Sunday 1st Service.....140 (15)  
 Sunday 2nd Service.....139 (10)  
 Wednesday.....121 (2)  
 \*(Online)  
 Contribution.....\$6,523.00  
 Budget.....\$5,124.00

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