

# THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi www.nacoc.us June 29, 2025

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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

### **OFFICE**

Office......662-534-4649

### **ELDERS**

| Greg Clayton     | 662-252-9762 |
|------------------|--------------|
| Tim Dye          | 662-316-2527 |
| Richard Jennings | 662-316-1305 |
| Phil Young       | 662-316-2059 |

### **DEACONS**

**Kurt Clayton**......662-316-6420-Benevolence; Pine Vale; Mission Work/ Outreach

Steve Hill.....662-316-5193 -Care
Groups; New Members; Visitors
Jason Jennings.....662-801-3260Security Qualifications; CYC
Registration; Maintenance and Grounds
Mark Jennings.....731-609-3309Fellowship/Special Day; Maintenance;
Seniors; Security Qualifications

**Zack Mayer**—662-551-8291—Youth; (CYC & EYC Registration/Planning)

**Kevin Simmons**.... 662-512-8451 -Education; VBS; Ladies Ministry; Mission Work/Outreach

Randy Wall..... 662-316-9255-Fellowship/Special Days; Maintenance

## The Purpose of a Dog

(according to a 4-year old)

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife Lisa, and their little boy Shane, were all very attached to Belker and they were hoping for good news.

I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to preform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home.

As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for their four-year old son Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience.

The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away. The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion.

We sat together for awhile after Belker's death, wondering aloud the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives. Shane, who had been listening quietly piped up, "I know why." Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. He said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life, like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The four -year old continued, "Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."

Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly.

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### **CHURCH CALENDAR**







### **Prayers**



Nicholas Thomas Jones, Perry Jones grandson, at this writing is still in the hospital but hopes to go home on Friday.

Clint Stroupe's mother, Donna Daniel, is at her daughter's home. She has been placed under Hospice Care.

Continued Prayers: John Bodie, Betty Boren, Brian Carpenter, Roger Clayton, Shane Crotts, Tonya Dillard, Arelus Dye, Ernestine Dye, Kathy Dye, Jennifer Greer, Matt Jennings, Peggy Miller, Corey Politte, Terry Renfrow, Austin and Haley Wilson, Clemmer and Davis Families

### **Continued Prayers for family and friends:**

Heather Adams, (Stephanie Simmons's sister); Jo Ellen Carruth (Bill Frohn's sister); Judy Gurley, (Dana Holztlander's mother); Brenda Jones (Kathy Dye's mother); Amanda Dye Martin (Tim & Kathy Dye's daughter); William Wilson, Mary Williams, (Gloria Jones' brother & sister);

**Shut-Ins:** Kathy Dye, Novene Robertson

NA Health and Rehab: Sue Marques, Sue Stroud

Helen Stubblefield (Terry Stubblefield's mother) Church St. Manor, Ecru

**Sue Renfrow** (Terry Renfrow's mother) Allen, TX **Ruby Evans** (Pam Renfrow's mother) Beaver Dam, Ky **Joy Simmons** is in assisted living at the Dogwood Plantations.

IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY: Derek Bradley, Zakaria
Bradley

Our VBS will soon be here (July 20-23). We need teachers and helpers. There is a sign up sheet in the foyer, please sign up soon so we can make plans to have a great VBS!!

### THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you so much for the diaper & wipes shower that you gave me! Your kindness and generosity is so appreciated.

In Christian Love, Carlisle Smithey

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you for all the cards, gifts, texts, and most importantly prayers during my continued health issues. Please continue to keep me in your prayers. We are so blessed to have a wonderful church family!

Love,

Michael and Jennifer Greer

### YAHOO GROUP

On Friday, July 11th, the Yahoo Group will be going to Nate's in Ecru for dinner at 5:00PM. If you plan to attend please sign the list in the foyer so we will know how many places to reserve. It is always a fun time when we get together, so please plan to join us!

# ENDING JUNE BIRTHDAYS & JULY BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 26-Shelby Carpenter | 20-Molly Clayton      |  |
| 29-Deborah Griffin  | 21-Cayden Rogers      |  |
|                     | 22-Michael Dillard    |  |
| <u>July</u>         | 22-Hunter Jennings    |  |
| 2—Karen Botts       | 22-Matt Jennings      |  |
| 9—Arianna Golden    | 22-Townsend McGraw    |  |
| 9—Kevin Harris      | 23-Christy Phillips   |  |
| 9—Brad Sloan        | 26-Shavon McWilliams  |  |
| 12-Kim Mayer        | 26-Meadow Mae Politte |  |
| 12-Millie Owen      | 27-Dixie White        |  |

### **ENDING JUNE ANNIVERSARIES &**

26-Michael & Jennifer Greer

30-Ricky & Betty Adams

14-Steve Hill

15-Bryn Manning

30– Phil & Paige Young

**JULY** 

1-Steve and Andrea Hill 7-Brian and Shelby

Carpenter

9-Joe and Bonnie Owen 11-Tyler and Courtney

Mayer

31-Kerry Gaillard

31-Preston Jones

12-Clint and Dawn Stroupe

14-Perry and Gloria Jones

25-Bobby and Sue Marques

### HAPPENINGS TODAY

Adam Libby will be our speaker today for both services.

Monthly Youth Devo will be at Kerry and Lea Anne 's home this afternoon at 5:00 PM Girls bring desserts and boys bring drink.

### Wednesday Devotional July 2

### **Richard Jennings**



### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- Men's Coffee every Thursday Morning at 7AM at Two Sister's Diner
- June 29 Youth Devo—Lea Anne and Kerry Gaillard's 5:00 PM—girls bring desserts and boys bring drinks.
- July 6—First Sunday Fellowship Meal

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

# **FORGIVENESS**

| 1. 5 q    | uestions:   |  |  |
|-----------|---|--|--|
| 1.        | Why is it soto forgive others?  |  |  |
| 2.        | Why is itto forgive   |  |  |
| 3         | others? How do we forgive others?                                       |  |  |
|           | How do we forgive   |  |  |
| 5.        | others? What are some signs that we are doing a                         |  |  |
|           | poor job at forgiving others?   |  |  |
| 1.        | It doesn't matter who you are or what you have done, God wants          |  |  |
|           | ·   |  |  |
| 2.        | "For if you forgive others their trespass es, your heavenly Father will |  |  |
|           | , but if you do not   |  |  |
|           | forgive others their trespasses, neither                                |  |  |
|           | will your Father forgive your trespass                                  |  |  |
|           | es." Matthew 6:14-15  |  |  |
| 3.        | First, we need to show the same   |  |  |
|           | we have been shown.   |  |  |
|           | "and if he sins against you seven times                                 |  |  |
|           | in the day, and turns to you seven                                      |  |  |
|           | times, saying 'I re pent,' you must" Luke 17:4                          |  |  |
| One of tl | ne key things that will tell us if someone                              |  |  |
| has       | forgiven someone is by their  |  |  |
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# **PARABLE OF THE TENANTS:**

# **Matthew 21:33-46**

| 1.         | Who are the tenants?   |
|------------|--|
| 2.         | Who does the son represent?                                      |
| 3.         | One lesson for the chief priests and Pharisees is that they      |
| 4.         | Where is one passage where Jesus calls the Pharisees hypocrites? |
| 5.         | We must keep the masters in mind.                                |
| 6.         | When we aren't planting seeds, we may be like fruit.             |
| 7.         | We must in Him.  |
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Please Remember "Encouragement Cards" in the Pew in Front of You

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|---|----------------------------------|---|
| WORSHIP SUNDAY-FIRS                     | Sunday, July 6, 2025             |   |
| LEAD SINGING                            | David Clayton                    | GreetersRichard & Kathy Jennings SingingMike Brown                                |
| SONG                                    | <b>523</b> "Our God He is Alive" | Opening PrayerRicky Adams   |
| SONG588                                 |                                  | Scripture ReadingDean Dillard   |
| OPENING PRAYER                          | ,                                | Sermon  |
| <b>SONG</b>                             |                                  | Lord's Supper: N/Dillon Clayton, Justin Elliott, Jeffrey Coleman; S/Greg Clayton, |
| SCRIPTURE READING                       |                                  | Kurt Clayton, Randy English   |
| SERMON                                  | Ÿ                                | Closing PrayerBill Botts  |
| INVITATION SONG                         | ·                                | UsherBrian Carpenter/Mark Jennings  |
| <b>SONG</b>                             | e                                | LockMark Jennings SecurityPhillip Young   |
| ·                                       |                                  | Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.  |
| LORD'S SUPPER N/Zack May                |                                  | SingingDavid Clayton  |
| 1                                       | ton- Paul Ormon, Joe Owen        | Opening PrayerTravis Harden   |
| OFFERING                                |                                  | Sermon  |
| SONG                                    | · ·                              | AnnouncementsGreg Clayton   |
| CLOSING PRAYER                          | ·                                | Closing PrayerGreg Clayton Wednesday Night July 9, 2025 6:30 PM                   |
| DISMISS TO BIBLE CLAS                   | SS 10:00 A.M.                    |   |
| WORSHIP SUNDAY-SECON                    | ND SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.          | SingingHunter Jennings Opening PrayerTim Dye                                      |
|   |                                  | DevotionalSteve Hill  |
| LEAD SINGING                            | Dillon Clayton                   | Closing PrayerMartin Crotts   |
| OPENING PRAYER                          | Mike Brown                       | <b>Sunday</b> , July 13, 2025   |
| SERMON                                  | Adam Libby                       | GreetersGreg & Kim Clayton  |
| ANNOUNCEMENTS                           | Tim Dye                          | SingingMark Jennings  |
| CLOSING PRAYER                          | Tim Dye                          | Opening PrayerAndy Clemmer  |
| USHER                                   | Travis Harden: /Zack Mayer       | Scripture ReadingOwen Clayton   |
| LOCK                                    | Zack Mayer                       | Sermon  |
| SECURITY                                | Randy Wall                       | Lord's Supper N/Dillon Clayton, Justin  |
| BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDA                    | · ·                              | Elliott, Jeffrey Coleman; <b>S/Greg Clayton</b> ,<br>Kurt Clayton, Randy English  |
| SINGING                                 | · ·                              | Closing PrayerOlen Clark  |
| OPENING PRAYER                          | ·                                | UsherBrian Carpenter/Jason Jennings   |
| DEVOTIONAL                              |                                  | LockJason Jennings  |
|   | · ·                              | SecurityJoe Owen  |
| CLOSING PRAYERAndy Clemmer              |                                  | Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.  |
|   |                                  | SingingMike Brown   |
| What Must I Do To Be Saved?             | OUR RECORD                       | Opening Prayer Steve Hill   |
| 1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17)    | WEEK 06/22/2025                  | SermonTim Dye   |
| 2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7)       | Sunday School119                 | Closing Prayer Tim Dye  |
| 3. Repent of Sins (Acts 3:19)           | Sunday 1st Service 140           | Wednesday Night July 16, 2025—6:30PM  |
| 4. Confess Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37)  | Sunday 2nd Service122            | SingingDillon Clayton   |
| 5. Be Baptized for the Remission of     | Wednesday110                     | Opening PrayerHunter Jennings   |
| Sins (Acts 2:38)                        | Contribution\$ 5,712.00          | DevotionalPaul Ormon  |
| 6. Live Faithful Life (Revelation 2:10) | Budget\$ 6,450.00                | Closing Prayer Ronnie Griggs  |
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