



# THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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July 13, 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.....662-801-3260-  
Security Qualifications; CYC  
Registration; Maintenance and Grounds  
Mark Jennings.....731-609-3309-  
Fellowship/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

## “A Little Neglect May Breed Great Mischief”

THE END OF NEGLIGENCE—James 4:17

These were the words of warning from Poor Richard. He went on to show how im-portant it is to take care of matters and meet needs in a timely fashion. He gave a brief sce-nario showing how neglect can cause ruin: “For want of a nail the shoe was lost; for want of a shoe the horse was lost; and for want of a horse the rider was lost; being overtaken and slain by the enemy; all for want of a little care about a horseshoe nail!”

No doubt you have noticed how rapidly a house goes to ruin almost immediately after the occupants move from the premises and it is left unoccupied. My observation has been over the past five decades that hearts and lives are the same. There was a concert violinist who was asked how she became so skilled, she replied, “It was planned neglect.” She planned to neglect anything that was not related to her goal. It might be well for all of us to exercise a little planned neglect. That merely means making time for things of God but ne-glecting other things that we know can harm us spiritually.

It would appear that avoidance of neglect is closely related to exercising discipline. We make choices and our choices make us. Everyone is always looking for the shortcut. We want to lose weight but don’t want to modify our eating or by all means we don’t want to exercise. Success in anything can only come when we turn away from that which would hurt us spiritually and embrace what would help us. It is cutting free from anything that would slow us down and get a grasp of anything that would speed up our progress. Paul ex-plaind this theory to young Timothy, “*Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart*” (2 Tim. 2:22). When we feel as though we have somehow arrived—or have somewhat reached a plateau where we don’t need to practice the Christian basics anymore—it the moment that we enter a spiritual dan-ger zone. We must give the more earnest heed to the things we have learned lest we drift away! (Heb. 2:1). A legitimate question was asked, “*How can we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?*” (Heb. 2:3).

We might ask, “Is our mind stayed on God or is it starved?” Starvation of the mind is caused by neglect and is one of the chief sources of exhaustion and weakness in a servant’s life. We must strive to “*bring every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ...*” (2 Cor. 10:5). Our thoughts when developed properly come from God and our minds will not be at the mercy of our impulsive thinking, but will always be used in service to God.

Mike King





## Prayers



**Grace Lyon fell** Friday and broke her hip. She is scheduled for surgery Saturday. She is in Union County Memorial Hospital.

**Richard Jennings** will have a pacemaker placed on July 14th..

**Robert Dean New**, grandfather of Raegan Potts, will have a biopsy of his liver on July 17. Please keep him in your prayers as he has already had melanoma in his eye.

Sympathy is extended to **Clint Stroupe** and his family due to the death of his mother, Ms Donna Daniel.

**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); **Donna Daniel**, Clint Stoupe's mother; **Judy Gurley**, (Dana Holztlander's mother); **Brenda Jones** (Kathy Dye's mother); **Nicholas Thomas Jones**, grandson of Perry Jones; **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, Ecu

**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.

### FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Our next Sunday's fellowship meal will be August 10th. This will be Daniel Manning's (our new minister), first day with us. Please reserve this date and make plans to welcome him and his family. To welcome them, we would ask everyone who would purchase a gift card from wherever you would like and whatever amount you choose place your card in the box in the foyer any time prior to the 10th of August.

### WELCOME

We are happy to announce that Tyler and Heather Boyd placed membership with us last Sunday. We welcome Tyler, Heather, Elijah (9) and Rivers (7) and look forward to worshipping and working with them. Please meet them and welcome them.



## JULY BIRTHDAYS



2— Karen Botts	22-Michael Dillard
9—Arianna Golden	22-Hunter Jennings
9—Kevin Harris	22-Matt Jennings
9—Brad Sloan	22-Townsend McGraw
12-Kim Mayer	23-Christy Phillips
12-Millie Owen	26-Shavon McWilliams
14-Steve Hill	26-Meadow Mae Politte
15-Bryn Manning	27-Dixie White
17-Kylie Brock	31-Kerry Gaillard
20-Molly Clayton	31-Preston Jones
21-Cayden Rogers	

### JULY ANNIVERSARIES

1-Steve and Andrea Hill	12-Clint and Dawn Stroupe
7-Brian and Shelby Carpenter	14-Perry and Gloria Jones
9-Joe and Bonnie Owen	25-Bobby and Sue Marques
11-Tyler and Courtney Mayer	

### HAPPENINGS TODAY

Kevin Simmons will speak at the AM service, Andy Clemmer will speak at the PM service.

Several of our youth will be leaving for Maywood Christian Camp today.

### WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONAL July 16

Paul Ormon

### THANK YOU

We received a thank you note from Terry Renfrow thanking us for our prayers and concerns during his health test and health issues the past months. The test results were all good. Our prayers continue for him.

### VBS

Our VBS starts next Sunday, at 6:30 to 8:30 PM. All ages sixth grade and under are welcome to attend. Be inviting children to attend.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Men's Coffee every Thursday Morning at 7am at Two Sister's Diner
- Fabulous Friday every Friday through July (6th grade and under)
- 7-13– 7-19 Maywood Christian Camp
- 7-20– Monthly Singing at New Albany Health and Rehab at 2:00 PM Care Team 2—Travis Harden's Team
- 7-20 — 7-23 VBS from 6:30-8:30 pm ALL CHILDREN FROM CRADDLE ROLL– 6TH GRADE ARE INVITED!!!!
- 7-30 — 5th Wednesday Night Singing at the Fellowship Building

**GUARDING THE TRUTH IN THE TIME OF  
DECEPTION**

**2 Peter 2:1-3**

**The reality of False Teachers**

Jeremiah 23:16 –

The historical pattern – Just as there were false prophets in Israel, there will be false teachers in the \_\_\_\_\_

Secretly infiltrate the church introducing \_\_\_\_\_ doctrine

Application – We must be \_\_\_\_\_ and discerning (1 John 4:1)

**False Doctrine is not a new phenomenon**

2 Peter 1:20-21

The Bible is the inspired word of \_\_\_\_\_

God is the standard not man, or any institution

**Influence of False Teaching**

Widespread Deception that often appeals to the masses

Moral corruption

Damage to the Gospel – the way of truth will be blasphemed

We must live \_\_\_\_\_ lives that reflect the truth we preach (Titus 2:7-8)

**The Motivation Behind False Teaching**

Greed and Exploitation: False teachers are driven by covetousness, not the love of \_\_\_\_\_

Deceptive Words: They use smooth, persuasive speech to manipulate and twist the gospel

Judgement is Certain- Their Condemnation is certain – God will judge them

We must teach the truth, not for gain (1 Peter 5:2-3)

**NOTES:**

**"I HAVE SET THE LORD ALWAYS BEFORE  
ME"**

**Psalms 16:8**

**I. SET THE LORD BEFORE YOU  
THROUGH GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_.**

Let \_\_\_\_\_ Help You Draw Close  
To God.

Psa. 19:1-2, Psa. 68:8

**II. SET THE LORD BEFORE YOU  
THROUGH GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_.**

God's Word Provides The \_\_\_\_\_  
Of Who He Is

And His Will.

1 Cor. 2:10-12; 2 Tim. 3:16-17

**III. SET THE LORD BEFORE YOU  
THROUGH YOUR \_\_\_\_\_.**

A Close Relationship Must Be A  
\_\_\_\_\_ Street.

Phil. 4:6-7; Heb. 4:15-16

**IV. SET THE LORD BEFORE YOU  
THROUGH YOUR \_\_\_\_\_.**

Strength Comes From \_\_\_\_\_  
Together.

Ecc. 4:9-12; Heb. 3:13

The \_\_\_\_\_ Found Strength  
by Assembling Together.

Acts 4:23 Ac 12:12

“In Your presence is fullness of joy;

At Your right hand are pleasures forever-  
more.”

**Psa. 16:11**

**NOTES:**

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

Singing.....	Richard Jennings
Opening Prayer.....	Mark Jennings
Devotional.....	Greg Clayton
Closing Prayer.....	Matt Jennings

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