

THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi July 20, 2025 www.nacoc.us

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;

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

(CYC & EYC Registration/Planning)

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

Wide Open

Gwin, Greg

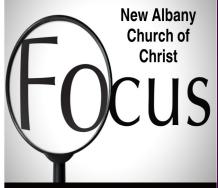
The apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians with the news that he intended to visit them. However, his visit would be delayed because he was pursuing opportunities in Ephesus. He said: "I shall come to you after I go through Macedonia . . . and perhaps I shall stay with you, or even spend the winter . . . if the Lord permits. But I shall remain in Ephesus until Pentecost; for a wide door for effective service has opened to me, and there are many adversaries" (1 Corinthians 16:5-9).

Notice, especially, that Paul perceived great prospects in Ephesus. He could see a tremendous potential for "effective service." Did he mean that everyone in that city was eagerly receiving the gospel message? Was everyone anxious to hear the truths that Paul was preaching? Could it be that the whole city might be converted to Christ?

The answers to these questions -NO! In fact, during this visit to Ephesus a riot broke out in opposition to what Paul was preaching. Demetrius, a silversmith who made shrines to the idol goddess Diana, led a great uprising. "The whole city was filled with confusion," and some of the disciples were taken captive. Paul's own personal safety was at risk (Acts 19:23ff).

When Paul wrote about that "wide door for effective service," he also knew that "there are many adversaries." He was not blind to the dangers that surrounded him, but he was still excited about the good that could be accomplished.

The lesson for us is this: the reality of opposition does not diminish the potential for good and effective work. There never has **New Albany** been, and never will be, a time when God's truth and His people Church of are unopposed. Even in adversity we need to be looking for Christ "open doors" for proclaiming the Word. Don't wait for the perfect situation. Don't hesitate because of "adversaries." There is much to do and doors of opportunity are 'wide open' for the gospel. Think!





Prayers



JULY BIRTHDAYS



Amber Harden is in Tupelo hospital room 278, She had surgery Friday to implant a defibrillator. Hopefully she will be coming home today or tomorrow.

Grace Lvon has been moved to the Union County Rehab on Bratton Road for rehab. Room #404.

Richard Jennings surgery went well and he is able to be back with

Robert Dean New, grandfather of Raegan Potts, had a biopsy of his liver this week. He will get the results of testing in two weeks.

Prayers: John Bodie, Betty Boren, Shane Crotts, Tonya Dillard, Arelus Dye, Ernestine Dye, Kathy Dye, Jennifer Greer, Matt Jennings, Corey Politte, 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); 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, 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.

VBS

VBS begins today, at 6:30 to 8:30 PM. All ages sixth grade and under are welcome to attend. Invite your friends and families.

WELCOME

Just a few more weeks and Daniel Manning and his family will be here. Our monthly fellowship meal will be on Sunday, August 10th. Please make every effort to attend. To welcome the Manning family we will give them gift cards. Please pick up a gift card from your favorite place. Amount is up to you. Place the card in the box in the foyer before Aug. 10th.

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 21-Cayden Rogers

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

31-Preston Jones

1-Steve and Andrea Hill 12-Clint and Dawn Stroupe

7-Brian and Shelby 14-Perry and Gloria Jones Carpenter

9-Joe and Bonnie Owen

11-Tyler and Courtney

Mayer

25-Bobby and Sue Marques

HAPPENINGS TODAY

Phillip Hines will be our speaker for both services.

Monthly Singing at New Albany Health and Rehab. Team #2 -Travis Harden's team will be hosting, Please make plans to attend this great service to the residents there.

VBS begins tonight at 6:30-8:30. Come and don't forget to invite your friends?

WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONAL July 23

Tim Dye

Out of the Mouth of Babes

Shadrach, Meshach and a billy goat were thrown into a

There was tennis in the Bible. It says Joseph served in Pharaoh's court.

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)
- 7-20 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!!!!
- 7-25— There will be a "Lock In" this Friday evening for the 7th grade and up at the fellowship building
- beginning at 7:30 PM till 8:00 AM
- 7-27- All are invited to a skating party Sunday, July 27, at the Pontotoc skating rink, from 4:30-6:30.
- 7-30 5th Wednesday Night Singing at the Fellowship Building

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

God's Text Message

Psalm 119:105

A. The Bible Tells Us What to

"Your word is a <u>lamp</u> to my <u>feet</u>"

Luke 24:27; Matthew 16:6

B. The Bible Tells Us How

"A light to my path"

Psalm 37:23; Proverbs 2:20; Psalm 119:9,11,133

NOTES:

How Could a Loving God Send People to Hell?

2 Peter 3:7-9

- A. Is There a Place Called Hell? Matthew 5:22, 29-30; 13:42; 25:46
- **B.** Could a Loving God Send People to Hell?

"Loving"

1 John 4:8-10; John 3:16;

2 Corinthians 5:21

"Send"

"People"

Matthew 25:41; Acts 11:13-14

NOTES:

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

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WORSHIP SUNDAY-FIRS	ST SERVICE - 9:00 A.M.	Sunday, July 27, 2025 Greeters
LEAD SINGING	Richard Jennings	SingingPhillip Young
SONG	160 "Glory to His Name"	Opening PrayerZack Mayer
SONG	473 "Oh How I Love Jesus"	Scripture ReadingConner Miller
OPENING PRAYER	Jason Jennings	SermonJay Justin
SONG	=	Lord's Supper: N/Dillon Clayton,Justin Elliott, Jeffrey Coleman;
SCRIPTURE READING		S/Greg Clayton, Kurt Clayton,
SERMON	· ·	Randy English
INVITATION SONG	_	Closing PrayerDan Cobb UsherBrian Carpenter/Kevin Simmons
SONG	·	LockKevin Simmons
LORD'S SUPPER N/Dillon Clayton, Justin Elliott, Jeffrey Coleman;		SecuritySteve Hill
		Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.
S/Greg Clayton, Kurt Clayton, Randy English OFFERINGDillon Clayton \ Greg Clayton		SingingRichard Jennings
	, o	Opening PrayerCasey Mayer SermonPatrick Chapman
SONG		Announcements
CLOSING PRAYER	•	Closing PrayerPhil Young
DISMISS TO BIBLE CLASS 10:00 A.M.		Wednesday Night July 30, 2025 6:30 PM
WORSHIP SUNDAY-SECON	ND SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.	SingingRichard Jennings
		Opening PrayerMark Jennings
LEAD SINGING	· ·	DevotionalGreg Clayton
OPENING PRAYER	· ·	Closing Prayer
SERMON	Phillip Hines	Sunday, August 3, 2025 Greeters
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Richard Jennings	Singing
CLOSING PRAYER	Richard Jennings	Opening Prayer
USHER	Brian Carpenter/Randy Wall	Scripture Reading
LOCK	Randy Wall	Sermon
SECURITY	Dan Cobb	Lord's Supper N/S/
BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY—July 23 —-6:30 PM		Closing Prayer
SINGINGDavid Clayton		Usher
OPENING PRAYER	Mike Brown	Lock
DEVOTIONAL	Tim Dve	Security
	ř	Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.
CLOSING PRAYERClay Jennings		Singing Opening Prayer
		Sermon
What Must I Do To Be Saved?	OUR RECORD	Announcements
1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17)	WEEK 07/13/2025	Closing Prayer
2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7)	Sunday School112	Wednesday Night August 6, 2025—6:30PM
3. Repent of Sins (Acts 3:19)	Sunday 1st Service 153	Singing
4. Confess Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37)	Sunday 2nd Service 125	Opening Prayer
5. Be Baptized for the Remission of	Wednesday	Devotional
Sins (Acts 2:38)	Budget\$ 6,450.00	Closing Prayer
6. Live Faithful Life (Revelation 2:10)		

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