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# THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

August 3, 2025

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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

## OFFICE

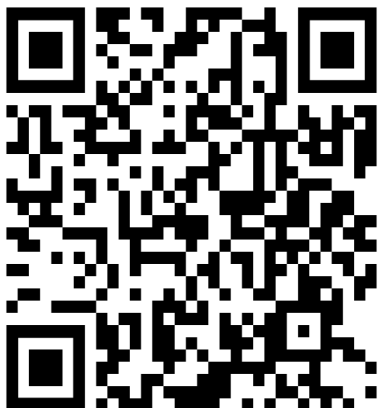
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## ELDERS

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



## PROPERLY PLACED ASSURANCES

Josh Blackmer

Paul, in his address to the Areopagus, spoke of the need for all men to repent and that a day has been appointed for judgment; those statements came with the assurance or proof in the resurrection of the Christ (**Acts 17:30-31**). We overlook the gift of having an assurance from God. We want assurances when it comes to things we buy or promises made. With God, these assurances are a blessing.

We can come to realize this assurance as Christians. It is produced by faith as we “draw near with a true heart in full assurance” (**Heb. 10:22**). It is made complete in hope. “Show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end” (**Heb. 6:11**). It is confirmed by love. “Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him” (**1 John 3:18-19**). It is the effect of righteousness. “And the effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever” (**Isa. 32:17**). It is made abundant in an understanding of the Gospel, “that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God’s mystery, which is Christ” (**Col. 2:2**).

We are not just given assurances about judgment. God has made assurances about many things. We have the promise of our election (**1 Thess. 1:4**), our redemption (**Job 19:25**), our adoption (**1 John 3:2**), our salvation (**Isa. 12:2**), of eternal life (**1 John 5:13**), the great love of God (**Rom. 8:38-39**), union with God and Christ (**Eph. 5:30**), peace with God (**Rom. 5:1**), the preservation of God (**2 Tim. 1:12**), answered prayer (**1 John 3:22**), comfort in affliction (**Psa. 73:26**), support in death (**Psa. 23:4**), resurrection (**Psa. 17:15**), and a crown of life (**Jas. 1:12**). We can rely on these promises “without wavering, for he who promised is faithful” (**Heb. 10:23**).

There have been others who relied on the divine assurances of God. David spoke of his assurance that God was guiding him to glory (**Psa. 73:24-26**). Paul was confident in God’s deliverance and preservation during his trials. “The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen” (**2 Tim. 4:18**).

Every saint should strive to arrive at this assurance to make your calling and election sure (**2 Pet. 1:10-11**). We should do all we can to “hold fast the beginning of our assurance firm until the end” (**Heb. 3:14**). “Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward” (**Heb. 10:35**). Rest and take comfort in the assurances the God has granted to us.



## Prayers



**Prayers:** John Bodie, Betty Boren, Shane Crotts, Tonya Dillard, Arelus Dye, Ernestine Dye, Kathy Dye, Jennifer Greer, Amber Harden, Matt Jennings, Grace Lyon, Corey Politte, Stephanie Simmons, 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); **Robert New**, (Raegan Potts' grandfather); **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

**Joy Simmons** is in assisted living at the Dogwood Plantations.

**IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY:** Derek Bradley, Zakaria Bradley

### FELLOWSHIP /WELCOME MEAL

Just 1 more week and Daniel, Bryn, (daughters Robin and Sydney), Manning, will be worshipping with us. Our monthly fellowship meal will be August 10th. Please make every effort to attend and welcome the Mannings. (As a welcome gift), bring a gift card from anywhere you would like, for any amount. Place your gift card in the box in the foyer under the information board. Please do this BEFORE August 10th if possible.

### ELDER'S MEETING

There will be an elder's meeting on August 10th at 1:15 PM, immediately after the fellowship meal.

### WEEKLY INFORMER

If you would like to receive the church's weekly Informer by email, please see Janice Cobb. The bulletin is usually emailed on Friday or Saturday of each week. It will still be available on Sunday services.

### YAHOO GROUP

Make plans to go to Kurt's Grill on Hwy 4 from Ripley on Friday, August 15th. Sign up sheet is available.



## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



5-Martin Crotts

6- Ricky Adams

6- Joe Owen

8- Kathy Jennings

10-Sue Stroud

12-Bailey Mayer

13-Ronnie Griggs, Sr.

15-Jessica Garrett

19-Kim Clayton

20-Phillip Young

22-Ashley Kelly

29-Terry Renfrow

29-Georgia Shocklee

29-Dawn Stroupe

29-Haley Wilson

30-Richard Adams

30-Alyce Jennings

30-Troy Robertson

31-Cade Carpenter

### AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

18-Shane & Barbara Crotts

21-Roger & Kathy

### HAPPENINGS TODAY

Mark Neaves will be our speaker for both services.

### WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONAL AUGUST 6

Clay Ormon

### THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for all the calls, texts, visits, food, and most definitely your prayers. We are so fortunate to be a part of this church family and every one of you guys. Once again thank you and stay blessed!

### SIGN UP SHEET

There is a sign up sheet in the foyer for the ladies who would like to go to Antioch Church of Christ for their Ladies' Day on Saturday, August 16. There is a flyer on the bulletin board concerning this event. Please sign up as soon as possible so we can send them a count.

### 1 PETER 5:6-7

*Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.*

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Men's Coffee every Thursday Morning at 7am at Two Sister's Diner
- Aug 5—Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class -10 am - in the annex. Our study will be the book of Galatians.
- Aug 10—Fellowship/ Welcome Meal//Elders Meeting @ 1:15 PM
- Aug 10— Area Wide at Mayfield 5:00 PM
- Aug 15— Yahoo Group Outing-Kurt's Grill
- Aug 16— Ladies' Day at Antioch
- Aug 17— Monthly Singing at NA Rehab at 2:00 PM Team # 1 Casey Mayer hosting— All are invited!
- Aug 21— Men's Ministry in the annex at & 7:00 PM
- Aug 24— Monthly Youth Dev.@ Ricky and Betty Adam's Home at 5:00 PM

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

**Mark Neaves**

**NOTES:**

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

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

LEAD SINGING.....Mike Brown  
 SONG .....842 "A Common Love"  
 SONG.....447 "Near To The Heart..."  
 OPENING PRAYER .....Joe Owen  
 SONG .....336 "Is It For Me?"  
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Brian Carpenter  
 SERMON .....Mark Neaves  
 INVITATION SONG.....763 "Why Keep Jesus..."  
 SONG.....Not in Book "How Deep"  
 LORD'S SUPPER ..... N/Paul Ormon-Zack Wallace, Steve Hill  
 .....S/Kevin Simmons-Thomas Wall, Terry Renfrow  
 OFFERING.....Paul Ormon/Kevin Simmons  
 SONG .....76 "Blest Be The Tie..."  
 CLOSING PRAYER .....Troy Robertson

**DISMISS TO BIBLE CLASS 10:00 A.M.****WORSHIP SUNDAY-SECOND SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.**

LEAD SINGING.....Phillip Young  
 OPENING PRAYER .....Clint Stroupe  
 SERMON .....Mark Neaves  
 ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Tim Dye  
 CLOSING PRAYER .....Tim Dye  
 USHER.....Dean Dillard/Randy Wall  
 LOCK.....Randy Wall  
 SECURITY.....Phillip Young

**BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY—August 6—6:30 PM**

SINGING.....Mark Jennings  
 OPENING PRAYER .....Justin Elliott  
 DEVOTIONAL.....Clay Ormon  
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Clayton Hill

**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 Life (Revelation 2:10)

**OUR RECORD  
WEEK 07/27/2025**

Sunday School.....148  
 Sunday 1st Service.....152  
 Sunday 2nd Service.....111  
 Wednesday.....NA  
 Contribution.....\$ 5,730.00  
 Budget.....\$ 6,450.00

**Sunday, Aug 10, 2025**

Greeters.....Randy and Christy Wall  
 Singing.....David Clayton  
 Opening Prayer .....Terry Stubblefield  
 Scripture Reading.....Owen Clayton  
 Sermon.....Daniel Manning  
**Lord's Supper:** N/Paul Ormon, Zack Wallace,  
 Steve Hill S/Kevin Simmons, Thomas Wall,  
 Terry Renfrow  
 Closing Prayer.....Ricky Adams  
 Usher.....Dean Dillard/Kurt Clayton  
 Lock .....Kurt Clayton  
 Security.....Randy Wall

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

Singing.....Dillon Clayton  
 Opening Prayer.....Ricky Adams  
 Sermon.....Daniel Manning  
 Announcements.....Greg Clayton  
 Closing Prayer.....Greg Clayton

**Wednesday Night, Aug 13, 2025 6:30 PM**

Singing.....Hunter Jennings  
 Opening Prayer.....Travis Harden  
 Devotional.....Jason Jennings  
 Closing Prayer .....David Clayton

**Sunday, Aug. 17, 2025**

Greeters.....Kurt and Shelly Clayton  
 Singing.....Mike Brown  
 Opening Prayer .....Phillip Young  
 Scripture Reading.....Clay Jennings  
 Sermon.....Daniel Manning  
**Lord's Supper** N/Paul Ormon, Zack Wallace,  
 Steve Hill S/Kevin Simmons, Thomas Wall,  
 Terry Renfrow  
 Closing Prayer.....Olen Clark  
 Usher.....Dean Dillard/Steve Hill  
 Lock .....Steve Hill  
 Security.....Joe Owen

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

Singing.....David Clayton  
 Opening Prayer.....Richard Adams  
 Sermon.....Daniel Manning  
 Announcements.....Richard Jennings  
 Closing Prayer.....Richard Jennings

**Wednesday Night Aug 20, 2025—6:30PM**

Singing.....Clay Jennings  
 Opening Prayer.....Hunter Jennings  
 Devotional.....Steve Hill  
 Closing Prayer.....Dillon Clayton

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