

Siwell Signature



A Vision for a New Testament Church

Emphasizing attendance in Bible classes and worship is good. It should include lessons on the purpose of the church. Paul said the church is the superstructure that supports the truth (1 Timothy 3:15). It does that three ways.

The keystone of the three is evangelism. Jesus' parting charge was to make disciples (Matthew 28:18-20). Paul said the truth learned should be committed to faithful men who would be enabled to teach others (2 Timothy 2:2). The Sanhedrin commanded Peter and John not to teach at all under the authority of Jesus. They answered, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:18-20).

Edification is a necessary follow-up to evangelism. Jesus wanted new disciples to be taught to do all the things he had commanded the apostles. Paul instructed Timothy to not "give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which cause disputes rather than godly edification which is in faith" (1 Timothy 1:4). He urged the Thessalonian saints to "comfort and edify one another, just as you also are doing" (1 Thessalonians 5:9-11). Christians should not use their mouths for foul words, but for edification, "that it may impart grace to the hearers" (Ephesians 4:29).

The benevolent care each member of the body shows for other members of the body sets the church apart from the world. Early Christians sold property to help the needy among them (Acts 2:44-45). That likely played a part in their finding 'favor with all the people' and the daily additions to the church (Acts 2:47). God's children should be on the lookout to help anyone in need, especially members of God's family (Galatians 6:10). The love of God is shown in brother helping brother (1 John 3:17). Pure religion is demonstrated in caring for widows and orphans (James 1:27).

The New Testament church cares for souls through evangelism, edification and benevolence. God uses that care to open doors to the lost.

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Sunday

Bible Class - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Night

Bible Class - 7:00 p.m.

Elders

**Bob Allen, Chris Bates,
Ron Clemons, Darrel Cockroft,
Andy Dulaney, James Leggett,
Jeff Morris**

Deacons

**Antonio Bracey, Charles Bracey,
Chris Carr, William Case,
Bobby Chase, Drew Dulaney,
Herbert Ellis, Terrance
Freeman, Joey Jamison, Colin
Middleton, Scott Morris,
Mark Polk, Hiram Sturgeon,
W.E. Walker**

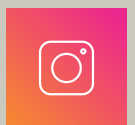
Ministers

**Gary Hampton - Pulpit
Derek Broome - Associate
Logan Baldwin - Youth
Edward Glass - Deaf**

Missionary

Louis and Martha Rushmore

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Sowing the Seed

It is almost time for my least favorite job in preparation for hunting season, the tedious, but important, responsibility of checking tree stands and planting food plots for the deer. It is tedious because of all the outside variables that hinder or prevent the work from being done. Wasp nests in the seats, tree growth around the stand, summer heat and storms, failing equipment, and lack of time are hindrances in doing the work. I find spiritual implications of these events too.

The wasps' nests represent the hesitations within ourselves. Nobody sensible is going to place their hand in or on a wasps' nest without planning to remove it. As Christians, we know that we need to tell others how detrimental sin is to their soul, but we're hesitant to do so because of the sting. The growth of the tree represents minor hurdles in our effort. New limbs blocking our view, new bark constricting the movement in securing the stand in the appropriate place, and possibly new trees that have finally grown to cause problems. We encounter hurdles in evangelistic efforts as well. They can deter our focus from preparing for and reaching our goals. The heat represents our work conditions. Working on your land is difficult at times, but add the heat of summer and its almost unbearable. We live in a sinful world that loves its sinful ways, and that makes the work of a Christian almost unbearable. Thankfully, the Christian's water supply is the best (John 4:14).

The summer storms represent the storms of life. The sun could be shining one minute and the very next could find yourself seeking shelter from a down pour. Christians are hindered when life's storms cause us to seek shelter in the things of the world. The failing equipment represents temporary things. The only things that won't break, tear, burn, or mess up in the work of a Christian is the Word of God (Psalm 18:30). Finally, the lack of time represents mismatched priorities. A hunter desiring a good season must put in the time in preparation. If you want your work as an evangelistic Christian to be worthwhile, you have to make it a priority to prepare and execute.

Logan Baldwin

News and Events

Early Risers - August 24th

Door Knocking - August 28th.
We will be passing out New Movers baskets

Wedding Shower - All ladies are invited to a wedding shower for Courtney Cockroft on September 12th. Registered at Belk and Bed, Bath, and Beyond.

Ladies Day - September 18th

MC Church Fair Event.

Supplies needed by August 22nd:

12 oz (Small Bottles) Gatorade or Powerade

Little Debbie Honey Bun

We would like to welcome **Demetra Smith** and **Ernest and Veda Longstreet**. They have indicated that they want to work under the oversight of the elders.

Youth News

August 11th - Hang Time

August 19th - TNT at the building

August 24th - TNT at the Seal's

There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for Discover - September 11-12.

W.O.W.

Women Of the Word



21 PORTRAITS OF

Jesus

A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

1st Monday Every Month at 6:00 PM

Bring your Bible and Brown Bag Supper as we study the Word together.

Write with Passion@wotw.com

You are invited!

Ladies' Day

With Guest Speaker
Cindy Middleton
of Northport, AL

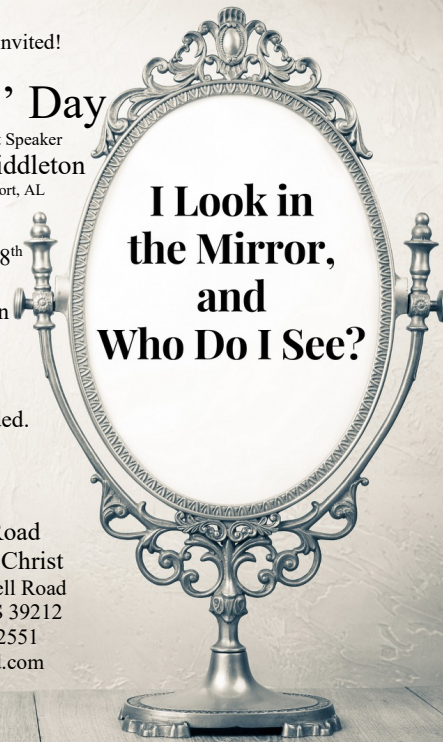
Saturday,
September 18th

Registration
begins at
9:00 a.m.

Lunch provided.

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**I Look in
the Mirror,
and
Who Do I See?**



A MEN'S MINISTRY

**MEN'S
FELLOWSHIP**

2ND MONDAYS OF EACH MONTH
AT 6:30 PM
DOWNSTAIRS FELLOWSHIP

Prayer List Updates

We are pleased to announce that **Casey Hurley**, who has been attending with Kayla McAdams, was baptized into Christ Monday night. Please continue to pray for Casey as he begins his walk with Christ.

Kevin Ingle's mother, **Linda Ingle**, had a stint put in on Wednesday morning.

Please keep **Kinsley Agerton** in your prayers. She is the 3 week old great niece of Annette Parrett. She has covid.

Bernice Richardson, has an infection in her foot. Annette Parretts sister

Judy Walker is having some health problems.

June Franks Booker is still in the hospital following a stroke.

Danny Edwards has Covid and double pneumonia. He works with Sarah Wall.

A coworker of Terrance Freeman passed away today from Covid. Please keep the family of **Shannon Carter** and the Kansas City Southern family in your prayers.

Please keep Bill Boutwell's sister, **Betty Shoemake**, in your prayers. She had surgery on her back this week. She lives in Laurel.

Gay Williams, a local hairdresser and friend of Teresa Hampton, had surgery. Please keep her in your prayers.

Please also continue to pray for **Troy Nations** as he continues to be in the hospital. Keep Troy and Caroline and the entire family in your prayers.

Please keep **Ed, Jennifer, and Kaitlyn Glass** in your prayers as they are at home with Covid.

Francis King's aunt, **Kay Reasons**, is in the hospital in Memphis with Covid.

Jennifer O'Neal, the wife of Sean O'Neal, has been diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer. Sean is the caretaker at Sardis Lake Christian Camp.

Our Military, Law Enforcement, and First Responders

Johnny Alman	Dan Parrett
Josh Barnett	Kyle Russell
Charles Bracey	Andrew Smith
Coy Bunch	Robert Smith
Brian Butler	Seth Sparkman
Michael Griffith	William Thompson
Jae Irvin	Jaden Williams
Joey Jamison	Hunter Thompson
Shayne Kelly	

Shut-in List

Velma Bicker, 1900 Chadwick Dr., Room 119-B, Jackson, MS 39204

Shirleen Clare, 137 St. Charles Ave., Florence, MS 39073

Myrtle Gordon, Regina Clower and Eric Davis,
8 Spring Hollow Dr., Crystal Springs, MS 39059
(601) 951-6353

Jeanie Lane, 144 Blackstone Cir., Brandon, MS 39047
Virgil and Sylvia Parrish, 331 Myers Rd., Florence, MS
39073 (601) 845-5070

Nancy Smith, Madden Lighthouse, P.O. Box 8, Madden, MS
39109.

Mary Lois Wells, 533 Dartmount Dr., Jackson, MS 39209
(601) 922-4639

Remember in Prayer

Harry and Betty Barkley

Toni Burnett

Betty Butler

Shirleen Clare

Regina Clower

Eric Davis

Cynthia Donahoe compression fracture in her back.

Betty Dougherty, Crystal Dunlap's grandmother

Linda Dickinson - C.M.L.

Loretta Ellis

Teresa Hampton - recovering from surgery

Steve Higginbotham

HD and Lydia Hood

Laurie Hooks - daughter of Paul and Joanne Leggett

Mary Horton

Kristi Kelley (Daughter of Vic Kelley)

Paul and Joanne Leggett

Billy McAdams

Randy Miller (Back Problems)

Terril and Virginia Morris

Hulon and Annette Parrett

Christopher Rae is having problems with seizures.

Claude Roberts

Dustin Robertson (Nephew of Dirk Robertson)

Sandy Smith

Vera and Dale Spencer

Lyle Thompson - Son of Sylvia Thompson

Bill and Wanda Thompson

Larue Walden

Judy, Mark, W.E. Walker

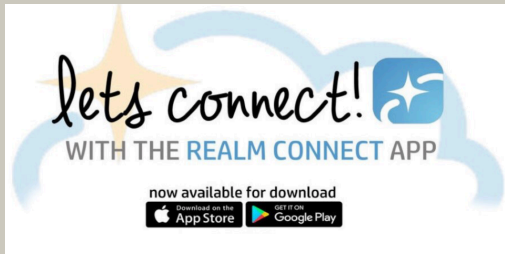
Loretha Wallace

Sonia Davenport (Anita Carver's sister-in-law, Cancer)

Jack Morgan (Anita Carver's uncle, hospice)

Maddy Pittman (battling Leukemia)

Katherine Barnett (dealing with pain, in need of surgery)



Mowing Team Schedule

Mowing Schedule - August 21: Team 3
 Derek Broome
 Tim Butler
 Bobby Chase
 Grant Sturgeon
 Hiram Sturgeon
 Terry Dyer



Attendance and Contribution

For August 15, 2021

Bible Classes.....128
 Sunday Morning Worship.....165
 Sunday Night Worship.....109
 Budget: \$10,549.00
 Weekly Contribution: \$10,445.10

Berean Children's Home

Please make checks payable to Siwell Road church of Christ and note “for Berean Children’s Home.”

Need Kool Aid for Berean

Blessing Bags

At present, we do not need cheese or peanut butter crackers. Items needed: Vienna Sausages/Spam (with pop tops), Beef Jerky, small packages of Kleenex, Wet Ones (travel size). There is a collection box in the foyer.



GOAL: 1,000 churches of Christ going into their communities on the same day. The world starts next door.

COMMIT: Sign up online at nextdoor.housetohouse.com to join hundreds of sister congregations and brotherhood works. You will receive door knocking tips to help you get excited, encouraged, and prepared!

A knock can change everything.

Men to Serve August 2021

Flowers	Julia Lewis
Food Coordinator	Mitzie Nations
Contribution	Jimmy Barr and Tim Butler
Elder to Contact	Jeff Morris
Sound Booth	Tim King
Attendance Count	Mark Polk

Sundays

Date	1 st	8 th	15 th	22 nd	29 th
Song Leader	Drew Dulaney	Allen Bates	James Koestler	Terrance Freeman	Derek Broome
A.M. Scripture Reading and Prayer	Chris Carr	William McAdams	Ron Clemons	Hiram Sturgeon	Darrel Cockroft
Presiding/PM Communion	Scott Morris	Andy Dulaney	Herbert Ellis	Sam Clark	Chris Bates
P.M. Opening Prayer	Brent Oxley	Terry Dyer	Logan Baldwin	W.E. Walker	William Case
P.M. Closing Prayer	John Mark Bridges	Tracy Gray Jr.	Bobby Chase	Jeff Seal	Jim Green
Building Lock-UP	Bobby Chase	Drew Dulaney	Herbert Ellis	Terrance Freeman	Joey Jamison

Wednesdays

Date	4 th	11 th	18 th	25 th
Song Leading	Dustin Jeffords	Grant Sturgeon	Tracy Gray Jr.	Logan Baldwin
Devotional	Gary Hampton	Colin Middleton	Richard Carr	Owen Boutwell
Closing Prayer	Derek Broome	Tim Butler	Kip Gardner	Drew Dulaney