

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST
JUNE 22, 2025

PRAYERS: This past Sunday **Gavin Arrington** asked for the prayers and encouragement. Let us do all that we can to encourage him as he encourages us. The **Houses** have a court date coming up August 4th.

CONGRATS: Chandler Steven Hooper was born on Wednesday, June 18th, at 6lb., 9oz, and 18.” **Shelly Cates** is the proud great-aunt.

SYMPATHY: Joe Campbell (Karen Tuttle's father) passed away this past week; Stu and Karen are in Indiana.

SICK: **Stu Tuttle** will have sinus surgery on Thursday. **Allene** (facing thyroid surgery) and **Paul** (cancer) **Baldwin** continue to face serious health problems. **Kazelynn Shamblin**, **Destiny's** daughter, is struggling with acid reflux. **Bobby Stewart** is still recovering from his knee replacement surgery.

PROTRACTED: **Brandi Beavers**—fibromyalgia; **Scooter Birmingham** (friend of **Destiny Clayton**); **Brian Brown** (**Paul Brown**'s nephew)—epilepsy; **Lauren Brown** (niece of **Paul Brown**)—heart; **Suzanne Brown**—arthritis; **Shelly Cates**—fibromyalgia; **T.J. Clarke** (former instructor at MSOP)—spinal injury; **Janet Daniel** (sister of **Melinda Haas**)—lupus; **Martha Clayton** (**Tabatha Clayton**'s mother-in-law)—congestive heart failure; **Ella Cobb**, granddaughter of the **Houses**—seizures; **Elizabeth Ferguson** (wife of former preacher here)—dementia; **Jimmy Ferguson** (former preacher here)—heart rhythm; **Melinda Haas**—Lyme Disease; **Cody Hadley**—Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever; **Kaylie Hadley**—UCTD; **Shelby Hadley**—facing mitral valve prolapse surgery between eight months and two years from now; **Paula Harrison**—Meniere's Disease; **Wanda Jackson**—a-fib; **Monica La Rock** (granddaughter of **Orelia Ferguson** and mother of **Noah**); **Savannah Leeton** (cousin of **Katie Brown**)—celiac disease; **Garrett Lentz** (son of a co-worker of **Cody Hadley**)—seizures; **Betty Mayes** (mother of **Brittany Buchanan**)—aneurisms and kidney problems; **Becky Munns** (**Tabatha Clayton**'s aunt)—heart problems, Crohn's Disease; **Shelby Peyton**—knee; **Mary Ray**—dizziness; **Brett Rutherford** (**Dan Cates**' friend)—MS; **Francis Wallace** (friend of **Mary Ray**); **Stephanie Vick**—Lyme Disease; and **Jerry Worthington** (neighbor of **Carl Hounshell**)—physical and emotional difficulties.

CANCER: **Paul Baldwin**—pancreatic; **Alicia Busby** (from the community); **Andy Cates** (**Dan Cates**’ brother)—CLL leukemia; **Tish Clarke** (wife of the MSOP director)—melanoma; **Gary Darnell** (**Ella Darnell**’s son)—leukemia as well as diabetes; **Hans Harms** (step-father of **Karen Tuttle**)—kidney; **David Jones** (**Shelly Cates**’ father)—DPLL leukemia; **Sara Kiestler** (an FHU student)—Hodgkin’s; **Wade Loggins** (member of congregation in Elkmont, AL); **Dorothy Mosher** (wife of an MSOP instructor); **Carol Ogelsby** (family of **Sonny Stewart** and the **Browns**)—stomach; **Priscilla Patterson** (mother of a friend of Dan Cates)—breast; **Tommy Pierce** (the **Browns**’ friend); **John Riley** (member of the church who lives in this community)—lung; **Laykan Rutherford** (cousin of **Shelly Cates**); **Dale van der Wood** (neighbor of **Carl Hounshell**)—lymphoma; and **Tabby Waters** (**Tabatha Clayton**’s sister-in-law)—leukemia.

SHUT-IN: Orelia Ferguson (home) and Ruth House (Lawayne House's mother who is at home).

SERVING: **Cameron Hadley** (Marines), now stationed locally; and **Jason House** (Marines), out west. Also, please continue to pray for **Kyle Embrey** (**Syble Embrey's** grandson—policeman) and all other military [especially who are going or remain abroad] and for all those in authority that we might live “quiet and peaceable” lives (1 Timothy 2:1,2).

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Missions *[the latest reports from these works are on the bulletin board in the foyer]*

Kakinada, India [Providing Bibles and Overseeing Funds]

Memphis School of Preaching (Chris Cook and Tony Solaita)

Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)

Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)

Four Seas Bible College, Singapore

Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]

Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)

Tennessee Children's Home, West

Justin and Megan Evergarden (Japan, 2026)

Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)

Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

“ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF GOD”

Daniel F. Cates

*Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:
(Galatians 1:4)*

Jesus Christ Who "loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood" (Revelation 1:5) did so to provide deliverance, or rescue, from a world in which "the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not" (2 Corinthians 4:4); accordingly, it falls upon those rescued to "be not conformed to this world" (Romans 12:2).

That Jesus Christ could provide deliverance, and that He would provide deliverance are both amazing thoughts; however, that this was God's Will shows that God had determined that Jesus should provide deliverance. Scripture teaches that God's determination had predated the very existence of the ones who would need deliverance (1 Peter 1:19,20; Revelation 13:8; Ephesians 1:4; Titus 1:2).

*“That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;
But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:” (Ephesians 4:14,15)*

BIBLE QUESTION:

This week’s question: Who leaves the sheep when the wolf comes?
Last week’s question: God “before ordained” that Christians should walk in what?
Last week’s answer: “Good works” (Ephesians 2:10)

SERMONS: A.M.: “Tell Me the Story of Jesus,” Part 34: “The Good Shepherd”
(John 10:1-21).
P.M.: Jason Moore will be with us to talk about the Four Seas Bible Institute in Singapore.

DAILY BIBLE READING (June 23-29):

2 Kings

Mon. 4-6

Tues. 7-10

Wed. 11-14:20

Thur. 1-3

Fri. 14:21-25

Sat. 14:26-29

Sun. 4-6

Joel

Jonah 1-4

READ SCRIPTURE (JUNE): Cameron Hadley (John 10:14-16)
(JULY): Tony Solaita

PRESIDE OVER LORD’S SUPPER (JUNE): Lawayne House
(JULY): Dylan Cooper

ASSIST ON LORD’S SUPPER (JUNE): Wesley Haas and Carson Kinney
(JULY): Gavin Arrington and Keegan Arrington

CLEAN BUILDING (JUNE): Tabatha Clayton
(JULY): Melinda Haas and April Kinney

PREPARE COMMUNION (JUNE): Melinda Haas and April Kinney
(JULY): Tabatha Clayton

UPCOMING SUNDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE:

June 22	Ali’i Barber	June 29	Cameron Hadley
July 6	Dan Cates	July 13	Dylan Cooper

UPCOMING SUNDAY NIGHT AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT SINGING ROTATION:

Sun: June 22	Dan Cates	June 29	Tony Solaita
Wed: June 25	Tony Solaita	July 2	Levi Howell

PANTRY NEEDS: Canned goods.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

This week (June 23-25)
Looxahoma **Vacation Bible School** at 6:00 nightly.

This Saturday (June 28)
Southaven **Vacation Bible School** from 9:00-Noon on *The Name of Jesus*.

July 9-11
Nesbit **Vacation Bible School** at 7:00 nightly on *My God is So Big, So Strong, and So Mighty*.

July 19
Youth day here at Independence.

July 20-24
Gospel meeting at Crockett with John Hall preaching.

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today! Please take a few minutes and fill out an attendance card for us so that we can have a record of your attendance. Once you have filled out a card, please hand it to one of the members, or lay it onto the pew.