

INDEPENDENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST
AUGUST 9, 2026

SYMPATHY: Wanda Jackson recently lost her sister, Mary Ann Coley.

SICK: Allene Baldwin has not been doing very well; she has re-begun therapy. Reese Kinney had her wisdom teeth removed this past week. Rachael Shankle should learn more from her infusion on August 31st. Ray Stanford has been having eye/headache troubles. Karen Tuttle will have surgery on her arm on August 10th—she is also dealing with a tick bite which might have caused Alpha-gal syndrome.

PROTRACTED: Allene Baldwin—thyroid; Brandi Beavers—fibromyalgia; Scooter Birmingham (friend of Destiny Clayton); 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; Christy Farrow (cousin of Tabatha Clayton)—cystic fibrosis; 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; Jason House—chronic emesis; Scott Ingram (of GBN); Wanda Jackson—a-fib; Monica La Rock (granddaughter of the Fergusons); Garrett Lentz (son of a co-worker of Cody Hadley)—seizures; Brandon McNeil (son of Karen Tuttle)—alpha gal disease; 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; Thomas Swindoll—sleep problems; Francis Wallace (friend of Mary Ray); Bobby Stewart—retinal vein occlusion; Stephanie Vick—Lyme Disease; and Jerry Worthington (neighbor of Carl Hounshell)—physical and emotional difficulties.

CANCER: Alicia Busby (from the community); Hugh Brewer (Bill Burford’s nephew)—bladder; Elly Bowden (infant child of a friend of Kim Arrington)—behind eyes; Andy Cates (Dan Cates’ brother)—CLL leukemia; Tish Clarke (wife of the MSOP director)—melanoma; Gary Darnell (Patricia McClure’s brother)—CLL leukemia as well as diabetes; Robert Davis—Stage 4 prostate; Chastity Farrow—needing a double lung transplant ; Hans Harms (step-father of Karen Tuttle)—kidney; Jim Jackson (elder at Coldwater)—colon; Anna Johnson (member at Coldwater)—breast; 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 Oglesby (family of the Browns)—stomach; Dosson Omedeo (1 year old from Looxahoma)—All B-Cell Acute leukemia; Priscilla Patterson (mother of a friend of Dan Cates)—breast; Tommy Pierce (the Browns’ friend); Lizzie Pleasants; 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: Mary Ruth Brown (home) and Ruth House (Lawayne House’s mother who is at home).

SERVING: Cameron Hadley (Marines), stationed in North Carolina; and Jason House (Marines), deployed in an undisclosed location. 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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The Informer



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Services: Sunday 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 4:45 p.m. (pew-packers), 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

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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]	Pablo Horna (Panama) [Overseeing funds]
Memphis School of Preaching (Rafaele Barber)	Netcasters and Fishers of Men (Tim Wilkes, II)
Brown Trail School of Preaching (Spanish Department)	Tennessee Children’s Home, West
Tri-Cities School of Preaching (David B. Jones)	Justin and Megan Evergarden (Japan, 2026)
Four Seas Bible College, Singapore	Save Asian Souls (Providing physical and spiritual aid)
Bear Valley Bible Institute (Denver, CO)	Other one-time, domestic and overseas, mission efforts

"HIS MERCY IS EVERLASTING; AND HIS TRUTH ENDURETH TO ALL GENERATIONS"

from Meditations of My Heart

"For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations" (Psalm 100:5)

One of the most challenging things man is obligated and privileged to do is to worship God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). By handling aright the Word of truth (2 Timothy 2:15), we can learn what God authorizes us to do in worship. But, how do we get the right spirit in our worship?

Note the psalmist encourages one to come with joy, gladness, thanksgiving and praise. The motivation for such is the character of God. The one to worship is God (v. 3), He has made us (v. 3), He takes care of us (v. 3), and He is good (v. 5). His mercy and His truth are forever (v. 5). Think on these things the next time you worship.

"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: What did Samson kill as easily as he could have killed a young goat? Last week's question: What coins did the poor widow cast into the treasury? Last week's answer: Two mites (Mark 12:42)

SERMONS: Jacob Kennedy will be preaching this morning P.M.: As in a Foreign Land, Part 9: Judges.

DAILY BIBLE READING (August 10-16):

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
Jeremiah	17-20	21-23	24-26	27-29	30-32	33-36	37-39
READ SCRIPTURE (AUGUST): Cody Hadley (Please see Jacob Kennedy)							
<i>(SEPTEMBER): Jacob Kennedy</i>							
PRESIDE OVER LORD’S SUPPER (AUGUST): Jacob Kennedy							
<i>(SEPTEMBER): Thomas Massey</i>							
ASSIST ON LORD’S SUPPER (AUGUST): Paul Brown and Conor Cates							
<i>(SEPTEMBER): Wesley Haas and Carson Kinney</i>							
CLEAN BUILDING (AUGUST): Kim Arrington							
<i>(SEPTEMBER): The Masseys</i>							
PREPARE COMMUNION (AUGUST): Shelly Cates and Maggie Cooper							
<i>(SEPTEMBER): Tabatha Clayton</i>							
UPCOMING SUNDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE:							
<i>August 9</i>	<i>Carson Kinney</i>			<i>August 16</i>	<i>Cody Hadley</i>		
<i>August 23</i>	<i>Jacob Kennedy</i>			<i>August 30</i>	<i>Rafaele Barber</i>		
UPCOMING SUNDAY A.M. & P.M. & WEDNESDAY NIGHT SINGING ROTATION:							
<i>Sun A: August 9</i>	<i>Dan Cates</i>			<i>August 16</i>	<i>Dylan Cooper</i>		
<i>Sun P: August 9</i>	<i>Ray Stanford</i>			<i>August 16</i>	<i>Cody Hadley</i>		
<i>Wed: August 12</i>	<i>Levi Howell</i>			<i>August 19</i>	<i>Conor Cates</i>		
PANTRY NEEDS: Canned goods.							
NEW LADIES CLASS: There will be a ladies class at the building every second Saturday of the month at 11:00 at the building. See Maggie Cooper for details.							
UPCOMING EVENTS:							
Between services today							
There will be a Back to School Party at the Cates’ house.							
September 12							
Ladies Day at Looxahoma with Natasha Bennett on the theme <i>Linked by Grace</i> .							
September 27-30							
There will be a Gospel meeting at the Hwy. 77 congregation in Marion, AR.							
Dan Cates will be preaching on “ <i>Come, and Let Us Go</i> ” (<i>Isaiah 2:3</i>).							
October 10							
Youth Day at Looxahoma from 9:30-2:30.							
October 11-14							
Gospel Meeting at Looxahoma with Jonathan Burns speaking.							

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are honored to have you with us today!