

Those to Serve

Wednesday Evening, June 4, 2025

AnnouncementsGary Byers
Lead SingingGary Gill
First Prayer Eddie Carter
Read Scripture.....Ben Hall
Dismissal Prayer Tyson Hobbs

Sunday Morning, June 8, 2025

AnnouncementsGary Byers
Lead SingingGary Gill
First Prayer.....Colin Middleton
Read Scripture Ronny Cornelius
Preside at Table Ben Hall
Serve Congregation
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Dismissal PrayerTyler Allen
Nursery Attendant Betty Stewart

Sunday Evening, June 8, 2025

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Lead SingingGary Gill
First PrayerGary Byers
Read ScriptureRickey Tigner
Preside at Table Ben Hall
Dismissal Prayer Jack Gill

“Key Men” for June

Sunday AM (Open).....Tyler Allen
Sunday AM (Close)Jim Maxwell
Sunday PM (Open).....Gene Ross
Sunday PM (Close) Ben Hall
Wednesday PM (Open)Abe Jeter
Wednesday PM (Close)Gilbert Shelby

Coming Events

The next **area-wide Youth Devotional** will be at the East Jackson church of Christ on Tuesday, June 10. Remember to visit our website: middletoncoc.org where you can also view our weekly bulletin.

Family Matters

We extend our deepest sympathy to Edith and Monica and family in the death of **David Craft**. There will be a Memorial Service here at the building this Sunday, June 8 at 2pm. **Anthony Lucas** is still in Jackson General Hospital undergoing tests but is feeling better. **Teddy Bodiford** is home and recovering from his eye surgery.

Community Matters

Keep Teresa Howell, Tony Harris, Rhonda Carver, Lisa Dukes, Nancy Stephenson, JoAnn James, Betty Baker, Beverly Martindale in your prayers.

Prayer List

April McKelvey, Royce Jones, David/Edith Craft, Bill Craft, Gerald/Gail Mills, Jan Webster, Elaine Capshaw, Dottie Hogan, Melinda Russell, Linda McAlpin, Joyce Shelby, Betsy Lucas, Robert Bizzell, Donna Shepherd.

*Remember our service men & women in your prayers.
Remember all our missionaries in your prayers.*

For The Record

Mid-Week Bible Study 84
Sunday School 90
Sunday Morning Worship 126
Sunday Evening Worship 101

[Prayerfully consider your part in the above record](#)

Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Sunday, June 8.....Esther 4-7
Monday, June 9.....Esther 8-10
Tuesday, June 10 Job 1-5
Wednesday, June 11 Job 6-10
Thursday, June 12 Job 11-15
Friday, June 13 Job 16-21
Saturday, June 14.....Job 22-28

Shut-ins

David Craft, Room 111, Christian Care Center, 10160 US-64, Bolivar, TN 38008.
Paige Gillon, 45 Southwest Lane, Middleton, TN 38052.
Donna Shepherd, Room 202, Wellington Manor Jackson, 911 Old Humboldt Rd, Jackson, TN 38305.

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- 1. Hear the Word of God- Romans 10:17.
- 2. Believe the Word of God- Mark 16:16.
- 3. Repent of sins- Acts 17:30-31.
- 4. Confess Christ- Romans 10:9-10.
- 5. Be Baptized to wash away sins - Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:20-21; Mark 16:16.
- 6. Be Faithful unto death- Rev. 2:10.

JEFF’S JOTTINGS

The shoe boxes for Panama are now in the foyer and ready for pick up. Be sure to sign the sheet when you get your box. They should be turned in by October 1. See Patricia Carter with any questions.

The Ladies Class meets each Tuesday in the annex at 10 am. All ladies are invited!

Our **Question & Answer Box** is on the wall in the foyer. Please put your questions in any time and we will answer them on the fourth Sunday evening of each month.

Pantry Item Of The Week: manwich. You can bring other items any time.

“Also there were many priests, because they were prevented by death from continuing. But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.” Hebrews 7:23-25.

Importance of Good Books

“If religious books are not widely circulated among the masses in this country and the people do not become religious, I do not know what is to become of us as a nation. And the thought is one to cause solemn reflection on the part of every patriot and Christian. If the truth be not diffused, error will be; if God and his word are not known and received the devil and his works will gain the ascendancy; if the Evangelical Volume does not reach every hamlet, the pages of corrupt and licentious literature will.”
-Daniel Webster

Other People’s Faults

No doubt, it is easier to discover other people’s faults than our own. Many of us are troubled more about how our neighbors live than we are with our shortcomings. We manifest a greater feeling of responsibility for the acts and neglect of others than for our own. Now, the truth is every man must bear his own burden.

We shall not be called to answer at God’s bar for idle words, sinful acts, and the neglect of duty of our neighbor. But there is one person for whose every act, word, disposition, and feeling we shall have to give an account, and that is ourselves. Therefore, we had better train ourselves to keep close, minute, constant, and conscientious watch over our own life. We had better give less attention to our neighbor’s mistakes, foibles, and failures and more to our own. Most of us would find little time for looking after other people’s faults if we gave

Many Faiths

Once, as we drove into a small central Arkansas town, we were greeted with a sign which read, “Welcome to Our Town, A Town of Many Faiths”. After we had passed the sign, my wife asked, “Doesn’t the bible say that there is one faith?” I answered back, “Yes, that’s what the bible says.” She thought it strange that a town would boast about something that was contrary to what the bible teaches, and I agreed. As you drive through the little town, a town similar in size to the small town we live in, you begin to realize that it is in fact a town of many faiths. I counted at least five church buildings within rock throwing distance from each other.

Our town is not much different, if you look at the sign that is located just west of our fellowship building, you’ll see an example of our religious diversity. That Arkansas town’s religious pride is typical of our country’s attitude toward religious diversity. Built upon the principle of freedom of religion, our country allows and promotes a diverse religious community, one of which allows you and I to meet and worship without worry of harassment.

However, this concept is indeed at odds with what the New Testament teaches concerning faith, worship and service to God. The passage that my wife called in question when we encountered the “many faiths” sign is found in the letter to the Ephesians. Note what Paul, inspired by the

Spirit wrote, *“I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.” (Ephesians 4:1-6)*. As you can see from this passage, God’s idea for the religious community is “oneness” rather than diversity.

It should be our sincere desire that we can all follow Jesus, worship God, and serve Him in unity as outlined in His Word. Wouldn’t it be great if we could put up a sign that read, “Welcome to Our Town, A Town of One Faith”?

Complaints!

I have heard of a preacher who had on his desk a special notebook, labeled, “Complaints of members against others.” When one of his people called to tell him the faults of another, he would say; “Well, here’s my complaint book. I’ll write down what you say, and you can sign it. Then when I have to take the matter up officially, I shall know what I may expect you to testify to.”

The preacher says he kept the book for forty years, opened it probably a thousand times, and never wrote a single line in it.

-Author Unknown