

MEETINGS IN THE AREA

Tennessee Summer Youth Series is back for its third year! This is for the youth in the Southeast TN and North Mississippi area. This will be a six-part series on Tuesday evening throughout the summer. We have a number of congregations and dates have been set.

Each night will begin at 6:30 pm with singing and the lesson. Then a meal will be provided followed by hanging out/ games for the teens.

July 22nd Henderson Church of Christ (Henderson, TN) Create In Me A Clean Heart Arron Dodson

July 29th Stantonville Church of Christ (Stantonville, TN) I've Been Crucified with Christ - Shobek Dethrow

The Next Season: A Widows Retreat The Smyrna Church of Christ is cosponsoring a retreat for widows at Shenandoah Farms in Middle Tenn on Saturday, September 20, 2025. If you are interested, see Bro. Hayes for more information. Spaces are limited and the cost is very affordable.

LADIES' DAY PROGRAMS

Church of Christ at Kings Lane in Nashville invites us to attend their Ladies' Day Program on Saturday, July 19th at 9 am. Theme: Mirror, Mirror On The Wall Do You See Christ in me at all? James 1:21-27; 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 Speaker will be Sis Ira Booker of Bird St. Church of Christ.

15th Annual MWCCC September 18-21, 2025 Hosted by the Louisville Area Church of Christ Theme: But God's Grace Registration \$220 per person. Website: WWW.MIDWESTWOMENCONFERENCECOC.COM

Mid-South Youth Camp (MSYC), the beloved Christian summer camp for kids and teens, will host its 42nd Annual Fish Fry fundraising event Saturday, July 26, from 4-6 p.m., at 260 Youth Camp Loop, near Henderson, Tennessee. All proceeds will support yearly camp operations and ongoing improvements. Tickets will be available at the event: \$15 for adults, \$10 for children ages 6-11, and free for ages 5 and under. The ticket includes an all-you-can-eat meal featuring catfish or chicken, sides, a drink and dessert. Guests may choose to dine in at the Tucker Family Dining Hall or pick up meals via drive-thru. See flyer on bulletin board.

Back-To-School On Saturday, July 26th, the church will be hosting our annual community book-bag and supplies giveaway. We are asking members to bring supplies now. Thanks in advance for support this great ministry.

SUPPLIES LIST Pencils - Jumbo Primary 2 No. 2 : 8, 12, 24ct, or larger Mechanical Pencils (# 2 Lead 0.7 mm) Scissors — Pencil Pouch Boxes of crayon 16 ct. 24 ct Color Pencils 10ct, 12ct -- Markers 10, 12 Wide Rule or College Rule Loose Leaf Paper Composition Notebook (Black/White Marbel) 1 Subject Notebook -Wide Rule Index Cards 3x5 - 4x6 Elmer's Glue- Sticks, Bottles Folders with 3 prongs (all colors) 5 or 8 ct Dividers If you prefer to give a donation, it would be appreciated. Please look at samples of school supplies on the Youth & Teen Ministry table.

EAST JACKSON CHURCH FAMILY If you are need of a bookbag or school supplies, the time is now for you sign up. You must sign up for these items. The only thing that we ask is that you pick them up on Sunday, July 27th following the evening Worship Services. DEADLINE TO SIGN UP WEDNESDAY, JULY 23rd. Sign up at the youth and teen table.

EAST JACKSON JOURNAL

Consistently about the business of Bridging Across To Bring Them In, To Build Them Up, To Become Of Benefit All to the glory of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

Matthew 28:18-20

Website: www.eastjacksoncofc.org

Lovell C Hayes - Minister

Samuel Jones - Minister

Shobek Dethrow -Minister

Gordon Newsome, Sr Retired



July 13, 2025

A friendly, caring congregation ready to serve and teach the bible to East Jackson and beyond the glory of God.

ELDERS

Richard DePriest Sonny Phillips Thomas Pirtle, Jr Jerry Truelove

DEACONS

Culinary Ministry Senior Saints Joe Reeves Thomas Curry

Educational Ministry Bruce Ingram Cedric Hampton, Sr

Inside Facilities Ministry Blanks Branick

Media Ministry Kenneth Mercer

Outside Ministry & Transportation Ministry Morris Denwiddie

Worship Ministry Jackie Dodson, Sr. Terry Smith

Young Adult Ministry Reginald Davis, I

Ministry Leaders Involvement Ministry Tony Black

Compassion Ministry Middle Adult Ministry Alexander Smith, III

Security Team Ministry Patrick Willis

HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH?

On last week we looked at the “Jeroboam philosophy” of It is too much. That’s the argument that he used to convince the tribes of the northern kingdom to forsake going to the temple of God in the city of God, Jerusalem in 1 Kings 12 (v. 28). Sadly, it worked because the people fell into sin because they forsook the city of God, the house of God, the day of God, the priests of God, and the commands of God. We look back at them and say: they should not have listened to Jeroboam, especially considering the judgment that God would eventually bring upon them.

However, that philosophy still continues today. Some seem to take the approach that it is “too much” to do things God’s way and it is “too much” to give our reasonable service (Romans 12:1), let alone go the extra mile for the Lord.

Therefore, to motivate us not to be infected by the “it is too much” syndrome, I challenge us to ruminate on the fact that for us and toward us, Jesus never took the stance: It is too much. For in Romans 5:6-8 we are reminded that Christ died for us while we were ungodly (v. 6), still sinners (v. 8), and God’s enemies (v. 10). Even though we were all that and more, Jesus died as the sinless Lamb of God for us. It was not “too much” for Him to do. Maybe He could have taken the “too much” position for Paul says in the text that some might take the position of scarcely dying for a righteous man and perhaps dying for a good man: but dying for a sinner man—that would be asking too much.

Yet, that is just what Christ did. It was not too much for Him to be made flesh (John 1:14) and come to this world as the sacrificial Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world (John 1:29) and to do so by dying on the cross, the just for the unjust (1 Peter 3:18). It was not too much for Him to give up equality with God for a time to take on the form of a servant and to humble Himself to become obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

One has to wonder if the thought ever crossed His mind in the human form: the thought it is too much? Did that thought cross His mind when he was being plotted against by Jewish leaders? Perhaps in the upper room looking into the face of Judas who would betray Him? What about when He overheard Peter denying Him three times? What about when they were spitting on Him, beating Him, ridiculing Him, and nailing Him to the old rugged cross where He hung in agony for six hours. No, He did not say, it is too much, but He did say, It is finished (John 19:30) as He completed the purpose of God in shedding the precious blood that would redeem us from our sins.

So think about last week’s challenge again: how much is too much to give in loving, worshiping and serving the Lord?

— L. C. Hayes

ORDER OF SERVICES

SONG DIRECTOR
Joe Reeves (AM)
Anthony Truelove (PM)

SCRIPTURE READING
Raymond Boles (AM)
(PM)

PRAYER
Jerry Truelove (AM)
(PM)

OFFERING &
COMMUNION
Donnie Lewis

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Donnie Lewis

CLOSING
BAPTISMAL WORKER
Alexander Smith

 Sunday Evening
Worship Service
at 5:30 p.m.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Just a Friendly
Reminder:
Please get your
announcement in
to the CHURCH
OFFICE by
Thursday noon.

Those who make the
announcements on Sunday
find it very difficult to
review and organize their
paper work when several
members are coming up
handing them information
that should be have been
turned in during the course
of the week.
If a member deems
announcement as important
enough to be stressed in the
public service, he or she
should contact one of the
elders.

Announcements and
Upcoming Events

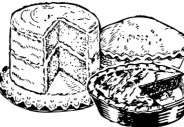
Our Vision Statement: A friendly, caring congregation ready to serve and teach
Bible to East Jackson and beyond to the glory to God.



ZONE MEETING
The month's meeting
will be Wednesday,
July 30th at 6:30 pm.

Zone leaders and
members: Mark the dates on your
calendars. All Members will attend
Zone meeting on the scheduled
Wednesday night as we continue to
grow in the "one anothers."
Meeting places as follows:
Zone 1 - Auditorium
Zone 2 - Room 207-208
Zone 3 -Room 210-211
Zone 4- Room 212-213

The Culinary Ministry
is in need of our HELP.
On Sunday, August 3rd,
during our Summer
Gospel Meeting we will
be serving a Fellowship Meal. We
need Cakes and Pies for our meal. Sign
up sheets will be available at the senior
saints table.



EJCoC Sister
Ministry Prayer Line
A Special Sister speaker
every Monday in July 2025

July 14th Michelle Glass
July 21st Tiffany Malone
July 28th Shauntelle Wisdom

Sisters please join each Monday evening
at 6:00 pm! Please invite your family
and friends!

Without seeming rhyme or reason, hope allays the soul's worries with the
certainly of hummingbirds, who know precisely the day of fly south.



To East Jackson Church
Family

The church had some
items in storage that are no
longer being used. These
items are being stored in the Vance
Fellowship Hall. You are welcome to
look through these items and if you
want anything it is free for the taking.
However, you will be responsible for
loading and hauling away.
The Vance Fellowship Hall will be open
Sunday Morning after Bible study, after
Sunday night worship, and after
Wednesday night Bible Study.
Any other time after that will be by
appointment with one of the leadership
members that has a key.

Boulevard Church of
Christ in Memphis
invites us to attend their
Youth/ Young Adult
Gospel Meeting on July 13th-16th .
Theme: "You Better Recognize"
Ecclesiastes 12



Sunday @ 2 pm . Monday thru
Wednesday 6 pm. Fellowship Meal
following morning worship.
Speakers will be: Bro. Matt Mitchel,
Bro. Christopher Cathey; Bro Ralphelle
Hubbard and Bro. Shobek Dethrow



Oak Grove Meeting
Gospel on July 20-23rd.
Theme: Looking Back To
Go Forward : Studies of the Book of
Daniel. Speaker will be Bro James H
Thompson. Morning Worship at
11 am Lunch will be served with
2:30 pm evening worship. Monday
thru Wednesday nightly at 7 pm.



PRAYER LIST

Sis Jesse Anderson, Teriyaki Anderson,
Janice Cole, Lue Helen Martin, Betty
Jones, Terry Ragland, Gail Barbour,
Marthenia Barbour, Lula Clark, Alsenia Conner, Ann
Cole, Eunice Exum, Jennette Gladney, Ruth Ann
Gray, Francheska Grimes, Angela Harvey, Elizabeth
Harrison, Hattie Johns, Betty Jones, D. Jean Morris,
LaGween McDonald, Everjean Parson, Brenda
Pearson, Farris Phillips, Helen Pirtle, Nella Ray,
Earline Ramson, Barbara Reeves, Loustisha
Richardson, Corene Steele, Rosie Trice, Vanessa
Truelove, Louvenia Walker, Jacqueline Waller,
Bar bara Warlick, Bro. JC Cockrell, Lloyd Johnson,
Albert Jeffries, Sr, Roger Bowles, David Greer,
Richard McClain, Ozie Pearson, Thomas Pirtle, Jr,
George Steele, Daniel Terry, Ray Thomas, William
Kirk, Paul Young are asking for prayers for health,
strength and good test results.



Bro Gordon & Sis Mary Newsome , Sr,
Bro. Emmett & Sis Bobbie Guess,
Bro William & Sis Rose Branick,
Bro James & Sis Hazel Ragland are asking for prayers
for health and strength.

Larry Jones in Rm A106 of West Tennessee Transition
Care. Please pray for health and strength.

Sis Jesse Anderson Jackson General ICU Rm 773
Bro Roger Bowles is in Jackson General Rm
Sis Patricia Kirk is in Jackson General Rm
Bro. Benny Trice is in Jackson General Rm 610



East Jackson Church Family
Please keep our family members in
prayers. Plus those asking for prayers on
behalf of their family and friends who
are dealing with health and medical issues.

Sis Helen Pirtle is asking prayers on behalf of her
granddaughter, Ms. Natsha Thompson for health and
strength. She will be having surgery on next week. This
is the daughter of Bro Steve Thompson in Milwaukee.

Prayer request for teen and chaperones who will be
traveling to the SE Youth Conference in Valdosta, GA.

We have a number of members who will be traveling on
this weekend and upcoming weeks. Please pray for
their safety there and back.

Sis Phyllis Marshall lost her mother-in-
law, Mrs. Harriet Marshall of Jackson.
Services were this past week.



CHURCH CALENDAR JULY 2025

July 26th Back To School Giveaway
@ 9:00 am
Volunteers are needed for out giveaway



July 30th Zone Meeting @ 6:30 pm.



THURSDAY MORNING CLASS will
NOT meet for the entire month of July.
Class will start back around the second
week of August 14, 2025.



NURSES ON CALL FOR
JULY 2025
6th Gwen Ragland & Rita Gray
13th Debra Reed & Kennedy Jackson
20th Debranna Johnson & Johnna Johson
27th Brenda Triplett & Stalita Rivers

If you are unable to serve please give
Sis Judy Williams a call at 731-616-2621

JULY BIRTHDAYS 2025

Judy Holcomb-Savage 14
Nathan Pride
Jo Ann Jones 16
Delorise Boyd 17
Andrew Rivers
Ashlyn Rivers
Charlene Jeanes 18
Johnny Reed



Church Volunteers VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR
ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL
GIVEAWAY on Saturday, July 26th.

We need volunteers to stuff bookbags on
Thursday night, July 24th at 6 pm. Then on
Saturday, July 26th to help pass out bookbags to the
community at 8:30 am. Please sign up if you are
willing and available to help out.

Special Request for teens: You need community
service hours? This would be a great place to start
your journey in getting hours. You can check with
Sis Valerie Dodson or Vicki Biles for more infor-
mation.

Please remember to set your cell phone to vibrate or silent during the worship services.