

PARENTS AND HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR 2025

Boxes for our High School Senior Class of 2025 will be available on Sunday, May 4th - 19th.

Thursday Morning Bible Class

meets at 10 am in the Vance Fellowship Hall. Zoom Meeting ID # 845 419 1034 or call in number is 1 (301) 715 – 8592. YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE FOR MEETING PASSCODE.



Learning To Manage Grief

A class will meet in the Vance Fellowship Hall to offer insights on how to manage and cope with the death of a loved one. This class is open to all (members and

non-members). The class will meet from 10:00 am. The date will be announced.



A Word About Our ALL "All-Call" Notification **System**



In the event of the need to notify the church about cancellations or other important information, a notice will be sent to your cell phone and/or email.

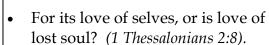
- 1. Please do not call the secretary at home (it is the elders who will notify her about sending notices).
- When you receive a call from the church phone, listen to the message first! It will give you an update. If you call the office in response to the "all-call" notification, your call cannot be answered at that time. Please, listen to the message notification for needed information.



If you have made any change to PHONE and/or EMAIL ADDRESS. PLEASE MARK THEM ON YOUR BACK OF YOUR ATTENDANCE CARD.

Thank you. Your cooperation is appreciated.

For What Will This Church Be Known?



- For its spreading gossip, or its spreading of the gospel? (Mark 16:15).
- For it rudderless drifting, or its strong leadership? (1 Peter 5:1-4).
- For its low ideals, or its lofty goals? (Colossians 3:2).
- For its knowledge of the world, or its knowledge of the Word? (Acts 17:11).
- For its financial limitations, or its generous giving? (2 Corinthians 8:1-6).
- For its comatose Christians, or its many active members? (Ephesians 4:16).
- For its selfish pursuits, or its selfless serving? (*Galatians* 5:13).
- For its internal strife, or its brotherly love? (John 13:34-35).
- For is cold shoulders, or its warm fellowship? (1 Peter 1:22).
- For its living below God's expectations, or its living above the world? (1 John 3:3-6).
- For its helping itself, or its helping the needy? (2 Corinthians 9:12-13).
- For its innovations in worship, or its spiritual and true worship? (John 4:24).
- For its accolade of men, or its glorifying of God? (*Ephesian 3;21*).
- For its stagnation, or its vibrancy? (2Peter 3:18).

For what will this church be known? Actually the question is for what will you be known? Because it you are a member of this church, then the church will be known for these things to the extent that vou are!

> Doug Smith Glad Tidings of Good Things Vol. 12 March 15, 2007

Before you were born, you existed in the mind of God. He decided that the world needed you at a certain time, that there is something for you to do that is different from what any other person will do.

If you can't be trusted in hard places, you can't be trusted in high places.

"The devil is willing for a person to confess Christianity as long as he does not practice it"

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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

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April 27, 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

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Educational Ministry

Thomas Curry

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

A True Christian is Free of Racial Prejudice and Racism

In John chapter 13, Jesus knew His crucifixion was near and jealousy manifested itself in the hearts of some of the apostles (cf. Matt. 20:20-28). Therefore, he used the occasion, the last supper, to teach His apostles a very important lesson. He taught them the need to demonstrate to others that they were His disciples by truly "loving one another" (Jo. 13:34 -35). For this to occur, the apostles had to set aside their differences and unhealthy perceptions of each other. Then Jesus gave one of His "PowerPoint" sermons [He washed their feet] on how to love others. Jesus taught them that you love others is by serving and putting them before yourself. Christianity demands that those who wear the spiritual name promised and given by God to love everybody (Isa. 62:2; Acts 11:26). Christians are to be like God in their treatment of others – free from showing partiality or favoritism (Acts 10:34; Rom. 2:11). Are you a Christian who is free of racial prejudice and racism?

Let's consider several reasons why racial prejudice and racism shouldn't dwell in the hearts of Christians who make up the body of Christ:

- A Christian can't genuinely love God and mistreat or hate another person. In 1 John chapter 4, John explores with his readers the impossibility of loving God whom they had not seen and hating someone whom they had seen. God created us all people (Gen. 1:26; Acts 17:28). Paul tells us that God took "one blood" and made all the people on the earth (Acts 17:26). All people are from one race – Adam and Eve. Christianity insists that Christians love all people, regardless of the person's race or ethnicity.
- Those "in Christ" and who are led by the Holy Spirit realize that all people are equal in God's eyes. Paul tells us in the book of Galatians that all those "in Christ" are equal (Gal. 3:28). Therefore, Christians shouldn't think anyone is racially superior or inferior to another.
- God didn't limit His Son's death to a particular race or ethnic group. God sees us all the same, and created us all the same; thus, He allowed His Son to die for the "world" i.e., all people. Jesus tasted death for "all" people (Heb. 2:9)
- * The second greatest commandment stipulates that a Christian must love his or her neighbor as him or herself (Matt. 22:39; Rom. 13:8; Jas. 2:8). Who is my neighbor? In the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus teaches that my neighbor is any person who is in need (Lk. 10:25-37). Also, if I refuse to help a person because of the person's race or ethnicity, then I have refused to help God (Matt. 25:37ff).

God loves all people; He does not care if your skin is white, black, red, yellow, brown or polka dotted. God help us as Christians to look beyond a person's race; help us to love all people and treat all people fairly. As Christians, we must be free from racial prejudice and racism.

-Samuel Jones -

ORDER OF SERVICES SONG DIRECTOR

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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,

April 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-** Will be meeting in the Vance Fellowship Hall at 5 pm.

National Nurses Week is May 6th-May 12th



We are planning to recognize all our East Jackson Nurses on Sunday, Morning May 4th. We are requesting that ALL the nurses: RNs. LPNs and NAs please provide us with a copy of your earliest individual nursing class picture for a special video presentation on the 4th. This presentation will include our nurses that are currently employed as well as all the retired nurses. The deadline to submit your picture for the presentation is Sunday April 27th.

*Please give your pictures to Judy Williams (731-616-2621) or Gwen Ragland (731-616-8913), or text picture to Anthony Truelove (731-803-9487.

*Please include your name and title with the text.



STATUS Sis Bernice Chatman has Lord." Speaker will be placed membership with Sis Sarah Morton of the

Hwy 231 Church of Christ in Murfrees- Westside Church of boro. Please keep her in our prayers | Church in Vernon, AL. during this transition.

-UPCOMING -**EVENTS**

MEETINGS IN THE AREAS

North Jackson Church of Christ invites us to attend their 2025 Spring Gospel Meeting on April 27-30th. Speaker will Glenn Colley for the week. Special class on Tuesday morning at 10 am. Monday thru Wednesday service at 7pm.

Front St. Church of Christ MEETING in Milan invites us to attend their 2025 Spring Gospel Meeting on May 18-22nd. Sunday lunch will be served at 12:30 PM-2 PM Evening Worship Service at 2:30 PM. Monday thru Thursday nightly at 7 pm. Speaker will be Bro Shobek Dethrow of East Jackson Church of Christ.

LADIES' **PROGRAMS**



Ladies Inspiration Day!! Church of Christ at Sparks Street invites us to attend their program on Saturday,

May 3rd at 9 am. Theme: "Joy In The Journey" Psalm 16:7-9. Speaker will Dr. Tiffany McCutcheon.

Meigg St. Church of Christ in

Corinth, MS. Invites us to attend their Ladies Day Tea Party on Saturday, May 10th at 8:30 am.

Theme: "Fill My Cup,



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

PRAYER LIST



Sis Teriyaki Anderson, Janice Cole, Lue Helen Martin, Betty Jones, Terry Ragland, Jesse Anderson, Gail Barbou 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, Barbara 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 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 Brenda DePriest and Christine Trice are asking prayers for health and strength on behalf of their brother, Mr. Benny Trice. Bro. Richard DePriest is asking prayer for his brother, Mr. Dewey DePriest who is in Jackson General.

Sis Lula Clark is requesting prayers for her daughter, Ms. Loretta Pearson Holder of Indianapolis, IN. She is in the hospital and is suffering from some very serious and complicated illness.



Bro Johnathan Monroe lost his grandmother in Alabama. He is asking for traveling grace there and back.

Continue to pray for those who recently lost loved ones.

We have a number of members who will be traveling on this weekend. They are asking for prayer for safe travel there and back.



NURSES ON CALL FOR APRIL 2025

Brenda Triplett & Stalita Rivers

Debra Reed & Kennedy Johnson

20th Angelina Brown & Kim Whitmore

27th Debranna Johnson & Johnna Johnson

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

APRIL BIRTHDAYS 2025

Jerry Truelove CherRonda Walker Lorraine Browder Nagesha Grav

Thomas & Luster "Ree" Pirtle, Jr will celebrate their

Richard & Alethea McClain will celebrate their 53rd Wedding Anniversary on April 28th.

51st Wedding Anniversary on April 27th.

Anthony & Telisha Truelove, Jr will celebrate their 7th Wedding Anniversary on April 28th.

Lue Helen & Louis Martin will celebrate their 54th Wedding Anniversary on April 30th.

MAY BIRTHDAYS 2025

Nancy Luton Bobbie Rayer Eunice Exum Michael Carruthers Bobby Edwards Kabria McGoughy



CONGRAULATIONS TO:



Sis Gabriella Hurt who will graduate on May 3rd from Tennessee State University with a degree in Political Science. also

she is on the Dean's List. She is the daughter of Bro. James Hurts, Jr.