



Hoover Church of Christ

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Matthew 6:21

July 31, 2022

Short fuse?

Most of us struggle with anger occasionally . . . and some of us more often than that. An aggressive driver cuts you off in traffic. A boss blames you for her mistake. You trip over your child's toys, which he left out . . . again. Your spouse forgets to pick up your daughter from soccer practice.

One response may come naturally. Lose your cool. Blow up. Hurl the insults like daggers.

It feels good, doesn't it? At least temporarily. But of course it's not right, and it's not helpful at all.

The New Testament presents a consistent warning about human anger. Here's a short sample:

But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth (Colossians 3:8).

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice (Ephesians 4:31).

But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment . . . (Matthew 5:22).

For I fear that perhaps when I come I may find you not as I wish, and that you may find me not as you wish—that perhaps there may be quarreling, jealousy, anger, hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder (2 Corinthians 12:20).

Now the works of the flesh are evident: . . . fits of anger, . . . (Galatians 5:19-20).

In the Colossians passage above, Paul chastises the believers by telling them, in essence, "You've got to get rid of your anger. You may have acted that way before you followed Christ, but now you've got a new identity."

Some of you probably don't need this, but a few of you may. Take some time and reflect on these passages. Ask God to use them to search your heart for traces of anger and bitterness that you may have ignored.

Ask him to forgive you for letting your anger lead you to mistreat people.

Ask him to replace it with patience, love, and kindness.

He may convict you to apologize to your spouse, kids, or coworkers.

I've heard people brag about their quick tempers before. "I've got a short fuse," they say. "People know not to push the wrong buttons with me."

What they don't recognize is that short fuses don't glorify God.

Got a quick temper? God wants to help you get rid of it.

—Chuck

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

9:00 a.m. Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Worship
5:00 p.m. Worship

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Bible Class

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Carl Logan	979-9874
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Worship Assignments Sunday

Elder to Contact in July for Needs:
Jimmy Lyles

Sunday AM and PM

Greeters, AM:

Front Lobby: Bill Laughmiller

Handicap Lobby: Nancy Griner

Back Lobby: Jason McKeown

Ushers, AM: Jim Petruzella and
Darren Hicks

Call to Worship: Jerry Culbertson

Scripture Reading: Clint Richey

Singing

AM: Kyle Wadley

PM: Congregational Singing

Opening Prayer

AM: Darrell Smith

PM: Wes Blankenship

AM Sermon: Jerry Culbertson

Communion

AM: Bob Brooks

PM: Jonathan Weimer

Announcements: Harold Rhodes

Closing Prayer

AM: Phillip Searcy

PM: Ben Vick

Audio/Cameras: Rick Williams

Alternate: Will Spurlin

Video: Chad Blackmon

Security: Steven Gaither

Alternate: George Faison

Bible Reading Plan for July 31-August 7

Sunday, July 31: Isaiah 13-17

Monday, August 1: Isaiah 18-22

Tuesday, August 2: Isaiah 23-27

Wednesday, August 3: Isaiah 28-30

Thursday, August 4: Isaiah 31-35

Friday, August 5: Isaiah 36-39

Saturday, August 6: Isaiah 40-44

Sunday, August 7: Isaiah 45-48



Today

Visitors, welcome to our worship service this morning—we're thankful you're here. Please fill out a visitor's card that is located in the pew. We would like to know where you're visiting from.

Sunday morning Bible classes are available for all ages. Adult classes are in the Auditorium and Library.

The Food Pantry will be open today from 3:00-4:30pm. Volunteers will not be needed at this time—thank you for supporting this ministry.

Worship Service for the AHEPA 3 Senior Apartments is at 3:30pm at 3320 Old Columbiana Road in Hoover.

Tonight at 5:00pm: Please join us in the auditorium for congregational singing.

Members, don't forget to contact **Vickie Cotney**, mamac@cotney.com, to have your family picture taken.

This Summer's Short-Term Mission Trips

We're thankful that our congregation has a heart for souls all over the world, and we want to pray for members of our congregation who are spending part of their summer blessing—and being blessed by—the good people of Tanzania, Guyana, and The Philippines. Please pray for these members:

- **Sid Aultman** will be in Tanzania for several more weeks.
- **Bill Rayburn and Teresa Hicks** are in Manila and will be returning home tomorrow.
- **April Winningham** is returning home from Tanzania today; **Harold and Donna Rhodes** are in Tanzania for several more days.

We also appreciate the congregation for your financial support of all of these good works.

Happy Anniversary

Johnny & Beverly Johnson	August 1
Joel & Chè Abbott	August 2

Proverbs 9:11

"For by me your days will be multiplied, and years will be added to your life."

Happy Birthday

Ben Vick	July 31
Sue Ann Myers	August 1
Paul Kirby	August 1
Julianne McKeown	August 3
John Davis	August 5
Ashton Henry	August 6
Gavin Weimer	August 6

Sunday Evenings at Hoover

In addition to our classes and worship services on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights, we are providing many opportunities on Sunday evenings over the course of 2022. Here's what we have planned:

- **First Sunday of each month:** Faith in Action (opportunity to serve our community in some way; Bible study in the church auditorium will also be provided)
- **Second Sunday:** Pray and sing and read Scripture together in the auditorium
- **Third Sunday:** Learn in a Bible class in the auditorium
- **Fourth Sunday:** Spend time at home with friends and/or family (worship opportunity provided in the auditorium as well)
- **Fifth Sunday:** Sing together in the auditorium

Galatians 3:28

"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

Carelines

Paul Williams III had surgery to correct an AVM on his brain. The surgery was more involved than expected, and he will have another procedure in about a month. Please pray for these surgeries to be successful.

Virgie Banks is having surgery on August 15 to remove her parathyroid.

Jeanne Anderson restarted her chemotherapy, and she will have another treatment in September. Please pray these treatments will be effective.

Dick Smith is recovering from surgery due to an infection in his foot. Please pray for his healing.

Please keep Marlon and Linda Crow in your prayers. Linda is in long-term care at Fair Haven due to a continued decline in her condition.

Joyce Baker, one of our shut-ins, had a fall several weeks ago and is still in a lot of pain. Please pray that the pain will subside, and she will feel better soon.

Joy Jones, Jennifer Dalton's mother, has uterine cancer and is now undergoing chemotherapy. Please pray for her comfort and healing as she proceeds with these treatments.

Doug Abbott, Joel Abbott's dad, is suffering with Parkinson's disease. Please pray for his health and also for Joel's mother, Cathy, as she cares for him.

Jane Spivey, Rex Anderson's sister, is undergoing chemo treatments.

Patrick Nichols, Lynne Nichols' son, had a stump revision—please pray for his recovery to go well.

Richard Lawson, Alyssa Long's dad, is battling Stage 4 Kidney cancer. Please pray for his health and comfort.

Remember our shut-ins: Lynne Nichols, Nancy Williams, and Joyce Baker.

Remember our church family: Corey Covington, Doyal Newsom, Edward Curry, and Gail Powell.

Remember our families and friends: Janice Renfro (a resident at the AHEPA 3 Senior Apartments), Mary Stewart (Jason & Tiffany McKeown's friend), Charlie Pflueger (Tom Kidwell's dad), Hillary Wright (Janie Gaither's friend), Sue Adams (Denia Petruzella's aunt), Charlie Davis (Leah Covington's dad), and Dean Kendrick (Markie Jones' grandmother).

12 Bible Facts About the Church of Christ

1. It was established by Jesus the Christ (Matthew 16; 18).

2. It was purchased with the blood of Christ (Acts 20:28).

3. It was the culmination of God's eternal purpose (Ephesians 3:8-12).

4. It began in the city of Jerusalem in c. A.D. 30 (Luke 24:46-49; Acts 1:8; 2:1-4; 47).

5. Its foundation is the deity of Christ (Matthew 16:16-18; 1 Corinthians 3:11).

6. Its head is Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:18).

7. It is singular (one of a kind) (Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 4:4; Colossians 1:18).

8. It is composed of all who have been saved from sins by obeying the gospel (Acts 2:37-47; 18:8; Romans 6:16-18).

9. Its organization is in harmony with Scripture—autonomous congregations overseen by elders and served by deacons (Philippians 1:1; Acts 14:23; 1 Timothy 3:1-14).

10. It wears names/descriptors that honor the One who planned it from all eternity (God) and the One who brought it into existence (Christ), reflecting its divine nature (2 Thessalonians 1:3-4; Romans 16:16; Colossians 1:13-14; 18).

11. Its worship consist only of the acts that the New Testament authorizes, not the traditions and commandments of men (John 4:24; 17:17; Colossians 3:17; Acts 2:42; Matthew 15:7-9).

12. Its law of entrance is that set forth in the New Testament, consisting of what a responsible person must do to be saved from sin (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16-15-16; Acts 2:37-41, 47; Colossians 1:13).

—Hugh Fulford

"The churches of Christ greet you."
—Romans 16:16

Attendance and Offering July 24, 2022

Attendance:

Bible Study: 151

AM Worship: 248

PM Worship: 43

Wednesday: 89

Contribution: \$15,127.13

Weekly Budget: \$15,050.00

Weekly Average: \$14,419.14

Contribution to Date: \$432,574.13

Hoover Supported Works

- *Childhaven, Cullman, AL*
- *Rainbow Omega, Eastaboga, AL*
- *Churches of Christ Disaster Relief*
- *George Funk, Gospel Chariot Missions, South Africa*
- *Cy Walker, Guyana*
- *Clothing Closet*
- *Food Pantry*
- *Guyana*
- *Tanzania*
- *Philippines*

Mission Trips

- *Guyana*
- *Tanzania*
- *Philippines*
- *Peru*

Oversight

- *Christ Happy Childhaven, Philippines*
- *Tanzania Missions*

Jeremiah 29:7

"Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper."

**“Get Out of the Boat!”
(Matthew 14:23-29)**

GriefShare Ministry

We recently had our last meeting of our first **GriefShare** group, and we believe God used our time together to bless everyone who attended. As we move forward, we’re planning to make this ministry available to people outside of our congregation—whether they’re followers of Jesus or not. We believe that God might use us to help people in our community to realize how much God loves them and how he wants to care for them in their time of grief.

We’re looking forward to beginning a new group on Saturday, October 1, from 10-12, and we’ll meet every Saturday at the same time, finishing on December 31. If you’re struggling with grief, please plan to be a part of this new group. If you have a friend, family member, neighbor, or co-worker who you think might benefit from attending, please let them know about this ministry. We would welcome them.

This ministry is organized around a thirteen-week small-group program where participants meet together for around two hours each week and watch professionally-designed videos featuring professional grief counselors as well as people who are grieving. These presentations are coupled with discussions that are designed to internalize what participants learn in the videos. Please reach out to Harold or Donna Rhodes, Teresa Hicks, Kyle Wadley, or Chuck Webster for more information, or you can visit <https://www.griefshare.org/>.



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