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

Matthew 6:21

August 27, 2023

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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

ELDERS

979-9874 Carl Logan Jimmy Lyles 616-1109 Paul Williams, Jr. 408-7234 Harold Rhodes 876-9296

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Worship Assignments

Elder to Contact in August for Needs: Paul Williams, Jr.

Sunday AM and PM

Greeters: Front Lobby: Bill Laughmiller

Handicap Lobby: Nancy Griner

Back Lobby: Corey & Leah Covington

Usher, AM: Jeff Church **Nursery:** Deebe Taylor

Call to Worship: Merv Prince **Scripture Reading:** Will Spurlin

Singing:

AM: Kyle Wadley PM: Marlon Crow Opening Prayer:

AM: Mark Lackey **PM:** Merv Prince

AM Sermon: Merv Prince

Communion:

AM: Wes Blankenship

Announcements: Harold Rhodes

Closing Prayer: AM: Stephen King PM: Micah Fantroy

Audio/Cameras: Clint Richey Alternate: Grant Dalton Video: Marc Handley Security: Daniel Warren Alternate: Steven Gaither

Bible Reading Plan for August 27-September 3

Sunday, August 27: Ezekiel 1-4
Monday, August 28: Ezekiel 5-8
Tuesday, August 29: Ezekiel 9-12
Wednesday, August 30: Ezekiel 13-15
Thursday, August 31: Ezekiel 16-17
Friday, September 1: Ezekiel 18-20
Saturday, September 2: Ezekiel 21-22
Sunday, September 3: Ezekiel 23-24



Today

Visitors, welcome to our worship service this morning—we're glad 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.

Bible Classes for Adults: Steve Cotney is teaching in the Auditorium on the book of *Ecclesiastes—The Meaning of Life*, and Chuck Webster and Donnie Winningham are teaching in the Library on the book of *Romans*.

Bible Class for the Young Professionals and College Students (Millennials and Gen Z) is in the fellowship hall downstairs.

We have a **Staffed Nursery** available during our morning worship service for children two years old and under.

The Food Pantry is open today from 3:00-4:30pm.

This is our fourth Sunday evening of the month, and we encourage everyone to join in with friends and/or family at home for a time of devotion and fellowship. For those who prefer to attend a service at the church building, it will start at 5:00pm. This evening the message will be presented by Wade Warren.

News and Events

Please welcome **Sean and Anita Hochdorf** to our Hoover family! They placed membership with us last Sunday.

All Hoover Ladies and their friends are invited to attend our Tuesday afternoon Ladies Bible Class beginning in September. The class is every Tuesday at 1:30pm in the Sr. High classroom, and it lasts about one hour. The teachers are Denia Petruzella, Leah Covington, and Jamie Powell. This year, we will be learning How to Study the Bible, and then we will use this method to study several books in the Old and New Testaments. Class will begin on September 19.

News and Events Cont.

questions.

first fun night will be **Kickball and Hot Dogs** and will be at the church building
on Saturday, September 9, from 58pm. You can find **more info and RSVP** at
the following link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094fa8a62ba3f5c16-k5th. Please
see **Jonathan Weimer** if you have any

K-5th Fun: We are starting Fun Nights

once a month for the K-5th graders. Our

We are having a **Baby Shower for Shelby Sandlin** on Sunday, September 10, from 2:00-4:00pm. She is registered at http://www.babylist.com/list/babysandlin2.

The Art of Soul Winning: Text Jeff Melton at 205-427-3857 with an "S" for Soul Winning Team or an "R" for Retention Team. Please include your name in the text.

Happy Anniversary

Quincy & April Collins August 27

Happy Birthday

Elizabeth Searcy August 28
Jeff Melton August 29
Kaleb Findley August 29
Easton Clark August 30
Bridget Johnson August 31

Youth

Sunday, September 3: In-home Youth Devotional from 6:00-8:30pm

Sunday, September 10: PEARLS Meeting at 6:00pm

Wednesday, September 13: Iron Sharpening Iron from 5:30-7:00pm

Friday, September 15: Fifth Quarter Fun Night from 9:30pm-midnight

Sunday, September 17: Area-Wide Devotional at Hoover CoC

Carelines

Bob Brooks is having lower back surgery on Thursday, August 31, at Grandview Medical Center.

Mike Creely is having the hole in his heart repaired at UAB on Thursday, August 31.

Margaret White, Kori White's mother, has been transferred to St. Martin in the Pines, Cottage A, Room 106.

Darren Brooks, Bob and Joy Brooks' son, will be having his 15th chemo treatment on Tuesday, August 29.

Melody Warbington requests prayers for family members who live in TN, and they are all members of the church. Wesley Cook, Melody's niece, has a rare diagnosis that breaks down muscle tissue, can cause damage to the kidneys, and is sometimes lifethreatening. Carole McMahan, Melody's aunt, has dementia and other health issues, and her cousin, Mary Davis (95 years old), is in the hospital with multiple health issues.

Janice Renfroe, a resident at the AHEPA 3 Apartments, has a spot on her left lung. She fears that it could be cancer since she had surgery for cancer in her right lobe last year. She will be tested on Tuesday, September 12.

Eddie Williams, Leah Covington's stepdad, had surgery to remove all of the bladder cancer. He was then able to finish his chemo and radiation treatments for his lung cancer. A PET Scan has been scheduled.

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

Remember our church family: Marla Troughton, Giana Kidwell, Dick Smith, Jeanne Anderson, and Gail Powell.

Remember our families and friends: Debbie Pressnell (Brooke Williams' mom), Sharon Houghton (Jennifer Lackey's mom), Jerry Moss (Sondra Moss' husband), Doug and Cathy Abbott (Joel Abbott's parents), Chris Hethcox (Markie Jones' dad), Jane Spivey (Rex Anderson's sister), Joy Jones (Jennifer Dalton's mom), and Richard Lawson (Alyssa Long's dad).

Hezekiah

Hezekiah was a breath of fresh air among the kings of Judah during the divided kingdom of Israel. He "did what was right in the eyes of the Lord." He tore down idols in the land and reinstated the worship practices that God had instituted. He "trusted in God so that there was none like him among the kings of Judah after him nor before him" (2 Kings 18:3-5).

He didn't get his goodness from his dad. Hezekiah was the son of the wicked King Ahaz, who pretty much ruled in the opposite manner. His story reminds me that you are your father's son, but you don't have to BE your father. Because Hezekiah put God first in everything he did, God prospered him and granted him success in his endeavors (2 Kings 18:6-7). A defining moment for him was when he faced a great Assyrian threat and immediately sought God's word on the situation. Then, he took all the info he had and took it to God in prayer: "Now, Lord our God, deliver us from his hand, so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you alone, Lord, are God" (2 Kings 19:14-19). God reassured him that the Assyrian king would never enter Jerusalem. God is always faithful. In this case, He sent an angel and killed 185,000 Assyrians . . . and sent the rest of the army packing in a panic.

Later, Hezekiah became very sick. Isaiah told him to set things in order and prepare to die (2 Kings 20:1). But Hezekiah prayed, beseeching God to be merciful and to remember all the good he had done. He wasn't ready to die. Perhaps he saw how much more there was to do in Judah to restore reverence and respect for God within the people. Listen to God's heartfelt response to Hezekiah's plea: "I have heard your prayer; I have seen your tears. Behold, I will heal you" (2 Kings 20:5). So, before Isaiah had even left the king's house, God told him to tell Hezekiah that his prayer had been heard and that his life would be extended fifteen years.

Remember today that God is loving, merciful, and so powerful. We can't even add an hour to our lives . . . but God can and did for Hezekiah (Matthew 6:27). Trust in Him. Lean on Him. He is the same God yesterday, today, and forever.

—Darrell

Attendance and Offering August 20, 2023

Attendance: Bible Study: 178 AM Worship: 272 PM Worship: 124 Wednesday: 188

Contribution: \$12,443.34 Weekly Budget: \$14,280.00 Weekly Average: \$15,085.78 Contribution to Date: \$512,916.49

Hoover Supported Works

- Childhaven, Cullman, AL
- Rainbow Omega, Eastaboga, AL
- Churches of Christ Disaster Relief
- Cy Walker, Guyana
- Clothing Closet
- Food Pantry
- Guyana
- Tanzania
- Philippines

Mission Trips

- Guyana
- Tanzania
- Philippines
- Peru

Oversight

- Christ Happy Childhaven, Philippines
- Tanzania Missions

Philippians 1:5

". . . in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now."

GriefShare Ministry

GriefShare Ministry: So many people in our congregation (and beyond) have experienced significant losses in their lives, so we're thankful to be able to offer GriefShare Ministry. 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 and also people who are grieving. These presentations are coupled with discussions that are designed to internalize what participants learn in the videos. If you think this ministry might help you process your loss, please reach out to Harold Rhodes, Kyle Wadley, or Chuck Webster for more information, or you can visit https://www.griefshare.org/.





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