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“For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our LORD, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel: Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.”

2 Timothy 1:7-12

## WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAYS @ 8:00 A.M.  
DRIVE-UP WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAYS @ 9:15 A.M.  
BIBLE STUDY (ALL AGES)

SUNDAYS @ 10:30 A.M.  
WORSHIP IN AUDITORIUM  
(AVAILABLE ON CHURCH APP  
SUNDAY AFTERNOON)

WEDNESDAYS @ 7:00 P.M.  
ADULT BIBLE STUDY IN  
SMALL FELLOWSHIP HALL  
YOUTH BIBLE STUDY AND  
RA'S, GA'S & MISSION FRIENDS

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# Welcome

### October

Ray Marnett

### December

Alexis Lavigne

### January

Wendell Rhodes

Zara Jenkins

### February

Avie Thompson

John Parker Hughes

Caroline Hughes

Cade Rogers

Steele Rogers

### March

Durward Bernard

Gilbert Cooper

Rhett Bernard

### May

John Grove

David Cato

Cheryl Cato

### June

Eon Fedele

Arlen Jenkins

Gayle Jenkins

George Bass

Kathy Bass

Joe Najolia

Joda Najolia

### July

Keegan Kahl

Diedre McCarra

Justin McCarra

Noah Fedele

John “JP” Sharp

Deborah Sharp

Sydney Galloway

### August

Beth Langley

Stephen Gancarcik, Jr.

Susan Gancarcik

Aldon Barletto

Tontinette Barletto

# New Zion News

New Zion Baptist Church  
17387 New Zion Church Road  
“The Place to Begin Again”  
September 2020



FROM YOUR SENIOR PASTOR'S PEN

We are planning to have a revival meeting September 20-23. Bro. Gary Bowlin will be preaching and Bro. John Wells will be leading our music. My prayer is that it isn't just a series of services, but a TRUE revival. Isaiah 57:15 says “For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.” God tells us in this verse those He will revive. Those who are humble and those who are contrite.

Webster gives the definition of humble as “reflecting, expressing, or offered in a spirit of deference or submission.” It means what Jesus said, “to deny ourself, take up our cross daily and follow Him.” To be satisfied never being noticed or praised by man. To be submissive to authority, willingly. To give over our rights for the glory of God in service of others. To be contrite means to be “broken and penitent” over our sin. God says only those who are never self-seeking and those who are broken over their sin will have revival. Humility means we don't easily get our feelings hurt and aren't fault finding in others. Are we ready for a real revival? We must be broken and humble, then God promises He will revive us. May our prayer be as the psalmist penned it in Psalm 85 verse 6, “Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee.” Oh God, send Revival!

You are loved,  
Bro. Clark

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**FROM YOUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR/MINISTER OF MUSIC** School is back in session, or will be soon for those reading this. Let's pray that God helps EVERYONE thru this strange new way of doing school, including our school workers, students and, yes, parents too! I believe that God wants His children to be well-educated so they can better know, love and serve Him. God has really been blessing our church with new additions, in spite of the fact that there is pandemic going on. Please be sure to welcome those new to our church family as you have opportunity. And, as we pray together for the soon end of this pandemic and the health workers and service personnel in harm's way, aka our "heroes," let's continue to pray for the many who've lost loved ones as a result of it.

PLEASE continue to pray for our revival services, September 20-23. Bro. John Wells will be leading us into the presence of God thru music, where Dr. Gary Bowlin will be preaching the truth of the Word of God! Please pray for another great move of God.

Our 10:30 service is now being broadcasted LIVE on the internet thru our website, app, and Facebook page. It will also be there afterwards for you to watch anytime. Please tell your neighbors who are still self-quarantined to tune in.

NOTE: All of our revival services, starting with our 10:30 service thru Wednesday night will be live on the internet for those who cannot attend or live away from here. Please let **all** of your friends and family know. God is working in the midst of this pandemic. Wouldn't it be something if more people got saved at a revival during a pandemic than at any other time in our church's history?!

Sharing His love through music and move, ALL to HIS glory alone,  
Bro. Toby

**FROM YOUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR/ADMINISTRATOR** Sunday School or what I personally prefer to call Bible study did not begin as a function of the church until the late 1700s. In this article I want us to consider three aspects of Jesus' growth found in the gospel of Luke. "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men (Luke 2:52 NIV). God would have it that we Christians move past the milk of the gospel, coming to a relationship with Jesus as Lord and Savior, and grow to the point of leading others to receive that same free gift from God. Let's look at Jesus' progress in growing as a leader.

**1. One must grow in and through a weekly time of corporate worship.**  
When Jesus returned to Nazareth, where He grew up, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood before the people and began to read. (Luke 4:16) What does this say about Jesus? He was committed to worshiping God and a person of extreme devotion. One of the main characteristics of a leader is Discipline. If Jesus regularly participated in worship how much more should we today be actively attending worship services? It should be in our **DNA**. If you want to be like Jesus, you must be devoted to corporate worship.

**2. One must be committed to personal devotion.**  
"But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed" (Luke 5:16). Not only did Jesus spend time worshipping God with others, He spend time alone with God. He prayed to and heard directly from God the Father. We call this a "**quiet time**" today. The only way to develop a relationship with anyone is to spend time with that person. Jesus had an intimate relationship with His Father because He spent time with Him alone. To grow as a spiritual leader one must spend time with God alone.

**3. One must realize the importance of spending time with other believers in small groups.**  
Intimate relationships can't be made in large groups of people. Only in small groups can one develop relationships that are supportive and meaningful. Jesus chose twelve and got to know them as brothers. Small groups are where questions can be asked, issues discussed, and accountability can take place. Bible study is the best place for this to take place in our culture today. Fellowshiping and studying with like-minded people. A leader participates in spending time with other believers.

Consider these three aspects of Jesus' life and compare them to yours. Are you committed to corporate worship? Does your presence verify your commitment? Do you have a quiet time with God? Your relationship with God is in direct proportion to the amount of time you spend with Him. Do you attend a small group Bible study? If so, are you faithful in attendance? You will never grow as much as you could grow without small groups being a part of your life.

In His Service,  
Bro. David

**FROM YOUR YOUTH MINISTER** Dear Church Family,

Have you ever stepped back and thought about gratitude as a spiritual discipline? During a time where there are more unknowns than ever before, we must not miss the opportunity to be reminded of the small gifts God has, and continues to bless us with. Remember the story of the 10 lepers that Jesus healed back in Luke 17? If you recall the story, what you'll find is only one of those lepers he healed came back and expressed to Jesus his gratitude for the miracle. The Bible says, "When he saw he was healed, he came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him: and he was a Samaritan" (v.15-16). Be reminded during this season, that gratitude is a pathway to God. "Practiced as a spiritual discipline, gratitude realigns us to the Giver and increases His activity in our lives" ("Why Gratitude Is A Spiritual Discipline"). When we begin to live our lives in constant surrender to His sovereignty, we begin to express our thanks to Him in ways we never would have imagined. In doing so, we open ourselves up to the grace of Jesus. Don't let Covid19 be a statistic, don't let it be a cause of anxiety, but draw near to God during this time and live lives of gratitude like never before.

Our Student Ministry has resumed Wednesday night activities and will continue to do so. Encourage your students to plug into the body of Christ. Christian community is essential to Christian growth, especially right now. Although it has been a testing time, we want to give opportunity for Christian community within the church, not knowing how long we may be able to meet. Be in prayer for our students as they plug back into the local church and begin school shortly. We want our church and community to know that we are here for you. Continue to mobilize for the kingdom and God will fruitfully bless your efforts.

Thanks and be blessed!

In Christ,  
*Christopher Blanton*

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** Believe it or not school has started for several of our children and the rest are about to start their 2020/2021 school year. I know all of our teachers, parents and most of our children remember how last year ended with the beginning of COVID-19 hitting us in March. This year has been the longest Summer vacation for students ever on record during modern times. Just listening in the halls you will hear parents, children, students and even a few teachers talking about how they are ready to get back to school. To be honest parents are probably the most excited of all. Well, that being said we are slowly getting our regular activities here at the church back on schedule. Beginning with the nursery being provided for both morning worship services and Bible study hour to scheduling more activities for our children. One "**big**" activity coming up in September is "Glow Night." See the announcement at the bottom of this page. More activities will be planned in the future. Be sure your children and grandchildren are plugged in so they can have the opportunity to have a great time with fun, food and fellowship. But even more importantly hear the "GOOD NEWS" concerning God's love through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

In His Service,  
Bro. David

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***Keep Connected!***

**To:** Our Sunday Morning Worship Services, Experience Sunday Bible Studies for all ages and our Wednesday evenings Bible Study for Adults plus all future announcements. ***Through Our:***

**Webpage:** [www.newzion.net](http://www.newzion.net)  
**Church App:** Download the **TITHE.LY Church App.**  
**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/newzioncovington](http://www.facebook.com/newzioncovington)  
**YouTube:** Go to YouTube and search for: New Zion Baptist Church Covington Louisiana

**Bible Study Schedule**

As of now we are offering Bible study classes for all age groups. We need your help in our preschool area. If you are willing to volunteer to be placed on a rotation list to serve in this area, please contact the church office. Even the smallest of our church family need to hear God's message through music and experience God's love through others showing them the love of God. Please prayerfully consider helping in this special area.

Workers are needed to help in the nursery for 9:15 a.m. Bible Study and the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If you are willing to volunteer in this area on a rotating basis please contact the church office at 985-892-4711.

Mid-Week Prayer meetings and Wednesday night Missions Organizations (RA's, GA's & Mission Friends) have resumed on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Small Fellowship Hall and in the Family Ministry Center.

**Worship Services**  
**Sundays @ 8:00 a.m.**  
**Drive-Up Worship Service**  
**Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.**  
**Worship in Auditorium**  
**\*(live streamed)\***  
**Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m.**  
**Adult Bible Study in**  
**Small Fellowship Hall.**  
**Youth Bible Study and**  
**RA's, GA's & Mission**  
**Friends meet in the FMC.**

***Celebrate Recovery***  
***Mondays @ 7:00 p.m.***

**Church Office Closed Monday, September 7th.**  
**Men's Breakfast ~ Sunday, September 13th @ 7:00 a.m.**  
**Blessing of the Hunt "Drive-n-Park"**  
**Stay in vehicle to watch/listen**  
**Radio Channel 87.9 FM ~ Live Stream [newzion.net/BOTH](http://newzion.net/BOTH)**  
**Thursday, September 17th @ 6:30 p.m.**

**Revival ~ September 20th-23rd ~ 7:00 p.m.**  
**Dr. Gary Bowlin, Preaching ~ Bro. John Wells, Leading Worship**

**Children's "Glow Night" Shining Lights in the Darkness**  
**Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. ~ FMC Gym**  
**Wear clothes & accessories that glow in the dark!!**  
**We will eat Pizza! We will play a variety of Games & Activities!**

**Lord's Supper & Benevolence Offering**  
**Sunday, September 27th ~ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**

**SEPTEMBER MEETINGS**  
**Stewardship Committee Meetings**  
 Sundays, September 13, 20 & 27 @ 3:00 PM  
**Church Council Meeting**  
 Monday, September 14 @ 7:00 PM  
**Deacons' Meeting**  
 Sunday, September 27 @ 6:00 PM

**From The Pastor, Staff & Church Office**  
 We want to stay connected to each member, but we do not have all of the correct information we need to stay connected. Please email the church at [newzion@newzion.net](mailto:newzion@newzion.net) and give your email and phone contacts (new address if applicable) so we can update our information. You may also call the church office at 985-892-4711 with your information. Thank You!