

The Family Tree



The Weekly Bulletin of Cox Boulevard Church of Christ – A Place To Call Home

MAN'S BEST FRIEND

“A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity” (Proverbs 17:17).

Americans love their pets. A recent report claimed that we spend more than \$60 billion annually on them. Among all of the animals one can have as a pet, dogs are different. More than any other, canines become more attached to their human owner than to those with which it shares its DNA. Two recent studies point towards evidence that many people love them more than our fellow humans. One study pitched two fictitious campaigns to “Save Harrison from a slow painful death.” One poster featured a dog named Harrison and the other an adult male. Guess which one received the most donations. Another study demonstrated that between an adult, an infant child, and a dog, people expressed more empathy for a victimized dog than for the other two.

What an awful indictment of mankind's misplaced affections. Certainly, we should demonstrate care for God's creatures as He Himself does ([Psalm 104:10-14](#), [Matthew 6:26](#)). But of all of God's works, only man is said to be created in God's own image ([Genesis 1:26-27](#)). Jesus explained that not a single sparrow falls to the ground apart from God's watch, nor is forgotten by our Heavenly Father ([Luke 12:6](#)) but men are far more valuable still in the divine economy ([Matthew 10:31](#), [12:12](#)).

Christians desire to befriend men so that they may be successful in our Great Commission ([Matthew 28:18-20](#)). But to make friends with other men we must be friendly ourselves ([Proverbs 18:24](#)). We go beyond merely loving those who love us ([Matthew 5:46-47](#)), reaching out to all men and women who enter into our sphere. Thomas Aquinas said, “There is nothing on this earth more to be prized than true friendship.” Perhaps the penultimate example of such a relationship is exemplified in David and Jonathan. Scripture records that the soul of Jonathan was knit to David's ([1 Samuel 18:1](#)) and David loved Jonathan more than even any of his wives ([2 Samuel 1:26](#)).

But God desires for us to not only have a righteous, loving friendship with our fellow man; more so, He desires for us to be His friends as well. Abraham was a man of great faith and was said to be a friend of God ([Isaiah 41:8](#), [James 2:23](#)). What better friend could any man have?

The greatest demonstration of friendship in the history of the world is Christ's love for you and me. He said, “Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends” ([John 15:13](#)).

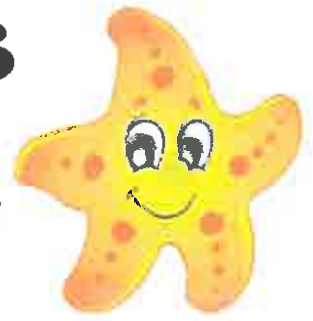


YBS 2018

UNDER THE SEA

Diving Deep into God's Word

JUNE 10-13 from 6-8PM



- Sunday Night: Noah and the Flood Waters (Genesis 6-8)
- Monday Night: Moses and the Parting Waters (Exodus 14-15)
- Tuesday Night: Jonah and the Merciful Waters (Jonah 1-4)
- Wednesday Night: Jesus Walking on the Waters (Matthew 14:22-33)

Classes for all ages.

There will also have guest speakers teaching 6th-12th grade.

Prizes will be awarded to the boy and the girl that bring the most visitors!

Invite your friends and family to join us!!

There will be a guest speaker each night for the adults followed by refreshments in the Tea Room.

Sunday Night: Wayne Kilpatrick (Heritage Place Church of Christ)

Monday Night: Kirk Brothers (Heritage Christian University)

Tuesday Night: Justin Pannell (Sherrod Ave Church of Christ)

Wednesday Night: Josh Webster (UNA Christian Student Center)

Each evening, everyone will meet in the auditorium together at 6pm before we divide up into our classes. You will need to go to the grade level you just completed. Everyone will need to enter each evening through the main doors at the front of the building by the auditorium. All of the other doors around the building will be locked for security purposes.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Tommy Aday was scheduled for surgery to remove tumor in his small intestine on Monday.

Jean Whitaker has been in the hospital recently.

Jeremy Williams' surgery has been postponed.

SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy to Helen, Randy, Becky, Belle Burney and family on the passing of Jimmy. The funeral was last week.

We express our sympathy to Sandra Harris and family on the passing of her husband, David. The funeral was last week.

EVENTS

This Wednesday night will be the 5th Wednesday night. There will be no children's class.

There will be a short meeting in the Tea Room for parents and kids 5th – 12th grade, after Sunday evening service on June 3rd.

After the evening service on Sunday, June 3, the College & Young Professionals Class will have a cook-out at the pavilion. All of the high school seniors are invited to join us!

Meals on Wheels will be June 5th – 8th. Sign-up on bulletin board, if you can help.

Mark your calendar for VBS.....June 10th – 13th from 6-8pm. Contact Landon if you want to help decorate and/or teach. We need the canopy tents again for VBS. Contact church office, if you have one we can borrow.

The College and Young Professionals Class will be collecting money to buy peanut butter for the kids in Haiti. We are NOT collecting peanut butter. We are only collecting money. If you would like to contribute towards this effort, you can give your money to Ariel McManus or Wade Hunt.

The Annual Cole's Chicken Stew will be Saturday, June 16th.

The 12th Annual
 Back to the Bible Summer Campaign
 will be June 15-22 at the
 University church of Christ in Mobile, AL.
 Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board.

The Commitment Sheet is in the foyer on the bulletin board. We need one for each person going to Mobile this summer. If under 19 and parents aren't going will need the POA signed.

KIDS FOR CHRIST SUMMER SCHEDULE

Every Tuesday during the months of June and July, the Kids for Christ group will have an activity together. The details of each activity will be announced the week prior. Here is a tentative schedule. If you have questions, contact Wade.

- June 5 – Water Slide & Games (Cox Blvd Pavilion)
- June 12 – Vacation Bible School
- June 19 – Children's Museum in Florence
- June 26 – Cathedral Caverns
- July 03 – Splash Pad @ Gattman Park
- July 10 – Bowling in Florence
- July 17 – Putt-Putt Golf in Killen
- July 24 – Pool Party (Lackey's Home)
- July 31 – Birmingham Zoo

VBS T-SHIRTS

VBS T-shirts for those 5th grade and down will be free this year (first come, first serve). The youth group and adults can purchase a shirt for \$8. These shirts will be available Sunday morning (June 10) following the service near the library.

EVENING SERVICE TIME CHANGE

The eldership has decided to make a change in our evening meeting schedule.

- Starting with the Sunday, June 3, evening worship service, the meeting time will be 5:00pm. (one hour service as always).
- Starting with the Wednesday, June 6, evening Bible study, the meeting time will be 6:30pm. (one hour total gathering as always).
- There are no changes to be made for the schedule of the Sunday morning services.

ATTENDANCE/CONTRIBUTION

May 23 (Wed).....	237
May 27	
Sunday School.....	265
AM Worship.....	351
PM Worship	N/A
Contribution.....	\$12,978

THOSE TO SERVE DURING JUNE 2018

READ SCRIPTURES

Sunday Morning.....Mark Frederick
 Sunday Evening.....Matt Glass
 Wednesday Evening.....Easton Fuller

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Opening Prayer.....Rickey Robertson
 Closing Prayer.....Luke Hester
 Announcements.....Wade Hunt

PRESIDE AT TABLE

Daniel Pannell.....Landon Willis

PASS TO ASSEMBLY

Tony Hollander.....Craig Putman
 Chad Bourland.....Chad Pate
 Mike Keenum.....Scottie Durham

**RESPONSIBLE FOR LORD'S SUPPER
 SUNDAY PM - Steve Condra**

THOSE TO LEAD PRAYER

Jun 03 O AM.....Roger Johnson
 C AM.....Brian McManus
 O PM.....J.P. Alexander
 C PM.....Dusty Adkins
 Jun 10 O AM.....Wiley Dean
 C AM.....Richie Brackin
 O PM.....VBS
 C PM.....VBS
 Jun 17 O AM.....Phillip Willingham
 C AM.....Paul Birdwell
 O PM.....Roger Palmer
 C PM.....Wayne Johnson
 Jun 24 O AM.....Stan Brook
 C AM.....Randy Thrasher
 O PM.....Randall Hester
 C PM.....Matt Hester

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SONG LEADERS

June 06.....JP Alexander
 June 13.....Chris Phillips
 June 20.....Andy Logan
 June 27.....Singing Night

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Bible Study
 10:00 AM Worship
 5:00 PM Worship

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM Bible Study

RADIO PROGRAM
 WBTG(FM 106.3) . Sunday, 10:25 AM

JAIL MINISTRY

County Jail Sunday 9:00 AM

ELDERS

Billy Banks
 Russ Blackwell
 Stan Brook
 Horace Cleveland
 Steve Condra
 Ben McGuire
 Phillip Willingham

EVANGELIST

Larry Kilpatrick

**ASSOCIATE/FAMILY
 MINISTER**

Wade Hunt

YOUTH MINISTER

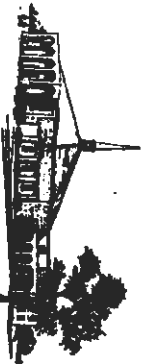
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June 2018

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COX BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST
CARD & LETTER LIST
 May 27, 2018

<p>Helen Burney 2816 Keller Quarry Rd Tuscumbia, AL 35674</p>	<p>Care Group 1</p>	<p>Helen's husband, Jimmy, passed away last week.</p>
<p>Randy Burney and family 2842 Keller Quarry Rd Tuscumbia, AL 35674</p>	<p>Care Group 2</p>	<p>Randy's father, Jimmy, passed away last week.</p>
<p>Sandra Harris 117 Regent Lane Florence, AL 35630</p>	<p>Care Group 3</p>	<p>Sandra's husband, David, passed away last week.</p>
<p>Denise Beene 1145 LaGrange Rd Tuscumbia, AL 35674</p>	<p>Care Group 4</p>	<p>Denise's sister, Shawn Forsyte, passed away last week.</p>
<p>Lana Parker 801 Alabama Ave Sheffield, AL 35660</p>	<p>Care Group 1</p>	<p>Lana was restored and requested prayers.</p>
<p>Bobbye Bradley 3109 E 19th Ave Sheffield, AL 35660</p>	<p>Care Group 2</p>	<p>Bobbye could use prayers and cards of encouragement.</p>
<p>Charles & Martha Hyde 216 Casey Lane Florence, AL 35633</p>	<p>Care Group 3</p>	<p>Friends of Jo Ann Turman. Their son, Tommy, passed away recently.</p>
<p>Mary Louise Rasnick 216 Casey Lane Florence, AL 35633</p>	<p>Care Group 4</p>	<p>She has Alzheimer and lives with Martha. She is Jo Ann's first cousin.</p>

SHUT-INS

Mattie Noble
Brentwood, Room 7
2505 Alabama Ave
Muscle Shoals, AL 35661

Care Group 1

Would enjoy cards and visits.

Curtis Posey
Brentwood, room 15
2505 Alabama Ave
Muscle Shoals, AL 35661

Care Group 2

Would enjoy cards and visits.

Jean Whitaker
Cottage of the Shoals, room 28
500 John Aldridge Dr,
Tuscumbia, AL 35674

Care Group 3

Would enjoy cards and visits.

Leon & Edith Alsbrooks
3304 Hatch Blvd
Sheffield, AL 35660

Care Group 4

Would enjoy cards and visits.

VISITORS

(May 20, 2018)

Dennis Bailey and Family
5950 Pumping Station Rd
Iron City, TN 38463

Claudie & Barbara Jones
302 Park Lane
Florence, AL 35630