

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield church of Christ

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931-994-4810  
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615-975-3938

### Pulpit Minister:

Mike Kelley - 931-994-1911

### Associate Minister:

Josh Copley - 931-994-3944

### Youth Minister:

Chris Wright - 931-206-6629

### Worship & Bible Study:

#### SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM  
Bible Study 10:15 AM  
Worship 6:00 PM

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

### Family Line:

**931-729-9846**



## Mike's Minute

*You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot.*

*Matthew 5:13*

Jesus called his disciples the “salt of the earth.”

This was, first of all, a great *compliment*.

Salt is essential to life. Without it, our cardiovascular and nervous systems would stop working. Long before refrigeration was invented, salt was used as a preservative to keep meat from spoiling. Salt also improves the flavor of food.

Salt gives life, preserves life, and flavors life. Whether the world recognizes it or not (and it often doesn't), Christians have a saving, preserving, and flavoring influence on society.

Being called “salt” also is a *challenge*.

Much of the salt used in ancient Israel was from the Dead Sea and was mixed with noxious minerals that spoiled its purity and flavor. In such a case, the salt was useless and had to be thrown out.

Thus, the challenge to Christians. If our lives become polluted by selfishness or sin, our ability to preserve and flavor society will be compromised.

Our mission is to be salt... but to be *pure* salt.

A little boy asked his mom if she would pay him a dollar to be good. She said, “Why don't you just act like your father and be good *for nothing?*”

Let's be good... and be good for something. Let's get out of the salt shaker and into the world. Please pass the salt!

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





The Fairfield Relay Team are selling luminaria bags for \$5. They will be displayed at Relay for Life in September. See any Relay Team member to order. Save the date—Relay for Life will be held September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Hickman County Ag Pavilion. Mark your calendars to attend.

We will have our third week of Sunday night **VBS** this Sunday starting at 6:00 pm. Brent Beard will be the auditorium speaker. Invite your friends and neighbors! After classes are dismissed, we will have hot dogs together in the Fellowship Hall and inflatables and games for the kids.

**Caleb Coates**, grandson of **Phil & Diane Coates**, was baptized Thursday night by his father, **Wayne Coates**.

**Dale Dillingham** came forward Sunday morning for prayers that he will find a true commitment to God!

If anyone has a digital camera with a sim card, and would like to take pictures or loan the church the camera for the fall festival, please see Adam Jude.

Our annual **Magi** boxes are now available in both foyers. Please take one and the sheet provided to fill the box. The church will pay the \$7 for postage again this year. Deadline is September 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast** is every Tuesday morning at 6:00 am in the basement.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday @ 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in **room 104**.

If you have a **prayer request**, please use a blue card, and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.

## GOSPEL MEETING

The Upper Sinking Church of Christ invites you to our Gospel Meeting on August 4 - 7. The speaker is Jeremy Butt. Sunday morning Bible Study @ 10:00 am; Sunday morning worship @ 11:00 am; there will be a meal after morning worship; Sunday evening worship @ 7:30 pm; Monday thru Wednesday services @ 7:00 pm.



**Members:** Donna Pitman, Joyce Bruno, Yvonna Caillouet, Brenda Stoltz, Marlin Lawson, Dot Davidson, Kita Wright, Brenda Scott-Carroll, Randy Prince, Deborah McClellan, Joyce Boyd, Floy Cochran, Carolyn Phillips, Reda Springer (Skyline Medical Center-accident), Shanon Irwin, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes (hospice in Dickson facility), & Jo Ann Totty (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed).

**Friends & Family:** Lorrie Davis O'Guin, Billie Lynn Tyler (Teresa Warren's sister-hospice), Ronnie Carroll, Gail Brown (friend of Barbara Meador), Judy Baggett, Chris Kimbro, David Gossett, Jimmie Jenkins, Ryan Edwards, Brian Powers, Martha Ann McCord, Lou Gann, Gethlyn Gardner (home-cancer), Deborah Johnston, James Buffington, Nicholas Wright, Edwin Garner, Chris Chilton, David Stewart, Willie Lawler, James Coates (Clarksville healthcare facility), Trevor Buchanan, Pam Sullivan, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Anthony Stacks, David Talley, Cory Patterson, James Stoltz, Grayson Gunter, Stephanie Pitman, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler & Donna Gaspard.

**Life Care:** Kenneth Chandler (therapy), Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss. Sue Davidson, Gary Yates, Wilma Green.

**The Bridge at Columbia:** Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.



**Jean Reeves** gave a contribution for the Youth Group.



**July 28** - VBS Hot Dogs, Inflatables & Games to follow



### AUGUST

- 1 Barbara Kelley  
Mike Worley
- 2 Maggie Conley
- 4 Gary Bailey  
Zane Carroll  
Deana Graham
- 6 Janey Gilbert  
Andrea Wright
- 8 Jackson Bates  
Lelia Mai Poore
- 9 Bentley Barber  
Dorothy Noonan  
Kay Story
- 10 Gary Jacobs  
Roni Mae McCoy  
Brenda Yates
- 11 Justin Bates  
Rick Bruno  
Sydney Irwin  
Faye Williams
- 12 Joshua Copley  
Jeff Stacks
- 13 Charlene Breece
- 14 Dorothy Weatherspoon
- 15 Asher Carroll
- 20 Richard Kisiel
- 21 Bobby McCoy  
Jesse Stacks
- 22 Korie Cochran  
Dot Davidson  
Mark Licciardello  
Allie Jean Peebles
- 25 Sierra Brown
- 27 Carol Anderson
- 29 Darla McClanahan  
Aletha Martin
- 30 Glenda Newsom
- 31 Jerrie Wayne Barber



### AUGUST

- 2 Harry & Jo Ann Totty
- 14 Gary & Cindy Bailey
- 15 Dalton & Lizzie Barber  
Shirley & Janey Gilbert

## MEN TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING:

**Song Leader:** Darin Cochran

**Opening Prayer:** Vance Willis

**Scripture Reading:** Keith Harvill

**Scripture:**

**Preside Lord's Supper:** Mike Kelley

**Left:** Norman George **Right:** Buddy Chandler

Mike Breece James Swaw

Cole Patton Tony McCoy

John Irvin Damon McCoy

**Announcements:** Darin Cochran

**Closing Prayer:** James Swaw

**Van Driver:** Gary Basford 931-628-0355

### SUNDAY EVENING:

**Opening Prayer:** Gary Wright

**Auditorium Speaker:** Brent Beard

**Lord's Supper:** Ronny Pitman, John Irvin

**Closing Prayer:** Roy McCoy

**Van Driver:** Gary Basford 931-628-0355

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

**Announcements:** Rick Bruno

**Song Leader:** Rodney Rochelle

**Opening Prayer:** Adam Jude

**Van Driver:** Chris Love 931-994-7855



We would like to thank you all for all the thoughts, prayers and other acts of kindness bestowed on Carla and myself on behalf of the loss of Carla's mother, **Jean Greer** and my sister.

In Christian Love,  
**Carla & Woody Woodruff**

## ENCOURAGEMENT

It's easy to complain. Anyone can do it!

It takes a special person to *encourage*.

Complaining focuses on self.

Encouragement focuses on others.

The world needs encouragement from people who know how to overcome discouragement. God expects you to do that!

If you're a child of God, actively seek to encourage others daily.

# VBS 2024 WEEK 2



## FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF July 21, 2024

<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>VBS SUNDAY NIGHT</b>	<b>149</b>
<b>CONTRIBUTION:</b>	<b>\$5000</b>
<b>2024 WEEKLY BUDGET</b>	<b>\$5417</b>



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