

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield church of Christ

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Ken Copley ext.17  
*Education*  
Steve Craft ext.20  
*Youth*  
Randal Halbrooks ext.13  
*Missions*  
Shanon Irwin ext.29  
*Security*  
O.D. Pratt ext.23  
*Seniors*  
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*Maintenance*  
Jeff Stacks ext.22  
*Transportation*  
Vance Willis ext.26  
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### Pulpit Minister:

Mike Kelley ext. 2

### Associate Minister:

Rodney Rochelle ext.25

### Youth Minister:

Chris Wright ext. 3

### Worship & Bible Study:

#### SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM  
Bible Study 10:20 AM  
Worship 6:00 PM

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

### Family Line:

**931-729-9846**

### Website:

[fairfieldcofc.org](http://fairfieldcofc.org)



## Mike's Minute

**Great Day In The Morning.** What a great crowd gathered to worship at Fairfield last Sunday morning. There were visitors all over the building! We are so honored by their interest in our congregation. We want visitors to become "regulars." We want the crowd to become the core. How can we make this happen? Invite. Let people know that Fairfield is a Bible-believing, Jesus-exalting, people-loving group of believers. Welcome. It really is important that visitors to our assemblies are met and welcomed by lots of us. Befriend. If visitors can make a few friends among our members, they are much more likely to drop their anchor among us. Pray. Let's pray that God's kingdom will grow and flourish... at Fairfield and all across our world. Let's pray that our congregation will grow in faith, love, good works, and (yes) in number. We count numbers because numbers count!

**More Good News.** Willie Taylor was baptized into Christ by Jerrie Wayne Barber Sunday afternoon at Fairfield. Willie is a very sick young man, suffering from cancer. We are so thrilled that he got himself right with God in this crucial time in his life. As we often say on Facebook, we "rejoice with the angels" at Willie's decision to let Jesus save him. We also appreciate Jerrie Wayne for his love for and work with Willie. Jerrie has the heart of a minister. In fact, he *has* a ministry. He is a great example of the fact that a minister of Christ doesn't have to have a pulpit. He ministers at work, in the community, on social media... everywhere. We sure do appreciate him and his family!

**A Significant Loss.** Word has come of the death of J.B. Brown. J.B. was a coach and educator in our community for decades who made a huge difference for good in so many lives. He was the step-father of Teresa Craft. May God comfort his family... and give us more men like J.B. Brown.

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





It was good to have **Brenda Stoltz** back at services after having surgery.

The Hickman County Relay for Life will honor all cancer survivors with a dinner on Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please see Sheila Brady to RSVP.

The Golden Agers will be going to the Beacon Light for breakfast on Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. The van will leave the building at 8:00 am. Sign-up sheets are in both foyers.

Magi Boxes are available in both foyers. They are to be turned back in by August 31<sup>st</sup>. This year there will be no shipping fee! A list of suggestions for filling these boxes is available in each foyer as well. If you have questions, please see Randal Halbrooks.

Hickman County Relay for Life has luminaria bags for sale for \$5 each. The bags will be lit at the Relay event coming up on September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Ag-Pavilion. See any Relay team member for details.

The ladies of Fairfield are going to have a long-distance baby shower for Kaitlyn Rochelle Harris who lives in Oak Harbor, Washington. If you would like to donate a gift card, please see Teresa Craft or Amber Kelley by September 7<sup>th</sup>. The baby girl is scheduled to arrive in September.

For many years in the past, Fairfield worked in the mission field in Eastern Kentucky serving Jackson and Hazard, KY. The folks there have suffered great damage from massive flooding over the past couple of weeks. Our elders have decided if anyone would like to make a special donation specifically to the people of this area that **money** donations will be taken on the last Sunday of August—the 28<sup>th</sup>-- and then forwarded to the people there. Please give your donation to one of the elders.



Thank you for the gift basket I was given after my baptism and all the kind words. I'm happy to be part of this church family. I love you all.

**Katie Story**

Thank you so much for our school supplies. Many students and teachers will benefit from your kindness.

**CES Staff & Students**

**Members:** Kathy Rose, Patsy Givens, Ralph Givens (Maury Regional), Brenda Scott, Tommy McClanahan (kidney transplant on Thursday), Yvonna Caillouet (sick at home), Janey Gilbert, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes, Lou Dickens, Paul & Noble Victory, Dewayne Victory & Jo Ann Totty.

**Friends & Family:** Wilma Orton, Adam Loveless (surgery Aug. 22), Geraldine Amos, Helen Smith, Caleb Coates, Judy Hinson, Grayson Gunter (home), Mike Rhea, Jimmy Loveless, Helen Jerpe, Michael Harvill, Jay Pickard, Mary Spears, Christians, missionaries, military personal & people in the Ukraine, Everett Kelly, Nancy Clancy, Gus Gilreath, Willie Taylor (hospice), Ray Weatherspoon, Kevin Chandler, Jo James, Cody Crawford, Linda Goad, Doris & Marjorie Claud, Rebeca Mears, Greg Zoller, Seth Williams, Elizabeth Dunn, Kelley Wilson, Ann Spencer, Thomas Brady, Donald Brady, Doris Elam, Neil Jobe, Donna Gaspard, Rita Stacks, Jimmy Jenkins, Carolyn Nash, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Jimmy George & William Dale Nash.

**Life Care:** Hugh David Love, Anthony Stacks, Wilma Green, Francis Qualls, Hester Moss

**St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home:** Naomi Bailey

**Olive Branch Senior Living, Dickson:** Martha Page



We express our sympathy to the family of **J.B. Brown**. He was the step-father of **Teresa Craft** and he had served as a teacher and coach in our school system for many years. Visitation with the family will be Friday from 4 to 8 pm and the funeral will be Saturday at 1:00 at McDonald Funeral Home.

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Ray Woodruff** of Paris Landing who passed away last Friday. He was the brother of **Woody Woodruff**.



## Center Fielders News

"The Christian's Rest"

Our physical body needs rest. A night of restful sleep enhances our health and gives strength to face the duties and challenges of a new day. A greater importance is the rest of the soul. He who lives only for themselves and outside of God's will is plagued with inner turmoil and a troubled mind. God said there is no peace for the wicked.

Sweet inner peace cannot be found in chasing earthly wealth, sinful pleasures, or worldly entertainment. Only when we put our faith in the Lord Jesus in full submission can we find true spiritual rest. His loving call calls out to all every day, "Come unto me all who are weak and burdened and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30).

Rest in peace does not give us an excuse to coast in a state of lukewarmness though. We are fighting a spiritual battle every day against sin and evil. But whatever our circumstances may be, storms, stress, or sorrows in life, we can rest assured that our sovereign God is in complete control and we are in His hand. We are blessed with calm, quiet restfulness of the heart. What a privilege we have!!

*Obey God and watch Him work,*

**Rodney**



Aug 21 - Puppet Show, during evening service in Lift-Off

## FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF August 14, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP	239
CONTRIBUTION:	\$5203
2022 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$4167

## MEN TO SERVE AUGUST 21

### SUNDAY MORNING:

**Song Leader:** Darin Cochran  
**Opening Prayer:** Jerrie W Barber  
**Scripture Reading:** Phillip Coates  
**Scripture:** Hebrews 9:27-28  
**Preside Lord's Supper:** Willie Powers  
**Alternates:** Rick Bruno, Bobby McCoy  
**Announcements:** Darin Cochran  
**Closing Prayer:** Zack Harvill  
**Van Driver:** Angie Green 931-219-7979

### SUNDAY EVENING:

**Announcements:** Mike Batts  
**Scripture Reading:** Skyler Irvin  
**Scripture:** Luke 10:38-42  
**Song Leader:** Jeff Rose  
**Opening Prayer:** Wayne Prince  
**Lord's Supper:** Gary Basford, Adam Jude  
**Closing Prayer:** Bobby McCoy  
**Van Driver:** Angie Green 931-219-7979

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

**Announcements:** Mike Batts  
**Song Leader:** Bobby McCoy  
**Opening Prayer:** Gary Bailey  
**Invitation:** Mike Kelley  
**Van Driver:** Chris Love 931-994-7855

## Hebrews 9:27-28

The Message

Everyone has to die once, then face the consequences. Christ's death was also a one-time event, but it was a sacrifice that took care of sins forever. And so, when he next appears, the outcome for those eager to greet him is, precisely, salvation.

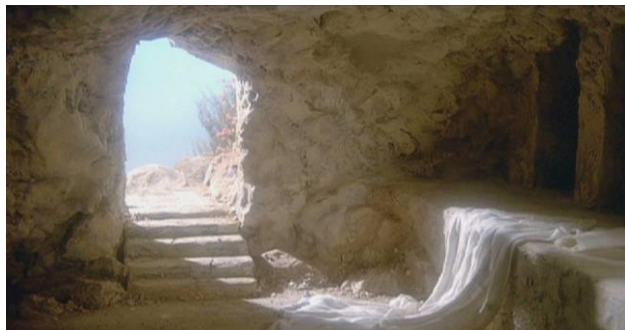


We are happy that **Sharon Burns** has placed membership here at Fairfield. Welcome!

We are happy that **Willie Taylor** was baptized here at the building this past Sunday afternoon by **Jerrie Wayne Barber**.



## ALL WILL HEAR HIS VOICE



*Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation* (John 5:28-29).

The resurrection seems to be a mystery to many people. Death is very familiar to all of us. We all have loved ones who have died and is somewhere in eternity. We are similar to Martha and Mary. When Jesus said to them, “Your brother will rise again,” they replied, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day” (John 11:23-24). We all have the idea there will be a resurrection. But we have no idea when and how this will take place.

In John chapter five, Jesus is defending His authority as the Son of God. In the process He affirms the resurrection. He says, “The hour is coming when all who are in the graves will hear His voice” (Vs 28). This seem to suggest none will have been raised before that hour. Thus, we are forced to ask, what has happened to all those who have died hundreds of years ago? Are they still in the grave or are they existing somewhere else?

According to James 2:26 when a person dies, his body and soul separates. Thus, the soul must go somewhere, or does it cease to exist? If the soul continues to exist, it must have somewhere to abide. Some will use the story of the rich man and Lazarus to suggest that the soul never dies. The rich man was conscious even after death. He was able to think, talk, and feel after death. This may suggest the soul never dies. It continues to function, even feel torment (Luke 16:19-31).

People will also use Lazarus to suggest that the saved will be taken into Abraham’s Bosom where they will spend time till the resurrection. If this is the case, it certainly has an impact on our view of the resurrection. Maybe it is time for us to rethink the resurrection and what will happen to us when we die.

*Selected*

## SOLDIERS OF CHRIST

In a book about Seal Team Six, one of the Navy Seals is quoted about their training. He says, “The more we sweat in training, the less we bleed in war.” This elite team is credited with the successful raid that killed Osama Bin Laden.

As Christians, we are God's elite fighting force. “Suffer hardship with me,” Paul wrote Timothy, “As a good soldier of Christ Jesus” (2 Tm. 2:3). We are reminded that “our struggle is not against flesh and blood,” but our war is “against spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places” (Ep. 6:12).

Our training consists of Bible study, prayer, worship, and fellowship with other “soldiers of Christ.” The more time we spend in training, the less we bleed in this spiritual war. Satan is “enraged” against the church and is “off to make war with the rest of her children, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus” (Re. 12:17). The sure way to lose a war is to not know you are in one. “Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm” (Ep. 6:13) How is your training going? Or have you gone AWOL? Maybe it is time to re-enlist and get back in the fight.

-Dennis Doughty

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

**UPDATE: Tommy and Kathy’s surgery went well for both of them. They are both in recovery at the time of this printing.**

The Purpose Field Women’s Ministry has organized a committee for providing meals to members and “neighbors” that have newborns or illnesses, etc. Please contact Lisa Truett (931-205-7446) or Bettina Horner (931-628-9018) if you know of someone needing this service.



*Stay in touch with us on social media:*

**Facebook:** *Fairfield church of Christ-Field Family*

**Instagram:** *fcocfamily*