

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield Church of Christ

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### ELDERS:

Wayne Prince ext.14  
Lafayette Spears ext.15  
Gary Wright ext.24

### DEACONS:

Gary Bailey ext.18  
*Schedule Events/FH*  
Mike Breece ext.19  
*Activities*  
Clay Chandler ext. 6  
*Benevolence*  
Darin Cochran ext.11  
*Worship*  
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*  
Lloyd Rochelle ext.21  
*Maintenance*  
Jeff Stacks ext. -  
*Transportation*  
Vance Willis ext.26  
*Finance/IT*

### 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 10:15 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

*For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

(2 Peter 1:5-8)

For several years now, many roadways in El Paso have been under constant construction. At the end of each construction project, there is usually a sign that reads, "End Construction."

In this life, Christians are always "Under Construction"- we are undergoing a constant lifelong process of spiritual growth and development (Hebrews 5:14; Ephesians 4:15; 2 Peter 3:18).

As we allow God's word to motivate us in removing our selfish behavior (Philippians 2:4), renewing our thinking (Romans 12:2), and developing Christlike qualities (Colossians 3:5-14), we are "Under Construction."

Regarding God working in us, Paul stated, "He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Philippians 1:6).

As we journey toward heaven, let's cooperate with God's construction of our lives, and when His work in us is complete, "we shall be like Him" (1 John 3:2). God's construction project will then be complete- His sign reading, "End Construction" (Matthew 10:22; Mark 13:13).

Mike Riley  
WATKINS.NET

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





If you would like to teach or be a field guide for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter (Oct – Dec) please see Ken.

If you would like to purchase a luminaria bag or torch in remembrance of or in honor of a loved one, please see Cindy, Sheila, Joyce or Diana. The bags are \$5 each and torches are \$50. These will be displayed during the Luminaria ceremony on September 21st.

There will be a cleanup day here at the building on September 28<sup>th</sup> along with the youth to get ready for our 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Lunch will be served to all who show up.

Please pick up some postcards that are available in both foyers for you to take to start inviting others to join us on October 20<sup>th</sup> at our 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. If you haven't handed in your form, please do so and give to Jewell Prince with the size T-shirt you would like. The deadline is September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Rodney will be speaking Sunday morning. Mike will be away at a meeting. Josh Copley will be speaking again this Sunday night. Make plans to attend.

\*Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tues. morning @ 6:00 am in the basement.

\*Depression & Bipolar Support meet the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. evenings @ 6:00 pm in the basement.

\*The Quilters meet every Thurs. morning @ 9:00 am in the basement.

\*Narcotics Anonymous meets every Thurs. night at 7:00p in the basement.



## CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

**September 14** – Middle/HS Devo, 5:30 at Ken & Mary Copley's house. We will be meeting at church @ 5:00 and taking the van, if you would like to ride. Girls bring chips & boys bring drinks.

**September 15** – 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Devo during evening service @ FH

**September 17** – Middle/HS Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH

**September 21** – Relay for Life

**September 22** – Puppet show during evening service

**September 26** – Desserts & Devo, 6:30- 8:30 @ FH

**September 28** – Cleaning day at Fairfield...cleaning at the church building & the 3<sup>rd</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade will be cleaning the Field House at 9:00 am. Lunch will be provided, for everyone that is cleaning by the youth group.

**September 29** – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday with Carter Hoover.

**Members:** Marlin Lawson (St. Thomas West, pneumonia), Dorothy Noonan & Noah (missing since last week), Eli Powers, Naomi Bailey, Dave Davidson, Diana Bailey, Teresa Kimbro, Gary Bailey, Kathy Rose, Raymond Stoltz, Dollie Wheeler, Dot Davidson, Hester Moss, Christina George, James Hassell, Tony Halfacre, Diane Breece, Christie Hutchings, Leon Lynn, Daisy Beard, C.W. & Elizabeth Tarkington, Harold Choate, James & Glenda Coates, & Jo Ann Totty.

**Friends & Family:** Sandra Bagwell, Jimmy Cline, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Marvin Kelley, Wilburn McGahey, Chuck Dauphin, Russell Hargrove, Davey Baker, Ron Gossett, Alan Dickens, Jack Wood, Doug Bates, Cooper Parker, Teresa Noonan, Grayson Gunter, Laura Plunkett, Lena Harrell, Mickie Cagle James, David Talley, Willie B. Coates, Greg McCord, Peggy Plunkett Johnson, Ray Woodruff, Linda Goad, Ronny Pitman, Adam Lawson, Mark Wright, Helen Shanes, Donna Popp, Dorris French, Linda Truett, Tommy Cagle, John Beard, Jimmy George, Jean Greer, Jackson Bates, Steve Scroggins, William Dale Nash, & Jimmy Mathis,.

**Life Care:** Jessie Lee Harris (sister of Brenda Stoltz), Martha Harvill, Mary Carolyn McClanahan, Kitty Halfacre, Anne Neeley, Ray Dudley, Mary England, & Georgia Belle Smith.

**St. Thomas Hickman Nursing Home:** Jo Hudgins (hospice), Bill Shanes, & Sybil Jenkins.

**Magnolia Place, Waverly:** Sarah Brown

**Meadows at Bellevue:** Joyce Johnson

## RESPONSE

**Sandra Bagwell** came forward Sunday morning requesting prayers on her behalf. She has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.



We express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Arica Hinson** who lost her battle with cancer. She was the daughter of Aric & Jamie Hinson. Her funeral was this past week.

We also extend our sympathy to the family of **Leonard Deen**, grandfather of Diana Bailey He passed away this week also. He was a preacher of the gospel for many years.



## Center Fielders News

“Is God Testing You?”

*Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind. For Your love is ever before me, and I walk continually in Your truth. Psalm 26:2-3*

How do car manufactures make sure their vehicles are safe for people to drive? They put them on a proving ground where they are driven hundreds of miles over rough roads, through water and heat, screeching, turning, twisting, hitting the brakes, accelerating to high speeds. They want to see if that car will stand the test.

It's the same with our spiritual lives. God is different. He gives the test first and the lesson afterwards. The more you read the Bible you will find this to be true. Joseph was tested, David was tested, Moses was tested, and Peter was tested.

When God gets ready to prove you, He is not going to test you in the good times because that is not a test! Anybody can serve God in the sunshine, but can you sing in the shadows? The test is not how well you behave when there's victory all around. The test is how well you behave when you are facing a trial.

He doesn't test you to know what's in your heart. He already knows that. He wants “you” to know what's in “your” heart, so you can realize your own weakness. He wants you to depend not on better circumstances, but on Him. He wants you to see the weakness of your human nature, so you know you need to trust more fully in Him.

So how does one behave when facing a trial? You walk by faith, you fully trust the Lord, and remain devoted to Him!

*Obey God and watch Him work,*

**Rodney**

## SEPTEMBER EVENTS

**September 22** – Elders meet w/ women 4:30p, FH

**September 23** – Homeless meeting in basement.

**September 26** – Golden Agers - Junk Yard Dog

**September 28** – Clean-up day at the church 9 am.

**September 27-28** – 2-day yard sale & cleanup

**September 29** – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday w/ Carter Hoover

*You are not going to receive the encouragement you crave. You are going to need to eliminate that expectation.*

## AREA EVENTS

### HOMECOMING

Coble church of Christ

Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM

Special guest speaker: MATTHEW DOTSON

Don't miss this opportunity to hear one of Hickman county's finest speakers.

Pot luck meal following morning service.

You are invited to our gospel meeting September 15-18 at the Shippo Bend church of Christ with guest speaker Gary Puryear. Sunday morning worship at 9:00 am, Bible study at 10:00 am, a congregational meal after morning services. Then, Sunday evening at 7:30 pm and Monday – Wednesday at 7:00 pm. The theme is about “Jesus and Forgiveness.”

The Fourth Annual Ladies Day at the Shippo Bend church of Christ on Saturday, September 21 with guest speaker: Nancy Daniels. The theme is “Living Godly in an Ungodly World as a Christian Woman.” Registration is from 9:30 – 10 am, 10:00 – 12:00 pm program. Lunch will be provided after the program.

## Safer than Houses

Investment can be tricky things. Do you put your money in stocks or bonds, real estate, or hide it under your mattress? Even the most seemingly stable places to put your money can turn south in a heartbeat. Lots of people have experienced the phenomena of thinking they invested well only to learn that all the money is gone. So where should you invest?

Ben Franklin said, “If a man empties his purse into his head, no man can take it away from him. An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest.” Proverbs 4:5-7 tells us “Acquire wisdom! Acquire understanding! Do not forget nor turn away from the words of my mouth “Do not forsake her, and she will guard you; Love her, and she will watch over you. “The beginning of wisdom is: Acquire wisdom; And with all your acquiring, get understanding.”

Investing in wisdom is always a great investment. Trying to grow and learn in wisdom will not only increase your mind but your pocketbook as well. Learning more has a way of helping you in all other areas of life.

Barry Haynes  
Hope church of Christ  
Hope, AR

## MEN TO SERVE SEPTEMBER 15 LORD'S TABLE

**Preside:** Josh Copley  
**Left:** Stephen Graham    **Right:** Steve Baker  
 Raymond Stoltz            Jeff Stacks  
 Carl Daugherty            Boyce Cannon  
 James Swaw                Terry Duncan

**Alternates:** Curtis Edwards, Donnie Fielder

**Basement:** Rusty Bates, Randal Halbrooks

**Sun P.M.:** Phillip Coates, Mike Batts

### PRAYERS & SCRIPTURE

**A.M. Scripture Reading:** Kenneth Jett

**Scripture:** Galatians 6:7-10

**A.M. Opening Prayer:** Chris Wright

**A.M. Closing Prayer:** Gerry Hinson

**P.M. Scripture Reading:** Randal Halbrooks

**Scripture:**

**P.M. Opening Prayer:** James Swaw

**P.M. Closing Prayer:** Gary Bailey

**Wed. Opening Prayer:** Ken Copley

**Wed. Invitation:** (Sept 18) Mike Kelley

### SONG LEADERS

**Sunday A.M.**                    Darin Cochran

**Sunday P.M.**                 Jeff Rose

**Wednesday P.M.** (Sept 18) Rodney Rochelle

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday A.M.**                 Chris Wright

**Sunday P.M.**                 Chris Wright

**Wednesday P.M.** (Sept 18) Jerrie W. Barber

### VAN DRIVERS

**Sunday A.M.** Gary Basford    931-994-7631

**Sunday P.M.** Gary Basford    931-994-7631

**Wed. P.M.** Gary Basford    931-628-0355

(Sept 18)

If you are unable to serve in anyway, please call or text Gary Basford at (931)628-0355 or Darin Cochran at (615)418-3148.

### FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF September 8, 2019

A.M. WORSHIP:                220

CONTRIBUTION:              \$3621

2019 WEEKLY BUDGET:      \$4167

# Help for the Homeless Yard Sale

*Friday and Saturday*

**September 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

**Fairfield Church of Christ  
Fellowship Hall  
1860 Hwy 100  
Centerville, TN 37033**

**Hot Dog, Chips & Drink  
\$5.00**



**NOTE: CLOTHING GIVEAWAY  
AFTER 1:00 PM, SATURDAY**

We will set up for the yard sale on Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 am. We could use volunteers to help load up from the storage units to the fellowship hall & help set up.

*Be encouraged! When no one else can or will do it for you - be like David, and encourage yourself in the Lord your God!*