

# THE PROVIDER

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## Fairfield church of Christ

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### ELDERS:

Wayne Prince ext.14  
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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*  
Lloyd Rochelle ext.21  
*Maintenance*  
Jeff Stacks ext.22  
*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 10:20 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

**Women At Work.** By all reports, Ladies Day at Fairfield was a great success. Around 40 women gathered in the Fellowship Building last Saturday for food, fellowship, and fun. The theme of the day was "Are You A Fan Or a Follower?" Teresa Purcell delivered a challenging message on the topic. Plans were made concerning future activities and ministries. Special thanks to Teresa for serving as such an effective and encouraging speaker. Thanks to Liz Spears, Lisa Truett, Amber Kelley and Arielle Wright for getting the day organized and planned. Thanks to Marvin Truett for grilling delicious burgers and hotdogs for the meal. We appreciate our women more than we can say. We hope and pray that the momentum they are building will continue... and lead to much and lasting good.

**Speaking Of Our Women...** Another great thing our ladies have going is the Women's Bible Study, which takes place every other Monday night. The group meets in the basement from 6-7 pm. The study is led by Joyce Bruno, who "wrote the book" on this study. I mean that literally. Joyce has written and will be publishing this book on prayer and is leading our ladies in a study of her book. The next meeting will be announced at a later date.

**Greetings From Centerville.** I had the privilege of speaking at the Centerville congregation last Sunday night, as part of their local preacher's series. What a great idea! They invited several men who preach in Hickman County to deliver a Sunday night sermon to them. It was such an honor to be in the congregation where I grew up, to see people I've known and loved for decades, and to meet new folks as well. We love the Centerville congregation... and pray that they, as well as every congregation of the Lord's church, will grow in love, in good works, and in number.

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





The next Ladies class will be announced at a later date.

The annual fall hayride at the Mayberry farm will be October 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 5:00 pm. Boys bring drinks (cans or bottled water) and girls bring chips. Hot dogs will be provided.

The October men to serve and van driver sheets are now out in both foyers.



I would like to thank each and everyone that has said prayers for me during my illness. It was a very difficult time and I am getting better everyday and hopefully soon I will be back to normal. We attend the greatest church with the sweetest people. I also would like to thank all of you who called David to check to see how I was doing. I prayed everyday multiple times to be able to come home to my family, dogs, and to be able to go to church again.

Thanks to everyone again,  
**Tina Johnson**

Thank you so much for all the kindness that has been shown to our family during the past few weeks. We are blessed to be a part of this loving church family. Thank you for all the prayers, calls, messages, food, money and cards that we have received. Your love and kindness will always be remembered.

With love,  
**The McClanahan Family**

### **Bible Quiz: Revelation 12:1-6**

1. “Now a great **sign** appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve **stars**.”
2. “Then being with **child**, she cried out in **labor** and in pain to give **birth**.”
3. The dragon was fiery **red** and had seven **heads**.
4. “His **tail** drew a third of the **stars** of heaven and threw them to the **earth**.”
5. “Then the woman fled into the **wilderness**, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty **days**.”



**Members:** Randy Prince, Yvonna Caillouet (recovering from foot surgery), Dave Davidson, Patsy Givens, Ralph Givens, Tommy McClanahan, Janey Gilbert, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes, Lou Dickens, Paul & Noble Victory, Dewayne Victory & Jo Ann Totty.

**Friends & Family:** James Tidwell (father of Bridgett), Allen Aymette, brother-in-law of John & Brenda Fly), Billy Hinson, Evelyn Jane Barr (daughter of Corbin & Lauren Gatewood Barr & grandparents, Gary & Becky Gatewood - born 15 weeks prematurely is in ICU in SC), Linda Smith, Wilma Orton, Adam Loveless (eye surgery has been canceled), Caleb Coates, Judy Hinson, Mike Rhea, Helen Jerpe, Michael Harvill, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, Jo James, Cody Crawford, Linda Goad, Rebeca Mears, Greg Zoller, Elizabeth Dunn, Kelley Wilson, Ann Spencer, Thomas Brady, Donald Brady, Doris Elam, Donna Gaspard, Rita Stacks, Jimmy Jenkins, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Jimmy George & William Dale Nash.

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

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

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



**Oct 1&2** - Banana Pudding Festival, need help serving  
**Oct 4** - Middle/HS Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ Field House  
**Oct 9** - Future Leaders Class, during evening service-LO  
**Oct 10-14** - Hickman County Fall Break  
**Oct 16** - Future Leaders Class, during evening service-LO  
**Oct 18** - Middle/HS Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ Field House  
**Oct 23** - Future Leaders Class, during evening service-LO  
**Oct 30** - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday- Future Leaders Graduation  
**Oct 31** - Halloweenie Roast 5:00-7:00, need volunteers  
**Nov 4-6** - Celebration-cost is \$70. Sign-up sheets in the Field House. This is for Middle/High School



## Center Fielders News

“The Lily”

The story is told of a poor old woman who lived in a rundown house long ago. The roof was rotting, the logs were deteriorating, and the chimney bricks were crumbling. Dust and dirt covered the inside of the house, but the woman seemed not to notice or care. Her clothes were ragged, her hair was a mess, her face and hands had layers of dirt at least two weeks old.

One day a little girl gave the woman a beautiful lily. No one had ever given her such a gift. She found a vase and put the flower in it, but something was wrong. That beautiful flower was out of place in such a dirty container. She washed the vase sparkling clean, put the flower in it, and set it on the table. But the table was filthy, so she scrubbed it until it was clean.

Standing back and looking at the setting, the woman then noticed the dirty floor, the dirty walls, and the dust covered furniture. She began to clean the entire house until the surroundings matched the beauty of the lily. Then the woman looked into the mirror only to see more of a mess. She then began the cleaning process but this time upon herself.

Question: Do we see ourselves in this story? Our Lord, the Lily of the Valley, does not live in houses but in the hearts of people. He will not share His residence with filth, trash, and clutter, even if it is stored in the attic of our minds. A pure body, soul, and spirit is the only fit residence for God's perfect flower, His Son, Jesus. Yes, it takes hard work, sacrifice and determination to keep all the world's contaminations out, but Jesus Himself told us, "My grace is sufficient for you."

*Obey God and watch Him work,*

**Rodney**

### FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF September 25, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP	210
CONTRIBUTION:	\$4872
2022 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$4167

### MEN TO SERVE OCTOBER 2

#### SUNDAY MORNING:

**Song Leader:** Darin Cochran  
**Opening Prayer:** Ronny Pitman  
**Scripture Reading:** Rick Bruno  
**Scripture:** Psalms 118:1-4  
**Preside Lord's Supper:** Lafayette Spears  
**Alternates:** Gerry Hinson, Norman George  
**Announcements:** Darin Cochran  
**Closing Prayer:** Lyle Shepherd  
**Van Driver:** Angie Green 931-219-7979

#### SUNDAY EVENING:

**Announcements:** Gary Basford  
**Scripture Reading:** Skyler Irvin  
**Scripture:** Romans 4:1-4  
**Song Leader:** Ronny Pitman  
**Opening Prayer:** Tom Gosser  
**Lord's Supper:** Gary Wright, Edwin Wright  
**Closing Prayer:** Willie Powers  
**Van Driver:** Angie Green 931-219-7979

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

**Announcements:** Gary Basford  
**Song Leader:** Ronny Pitman  
**Opening Prayer:** Roy McCoy  
**Invitation:** Mike Kelley  
**Van Driver:** Chris Love 931-994-7855



We express our sympathy to the family of **Alfred Maddox**, grandfather of **Miranda England**. The funeral was Wednesday.



**John & Kaitlyn Harris** are happy to announce the birth of their baby girl, **Adaleigh**, last Thursday. She weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz. and was 19" tall. She was also born on John's birthday.

### Psalm 118:1-4

The Message

Thank God because he's good, because his love never quits. Tell the world, Israel, "His love never quits." And you, clan of Aaron, tell the world, "His love never quits." And you who fear God, join in, "His love never quits."



### The Test

Two men, Robert and James, applied for an engineering position. Both applicants having the same qualifications were asked to take a test by the department manager.

Upon completion of the exam both men only missed one of the questions. The manager went to Robert and said, "Thank you for your interest, but we've decided to give James the job."

Robert replied, "Why? We both correctly answered nine questions. I believe I should get this job, especially since I've grown up in this town and James just moved here."

The manager said, "We made our decision not on the correct answers, but on the question you missed."

"How could one incorrect answer be better than the other?" asked Robert.

"Simple," said the manager. "James put down on question #5, 'I don't know', and you put down, 'Neither do I.'"

### No Breaks for the Firemen

A fire started in the grasslands close to a farm. The county fire department rushed to the scene, but the fire was more than they could handle. Someone suggested calling the volunteer fire department. Despite some doubt that they would be of any assistance, they were called.

The volunteers arrived in a dilapidated old fire truck. They rumbled straight towards the fire, drove right into the middle of the flames and stopped! The firefighters jumped from the truck and frantically started spraying water in all directions. Soon they had snuffed out the center of the fire and leaving two parts which were easily put out.

As the farmer watched all this, he was impressed and grateful that his house and farm had been spared. He quickly got his checkbook and donated \$1000 to the volunteer fire department.

A local news reporter asked the volunteer fire captain how they planned to use the funds.

The captain replied, "The first thing we're gonna do is get the brakes on our fire truck fixed!"



### WISDOM:

**KNOWING THE WORD OF GOD AND  
DOING THE WILL OF GOD.**



Church of Christ at Liberty Hill in Bon Aqua, TN  
"Homecoming"

Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> with speaker, Roy Johnson  
9:00 am Bible Class, 10:00 am Morning Worship,  
meal to follow worship, 1:00 pm Afternoon worship.



Stay in touch with us on social media:

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

**Instagram:** fcocfamily