

# 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*  
Lloyd Rochelle ext.21  
*Maintenance*  
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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 10:15 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

***And when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name.***

-Acts 5:40-41

Unlike some Christians in the world, many of us have never been ordered to stop preaching by civil authorities; our lives and livelihoods have never been threatened because of our faith. Still, there are lessons for all of us in these verses- even for those of us who live in religious freedom.

For the sake of illustration, imagine that each Christian is given ten thousand dollars he must spend in suffering. Some Christians are called to lay down the entire ten thousand at one time- as they sacrifice their lives for the cause of Christ.

For many of us, however, it is a matter of putting down one dollar at a time, thousands of times. We protest when the name of Christ is blasphemed, and the speaker becomes angry at us. That is a dollar's worth of suffering. We stand up for someone being maligned, and the crowd turns on us. That is another dollar. When we refuse to go along with the immorality and dishonesty of those around us, we are ridiculed and spend another dollar.

In the end, it adds up to the same thing: "All who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus *will* be persecuted" (2 Tim. 3:12; emphasis added). Regardless of the size of the package the suffering comes in, we need to learn, as the apostles did, to rejoice that we have been "counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name."

David Roper  
Truth For Today  
Commentary  
Acts 1-14  
P. 221

*In Christian Love,*

**Mike**





There is still time to pick up some postcards that are available for you to take and to invite others to join us on October 20<sup>th</sup> for our 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

Thanks to everyone that supported the Help for the Homeless yard sale this past weekend. About \$2900 was raised.

Also, thanks to everyone who came out to help clean the building on Saturday.

The basement will be closed Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> to strip and wax the floors. No one will be allowed in during this time.

There will be a Hayride for everyone at Ron & Dawn Mayberry's Farm off Maddox Rd. on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. The boys are to bring drinks (cans) and bottled water. The girls are to bring chips and or desserts. Please bring camping chairs. Signup sheets are in both foyers to give us an idea on how many hotdogs to get. If anyone wants to bring drinks or chips early, they can leave in the education office or give to Ken.

The October men to serve and van driver lists are in both foyers.

\*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.



## YOUTH CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

**October 5 & 6** – Banana Pudding Festival. Need youth help serving on the Puddin' Path.

**October 14 - 18** – Fall Break

**October 19** – Hayride & cookout @ the Mayberry's

**October 20** – Fairfield 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary / Puppet show

**October 22** – Middle/HS devo, 6:30-8:30pm @ Field House

**October 27** – Elders meet with the youth during SS.

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade devo during evening service

Mercy Me event for high school

**October 31** – Trunk or Treat



**Members:** June Prince, Faye Rochelle, Minnie Powers, Marlin Lawson (NHC Dickson), Dorothy Noonan & Noah, Eli Powers, Naomi Bailey, Dave Davidson, Diana Bailey, Teresa Kimbro, 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:** Neil Morphis (step-dad of Sherry Dunn), Wayne England, Sandy Kimbro Bagwell, Jimmy Cline, Kathy Swinford Coleman, Joyce Johnson, Marvin Kelley, Wilburn McGahey, 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:** Martha Harvill, Mary Carolyn McClanahan (heart attack this week, doing better), 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

## FREE TRAINING

Know the Warning Signs of **SUICIDE**

We can save lives! Free to the public. No registration needed. Monday, October 21, 2019 here at Fairfield from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. For info contact Jennifer Harris at 931-729-1941 or Sarah Hinson at 931-623-3645.

## AREA EVENT

The East Hill church of Christ will be having a 2019 Fall Gospel Meeting on October 20-23 in Pulaski, TN Guest speaker is Derrick Coble of Sparta, TN speaking on the theme of: Life Changing Stories. Sunday class at 9:30 am, Worship at 10:30 am, Sunday afternoon at 1:15 pm and Monday – Wednesday at 7:00 pm.



## Center Fielders News

“Where’s the Book”

Dealing with any type of machinery, a person is going to have to deal with breakdowns. At the machine shop where I work, we too have machines that malfunction. If the problem we are experiencing is a problem we have had before, we naturally use the same remedy as we did before to resolve the problem. But when a new problem surfaces, a common expression is used, that is, “where’s the book”. The “book” that I’m referring to is of course the owner’s manual.

Whether you are buying a lawn mower, a pressure cooker or even a bigger piece of equipment, a book is usually provided to give instructions on maintenance and safe operation. Many people only consult the book when all else fails. Manuals are very valuable, however, and following their instructions can prevent many problems. Still, books of man’s knowledge have their limitations and need to be updated over time.

Let me recommend to you the “Book of all Books.” An ancient king wrote that it’s words are “More to be desired than gold (Psalm 19:10). This Book is absolutely accurate and never needs to be updated. It applies to every person and gives instruction for every situation we face. The Bible has the solution for a guilty conscience and the answer to the problem of crowded prisons. The principals of God’s Word can end strife within families and even between nations. The Bible can connect us to unlimited power to overcome spiritual weakness and temptation. This Book describes the way to abundant life and to glory in the future. This Book, the Bible is precious to me and I hope it is to you!

*Obey God and watch Him work,*

**Rodney**

## OCTOBER EVENTS

**October 9** – Mission meeting

**October 12** – Widows breakfast @ Homestead 9am

**October 14** – Ladies Craft night @ 6 pm in the fellowship hall. Pillow covers & wraps.

**OCTOBER 20 - FAIRFIELD 70<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

Lunch after classes. Meat will be provided. Bring a dish.

**October 21** – Homeless meeting @ 6 pm

**October 24** – Golden Agers Homestead restaurant @ 6 pm.

**October 31** – Trunk or Treat



MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL DEVO TUESDAY NIGHT



We would like to thank Relay For Life for the canned goods given to the church pantry. It was much appreciated.

Thank you again,  
**Clay & Linda Chandler**

Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity as we start this new adventure together with God as a married couple. Your gifts have helped us settle into our home and have helped us in making others in our community feel welcome and comfortable as well. We love using what we have to bless others, and we are so appreciative of the blessings you have given us. Thank you!!

In Him,  
**Rachel & Jimmy Pounders**

Thanks so very much for such a great birthday, for all the cards and gifts. Thanks to all those who came to the surprise party the children gave me. Thank you all so very much.

Love,  
**Joyce Boyd**

Thanks each and all for the calls, cards, and Happy Birthday wishes on my 93<sup>rd</sup>. Kinda makes one wish to stay around for the next. I’m so thankful for the blessings I receive every day. Some folks can’t remember the day, week or year. I can still walk with my walker, however, I am getting more feeble. Still love to laugh, sing, and hold the AM bible class. All is well!!!

Love you everyone,  
**Martha Page**

