#### Missionaries of the Week

**Christopher and Lori LaPack; Christopher** serves as a chaplain with the United States Airforce.

Address: Chaplain United States Airforce HQ USEUCOM/ECCH Unit 30400 APO AE 09131

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Pray for our ministry to warfighters and their families in the European theater during peace operations, contingencies, natural disasters, humanitarian assistance and armed conflict..

#### Live Stream Opportunities

Our 11 am service streams live on Facebook and YouTube every Sunday. Additionally, Pastor Ponder's Wednesday night Bible study also streams live, but only on Facebook.

Links to these live-streams and a link to our YouTube channel can by found on church website.

#### **Giving Opportunities**

On the front page of the church website, click the box labeled **"On-Line Giving"**. You'll be directed to an easy-to-navigate form where you can make a one-time on-line donation or set up a recurring donation.

You may also mail your tithes and offerings to the following address:

New Salem Baptist Church, c/o Church Treasurer, 554 Frank Stanton Rd, Limestone, TN 37681

Monthly Budget Report				
2023-2024 Budget:	\$2	200,325		
Monthly Budget Need:	\$	16,700		
August Offerings:	\$	17,357		

**Pastor** Dr. Craig Ponder Home: 257-5466 Cell: 329-5901 Associate Pastor of Youth Tim Jaynes 483-8401

> Deacon of the Week Roy Gillis 426-1833

# This Week @NSBC

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## A Pastor's Ponderings

This past week, while preparing for next week's revival, I found myself in deep reflection on the Godly heritage that my Heavenly Father graciously saw fit to bless me with.

You've heard me talk about my grandfather, Linnie Robinson, my mom's dad. Papaw instilled in me a love for the Atlanta Braves and Louis L'Amour novels. He taught me to play guitar and sing out big and loud in the church choir.

What you may not know is that my Dad's mom, Rellie Ponder, also played the guitar and had a deep and personal relationship with Jesus.

We called her *"Granny Ponder."* Her family has produced pastors and preachers, deacons and singers; a large family that is continuing a long and strong Christian heritage.

My branch of that family tree was Billy Joe's. Mom and Dad raised three kids to love the Lord, His house and His people. Dad pastored his first church in 1967. I began my own ministry in 1989. My son is a deacon and a youth leader at his church. My brother Curtis is also a pastor and his son is a preacher. So that Godly legacy continues.

Am I bragging? *No*! Am I thankful? *Most Definitely*! I'm thankful for the Christian heritage God has blessed me with. I'm thankful for my preaching daddy, my praying momma and my praying grannies.

Granny Ponder raised her family at Upper Laurel Baptist Church. It's where my dad was saved and went to Sunday School as a boy. It's where his funeral was held. And it's where I get to preach a revival this week with my brother. I humbly ask that you pray for us and please come if you can.



Pastor Craig will be preaching tonight and then again on Tuesday and Thursday nights. His brother Curtis will be preaching Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights.

Church starts at 6 PM tonight and then at 7 PM the rest of the week.

The van will leave at 4:45 today, and then at 5:45 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday nights.

Come if you can!

If you can't go with us, ... then pray for the preachers!

Services will be live-streamed on Upper Laurel Facebook page.

#### **Memorial Service**

A memorial service for Wendell Hodge's grandmother, Velma Kelley, will take place today at 2:00 PM at the Fellowship Freewill Baptist Church fellowship hall (284 Adams and Corby Road, Limestone).



happy birthday **Michael Curtis Nancy** Quillen Sheree Cloyd **Jenny Jackson** John Abbott

Linda King

Sun 9-22 Sun 9-22 Tue 9-24 Sat 9-28 Sun 9-29 Sun 9-29

happy anniversary Dustin and Beth Holland September 22 Dan and Alda Kennedy September 23

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Preventing Unnecessary Pain In Your Life

A New Sunday Morning Series Beginning October 6th

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

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**DONATIONS** for the **Lamar School Food Drive** are being accepted through Thursday. Stop by the *Welcome Desk* for more information.

**DONATIONS** are also needed for our **Fall Festival (Saturday, October 12)** and **Trunks-Of-Treats (Thursday, October 31).** We need candy and boxes of snack cakes. Contact Toni Hodge is you have any questions.

# **Keep in Your Prayers**

"...since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you..." (Colossians 1:9) September 22 - September 29, 2024



### Weekly Schedule for September 22 - September 29, 2024

• SICKNESS AN	ND HOSPITAL •	• Other Requests •	• SALVATION
Danny Birchfield Janet Birchfield Linda-Hart Bradley Howard Buchannan Stephanie Cade Jayce Clark Rex Darnell Margie Estes Audrey Franklin Alan Gass Mary Gray Bill Hayden Glenna Hughes, (Kim Holley's Mother) James Hylton Brenda Johnson Sara Kussman Saundra Ledford Daryl Lemons Bruce Lewis Carter Lewis Dan Lewis Ed Lucas Dan McReynolds Ronnie Osborne Alan Payne Karen Payne Carolyn Presley	Peggy Watts Helen Whistine Alan White Emily White Jarrett Whitson Rose Marie Wilkes Bud and Billie Wood	NSBC MINISTRIES: Nursery Sunday School Tues. Ladies' Small Group Youth & Children's Min. Wed. Small Groups New Couples Class Needed Appalachian Trail Min. American Military Gunner Barker Erik Cochran Issac Cutshall Landon Laws Jeremiah Martin Dominick Serge Baptist Collegiate Ministries (BCM) Ukraine Christians and Nation in crisis Pray for Israel Zander Brown Floyd Claypole's family	Kevin Ayers Michelle Ayers Robert Banks Charles Bowers Karen Burgin Rick Burgin Mary S. Carter Heather Crumb Jessica Curtis John Dowdy Jon Fazio Bryan Henley Johnny Horne Karen Ingram Patton Jervis Ken Kuwahara Donna Laws Scott Lewis Diane Miller Jim Norris Becky Norton Harry Norton Kenzie Nunley Pam Nunley Steve Pointer Larry Richardson Bill Shelton Kelly Shoun Elsie Vance Gaither Vance Tammy Waterho Kevin Whistine Unspoken
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	Morning Worship		
Gundar	Sunday School Classes 10:00 AM Children's Church 11:00 AM		
Sunday	On-Line Worship Opportunities Our 11:00 AM Morning Worship Service can be viewed live on Facebook and YouTube.		
Tuesday	Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Ladies' Prayer Group 9:00 AM		
Wednesday	Adult Bible Study7:00 PMYouth meets @ The Spot7:00 PMKIA meet in the Education Building7:00 PMNew Salem Singers rehearsal8:00 PM		
Next Sunday September 29	Morning Worship		



Visit our website and navigate to the *Media* page to read more about our free streaming platform and request your free login invitation.

Some of us have embarked on a plan to **read** through **the Bible in a year**. The great thing about this plan is that you can start any time. That means it's not too late for you to get on board! Copies of the plan are available on the Welcome Desk.

#### Keep in Your Prayers

Additions, changes or corrections? Please text or call Janice Cunningham; 865-661-5926. Thanks so much for your help!