

Missionaries

Matthew and Valerie Crane serve as church planters in California.

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Pray that Matthew would be a Spirit-led husband, father, pastor, and friend. Pray that Christ Church will be used to bring hope, life, and the light of the gospel of Jesus Christ to the city of Napa.

Live Stream Opportunities

Our 11 AM SUNDAY service and Pastor Ponder's Wednesday night Bible study stream live on Facebook and YouTube every week. Links to these live-streams and to our YouTube channel can be found on the front page of our 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

2025-2026 Budget:	\$ 200,400
Monthly Budget Need:	\$ 16,700
March Offerings:	\$ 25,628.21

Pastor

Dr. Craig Ponder
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Associate Pastor of Youth

Tim Jaynes
483-8401

Deacon of the Week

Ronnie Snapp
747-2702

This Week @NSBC

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A Pastor's Ponderings

April 27, 2025

(I borrowed this from a recent Facebook post by Diane Silvers and I'm sharing it with her permission. I hope and pray it convicts your heart like it did mine.)

I was talking to some friends yesterday about Easter services. Many people attend Easter services but rarely come at any other time. We would love for them to come all the time but why don't they? What my friends told me gave me pause.

They said the church they attend is pretty judgy. If you have tattoos, people won't like you. If your dress is a bit short, people won't like you. This list went on and on. I got to thinking; am I one of these people? Do I love people right where they are without trying to make them fit into a box that has absolutely nothing to do with Christianity? Do I act like I love them and then judge or do I judge right up front?

In short, I was convicted. When we start noticing and judging folks without looking inward, we need to step back and examine our own hearts.

It is not my job to change anyone to be what I say they should be. My job is to love them as they are and let God be God. My job is to shine Jesus through me and He will take care of the rest.

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties;

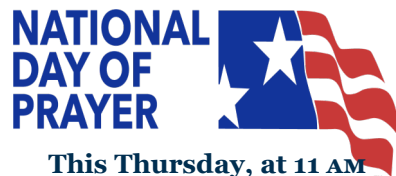
24 And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalm 139:23-24 (NKJV)

A Deeper Understanding Of The Cross

- What the cross meant to God
- What the cross meant to Jesus
- What the cross means to the church
- What the cross means to the world

A new 4-week Bible study series
Wednesdays at **10am and 7pm**



This Thursday, at 11 AM
Lincoln Park Amphitheater
(Behind the Jonesborough Senior Center)
Pastor Ponder will be leading the prayer service.

We'll leave the church at 10 AM and then eat lunch afterwards.

— NOTICE —
SCHEDULE CHANGE

Monthly
Business Meeting
Wednesday, May 7
10 AM
(Note the change in time.)

FIVE STEPS TO A FRIENDLIER CHURCH

1. Speak to the other person first. Don't wait for someone else to take the lead.
2. If you don't know him or her, introduce yourself.
3. Wear a pleasant expression. If you have to be grumpy, do it somewhere besides church.
4. Take Will Rogers' testimony as our motto: "I never met a man I didn't like."
5. Memorize and practice Proverbs 18:24: "A man that hath friends must show himself friendly."

Welcome

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE



Abide in Him

Walk like Him

The one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.

1 John 2: 6

Walking with Christ is the only way to make any progress in our spiritual development.

So to help you in your walk with the Lord, we will be offering these

31 WAYS TO WALK LIKE JESUS

29. *Jesus wants us to cooperate with other parts of His body since He is the head.* (I Cor. 12: 21-30)

30. *Jesus wants us to realize that after we suffer God is able to confirm us and make us strong, firm and steadfast.* (I Peter 5:10)

31. *Jesus wants us to let every thought be given to God's control so that we can be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding. To walk in a way that pleases Him in all respects and bears fruit in every good work.* (Col. 1:9-11)

Keep in Your Prayers

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

April 27 - May 4, 2025



• SICKNESS AND HOSPITAL •	• OTHER REQUESTS •	• SALVATION •
Janet Birchfield Linda-Hart Bradley Howard Buchanan Stephanie Cade Jayce Clark Dallas Clausen Rex Darnell Rodney Farmer Audrey Franklin Alan Gass Mary Gray Sue Griffin Betty Grossman Robert Hall Bill Hayden Mark Hensley Larry Holimann Glenna Hughes, (Kim Holley's Mother) James Hylton Brenda Johnson Saundra Ledford Daryl Lemons Bruce Lewis	Carter Lewis Dan Lewis Ed Lucas Gina Martin Michael McCracken Chris Miller Ronnie Osborne Hope Overbay Dixie Patton Alan Payne Karen Payne Cheryl Povlich Carolyn Presley Linda Richardson Greta Street Wren Sutherland Libby Taylor Matthew Watson Peggy Watts Helen Whistine Alan White Emily White Jarrett Whitson	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 Anthony Frady Landon Laws Jeremiah Martin Dominick Serge Baptist Collegiate Ministries (BCM) Ukraine Christians and Nation in crisis Pray for Israel Those with the flu Vacation Bible School Fun in the SON kids camp
• ON-GOING NEEDS •	• SHUT-IN AND NURSING HOME •	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 Waterhouse Kevin Whistine Unspoken
Linda Bailey Tommy Bailey Jewell Berna Paul Berna Coach Cicirello Sheree Cloyd's recovery Mike Conolly Steve Cutshall Allyson Evatt Mary Davidson Betty Gillis Howard Gillis Mark Gillis Pauline Gillis Emma Harrod Dorothy Holley Rollie and Judy Holsinger	Shelby Humphrey Jenny Jackson Melissa Jackson Sara Kussman Joan Lewis William Link Teresa Monteon Pastor Mike Oaks Janice Oliver Peggy Payne Loraine Royal Jordan St John Bob Tibble Paula Waterhouse Bob Williams Enon Baptist Church rebuild	Edith Grindstaff Dixie Patton Mildred Snapp

• PRAISE THE LORD! •

Shelby Humphrey **Pastor Mike Oaks**
Paula Waterhouse was able to attend Easter service.

Weekly Schedule April 27 - May 4 2025

Sunday	Sunrise Service7:00 AM Morning Worship 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM (Note: Nursery is available during the 11:00 AM service only.) Donuts and Coffee 10:00 AM Children's Church 11:00 AM 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 Study 10:00 AM Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM Youth meets @ The Spot 7:00 PM KIA meet in the Education Building 7:00 PM New Salem Singers rehearsal 8:00 PM
Next Sunday May 4	Morning Worship 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Sunday School Classes 10:00 AM Children's Church 11:00 AM

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Some of us have embarked on a new-year-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!