

Missionaries

Gene and Shay Moore serve as church planters in Ohio.

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Pray that we will continue to seek the will of God and guide others to the Light that brings life. Pray that we continue to engage in the community and build relationships as we push forward to our launch.

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
June Offerings:	\$ 17,886.56

Pastor

Dr. Craig Ponder
Home: 257-5466
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Associate Pastor of Youth

Tim Jaynes
483-8401

Deacon of the Week

Gary King
948-0398

This Week @NSBC

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Benevolence on Barwick

By: Diane Silvers

Where do I fit in? I hear people ask this question a lot, especially during these tumultuous times.

May I share my own personal story with you here? I attended a church for 25-plus years. I raised my children there fully participating in every aspect of the church and its mission throughout those years. I served on many church committees. I taught several women's Bible studies. As my children grew into teens, I threw myself into helping the youth group grow into responsible, respectful, caring adults who moved forward in their own service to God. In other words, I got busy with the business of the church.

Then an evil came into our midst and infiltrated our church family. It was like a cancer, eating away at the body of Christ. Regardless of how hard we tried, the progression of this cancer continued to grow to the point that I personally decided that staying was detrimental to my family and with a very heavy heart, we left that church.

For about ten years, I remained alienated from any church in—what I believed—righteous anger. Oh, I wasn't angry at God at all. I spent time in His word daily. I lived as best I could in close communion with Him. I allowed myself to believe I could live in communion with Him and not participate in any church in the process.

In 2020, everything in my life was shaken. My daddy was having a very hard time with his health and needed care. Our daughter gave birth to a very sick baby girl and this required me to step in to help her family more and more. God was showing me daily that I was not an island unto myself. I needed a church, a family of believers, a community of like-minded individuals. In November of that year, that precious baby girl died. The following month, my father also died. Now, more than ever, I needed a church family. My husband and I started attending New Salem and for the first time in many years, I felt like I was home, where I needed to be. And God moved. He broke me down so He could work in my life and mold me once again, into who He always meant me to be.

Maybe your story is much the same. Perhaps you have been treading water in a sea of disparity, not making any headway, not being an active member but still very much a believer. I'll bet you, too, have felt the pull of being part of a body, not just a passive participant in the life of a church family.

I realize my pride was the source of my falling away. I was deeply and soul crushingly disappointed and hurt. I decided I could live with God but without a church. And I was wrong. So wrong.

If this is where you are, then I want to encourage you to allow yourself to plunge in, become involved, attend Sunday school, develop relationships right here where you are. Make it a priority. Soon, you may find your joy again. You will find you can't wait to get with your people in your church. You are an important part of the "body of Christ." Let's get to work!

1 Corinthians 12:27 states, "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

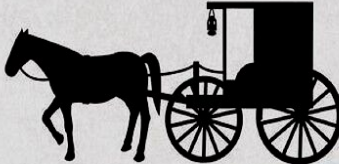


happy birthday
Grayson Jaynes 07-21

happy anniversary
Jim and Tonya Ward
July 23

Schedule Note Sunday School - July 27

Wedding preparations for Justin Barnett and Jessica Hodge will be underway; **senior men's and women's Sunday school classes will not meet July 27.**



Pennsylvania Trip
Thur. Sept. 4th - Sat. Sept. 6th
Mrs. Tammy is collecting money for hotel rooms. The rooms are \$145 per night. Make checks payable to New Salem.

pastor's
bible study
Wednesdays at 7PM



A summer food drive is being planned for the month of July to help replenish the supplies at the Asbury Optional High School.

We've been asked to collect **pasta noodles, marinara or alfredo sauces and instant rice.**

Collections will continue through Wednesday, July 30th.

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; ... Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. (Ps 95:1,2)

The New Salem Singers
invite you to join them in praise!
Rehearsal
Wednesday • 8:00 PM

Questions?
Rena Cutshall - 306-1186
Cathy Claypole - 588-0298



Donations can be made to our new church-van fund through our on-line giving portal. You can also donate through our normal giving. Be sure to clearly mark that your donation is for the **church van fund.**

Keep in Your Prayers

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

July 20 - July 27, 2025



• SICKNESS AND HOSPITAL •	• OTHER REQUESTS •	• SALVATION •
Janet Birchfield Della Bishop Linda-Hart Bradley Janet Branstrator Howard Buchanan Stephanie Cade Sandy Casmer's friend, Karen Carole Chandley Dallas Clausen Rex Darnell Rodney Farmer Audrey Franklin Alan Gass Mary Gray Sue Griffin Betty Grossman Robert Hall Bill Hayden Heather Henley Mark Hensley Larry Holimann James Hylton Brenda Johnson	Saundra Ledford Bruce Lewis Carter Lewis Dan Lewis Ed Lucas Gina Martin Michael McCracken Chris Miller Ronnie Osborne Hope Overbay Alan Payne Karen Payne Cheryl Povlich Carolyn Presley Linda Richardson Greta Street Wren Sutherland Libby Taylor Matthew Watson Helen Whistine Alan White Emily White Jarrett Whitson Rose Marie Wilkes	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 still recovering from the flood Texas flood victims Arden Kuhn
• ON-GOING NEEDS •	• SHUT-IN AND NURSING HOME •	• PRAISE THE LORD! •
Linda Bailey Tommy Bailey Joy Belt Jewell Berna Paul Berna Hilda Bryant (fall) Jayce Clark Coach Cicirello Mike Conolly Steve Cutshall Mary Davidson Charles Garland Wendy Garland Betty Gillis Howard Gillis Mark Gillis Pauline Gillis Alex Goodman Jerry Hale Emma Harrod Dorothy Holley Rollie and Judy Holtzinger Shelby Humphrey	Jenny Jackson Melissa Jackson Linda King Sara Kussman Joan Lewis William Link Teresa Monteon Pastor Mike Oaks Janice Oliver Karen Payne Peggy Payne Christy (Ponder) Owens Christy Sewell Jordan St John Bob Tibble Paula Waterhouse Dan Westbrook Bob Williams Enon Baptist Church rebuild	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 Edith Grindstaff Lorena Royal Mildred Snapp Peggy Watts Heather Henley Greta Street

Weekly Schedule July 20 - July 27, 2025

Sunday	Morning Worship 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM (Note: Nursery is available during the 11:00 AM service only.) Sunday School Classes 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 7:00 PM KIA meet in the Education Building 7:00 PM Youth meet @ The Spot 7:00 PM New Salem Singers rehearsal 8:00 PM
Next Sunday July 27	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.

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