

Missionaries

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Pray for God to give us favor with the community, for the volunteers and resources we need, and for more families to be reached for Christ.



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 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 online 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:	\$ 206,959
Monthly Budget Need:	\$ 17,600
December Offerings:	\$ 16,152

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

Deacon of the Week
Scotty Davis
747-0798

This Week @NSBC

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Benevolence on Barwick

By Diane Silvers January 18, 2026

If you “follow” any of the news outlets — local, state, or national, you will get a plethora of stories and opinions. Now, many believe their favorite news source is the only one that is giving truth. The more I listen to *News*, the more confused I can get. When confused, people get all caught up in what they believe to be true (and it may be true) without running it through the filter of discernment. This very thing has had my soul stirred up as of late.

As I listened to my favorite podcast this morning, the scripture reference today was Acts 16.

In Acts 16, beginning with verse 16, the story tells of a servant girl who is enslaved to a powerful group as a fortune teller for the profit of her captors. She is following the disciples around saying, “These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation.”

She did this for many days until Paul, having discernment, realized she was demon-possessed and cast the demon from this girl. You see, Paul did not appreciate nor need the demon-possessed girl’s endorsement. While studying all this today, this jumped out at me; the company you keep, even if they are saying all the right things and appear to be “on your side,” they may be speaking truth through the wrong spirit.

Paul recognized this child was demon-possessed and cast the demon out. This made her owners very angry because she was generating revenue for them from her divinations. Their money source was now gone. Paul and Silas were arrested, beaten and imprisoned for delivering this girl from the demon.

The thing that struck me was that she wasn’t saying untrue things. She wasn’t speaking against them and seemingly was endorsing them BUT truth coming from a wrong spirit is not an advantage. She may have been saying all the right things for the wrong reasons.

Pray for discernment in these confusing times. Delay your reactions and examine the source. Realize a good story, even with a smiling face, may be coming from the wrong spirit.



2 PETER
**GROWING
IN GRACE**

Pastor's Winter Bible Study
Wednesday at **10AM** and **7PM**

-- The **7PM** study is available to
watch via livestream --

*Grow in the
grace and
knowledge of Jesus*
2 Peter 3:18



Van Fund Balance: \$26,600

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**.

happy anniversary
None this week

happy birthday
Tammy Ponder 1-18
Sadey Smith 1-18
Eric Miller 1-22
Nancy Gillis 1-24

Please Note:
Due to changes in tax policy, we will no longer automatically send out statements for the IRS concerning charitable contributions. We will be happy to provide you one if you wish. Just let Bob St John know. You can call or text him at 423-747-0011.

*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
Wednesdays • 8:00 PM

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

Keep in Your Prayers

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

January 18 - January 25, 2026



• SICKNESS AND HOSPITAL •			
Janet Birchfield	Robert Hall	Michael McCracken	Tom Smith
Linda-Hart Bradley	Jenny Hawk	Chris Miller	Greta Street
Janet Branstrator	Bill Hayden	G. W. Miller	Bill Tate
Howard Buchannan	Karen (S. Casmer's friend)	Ronnie Osborne	Marshall Tate
Stephanie Cade	Brenda Henley	Alan Payne	Libby Taylor
Carole Chandley	Mark Hensley	Karen Payne	Faye Tolley
Marshall Cutshall	Larry Holimann	Cheryl Povlich	Matthew Watson
Rex Darnell	Brenda Johnson	Carolyn Presley	Helen Whistine
Rodney Farmer	Saundra Ledford	Carolyn Privette	Alan White
Audrey Franklin	Bruce Lewis	Margaret Reaves	Emily White
Mike Friday	Carter Lewis	Charlie Reed	Jarrett Whitson
Alan Gass	Dan Lewis	Linda Richardson	Rose Marie Wilkes
Mary Gray	Gina Martin	Tim Robinson	Rochelle Winn
Sue Griffin	Katrina Mausolf	Daryl Rowe	
Betty Grossman		Addison Sells	

• ON-GOING NEEDS •			
Linda Bailey	Margie Fields	James Hylton	Teresa Monteon
Tommy Bailey	Martina Fields	Rollie & Judy	Janice Oliver
Justin Barnett	Ben Franklin	Holtsinger	Marsha Patterson
Susan Belcher	Charles Garland	Sherry Holtsinger	Karen Payne
Joy Belt	Wendy Garland	Shelby Humphrey	Peggy Payne
Jewell Berna	Betty Gillis	Jenny Jackson	Christy Sewell
Paul Berna	Howard Gillis	Melissa Jackson	Ted Silvers' heart
Jayce Clark	Mark Gillis	Linda King	Jordan St John
Coach Cicirello	Pauline Gillis	Sara Kussman	Bob Tibble
Mike Conolly	Alex Goodman	Joan Lewis	Paula Waterhouse
Steve Cutshall	Jerry Hale	William Link	Dan Westbrook
Mary Davidson	Emma Harrod	David Long	Bob Williams
	Dorothy Holley		

• OTHER REQUESTS •			
NSBC MINISTRIES	AMERICAN MILITARY	• OTHER REQUESTS •	
Nursery	Erik Cochran	• Baptist Collegiate Ministries (BCM)	
Sunday School	Anthony Frady	• Ukraine Christians and Nation in crisis	
Tues. Ladies' Small Group	Landon Laws	• Pray for Israel	
Youth & Children's Min.	Dominick Serge	• Enon Baptist Church rebuild	
Appalachian Trail Min.			
	NEW PARENTING CLASS		

• SALVATION •			
Kevin Ayers	Mary S. Carter	Patton Jervis	Kenzie Nunley
Michelle Ayers	Heather Crumb	Ken Kuwahara	Pam Nunley
Robert Banks	Jessica Curtis	Donna Laws	Steve Pointer
Charles Bowers	John Dowdy	Scott Lewis	Larry Richardson
Karen Burgin	Jon Fazio	Diane Miller	Bill Shelton
Rick Burgin	Bryan Henley	Jim Norris	Kelly Shoun
	Johnny Horne	Becky Norton	Elsie Vance
	Karen Ingram	Harry Norton	Gaither Vance

Weekly Schedule January 18 - January 25, 2026

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 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM KIA meet in the Education Building 7:00 PM Youth meet @ The Spot 7:00 PM
Next Sunday January 25	Morning Worship 11:00 AM Sunday School Classes 10:00 AM Children's Church 11:00 AM



Our church uses **One Call Now** to send notifications and church news via phone calls. If you would like to get text messages as well as voice alerts, simply text the word **ALERT** to **22300**. Let Pastor Craig know if you have any problems or questions.



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

• SHUT-IN AND NURSING HOME •

Edith Grindstaff Lorena Royal Peggy Watts