

Missionaries

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The military community is a mission field, filled with men and women from all walks of life who desperately need the hope of the gospel as they serve around the world for their country.

Pray for us as we desire to invest our core values and faith in our family of six children and eight grandchildren. Pray for our transition to civilian ministry as we approach retirement.

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 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:	\$ 206,959
Monthly Budget Need:	\$ 18,000
May Offerings:	\$ 20,840

Pastor
Dr. Craig Ponder
Home: 257-5466
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Associate Pastor of Youth
Tim Jaynes
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Roy Gillis
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This Week @NSBC

The Weekly Bulletin Of
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July 5, 2026



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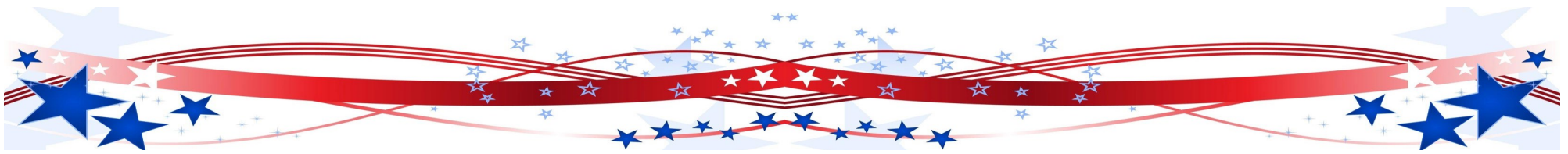
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A Pastor's Ponderings

July 5, 2026

On the morning of July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress was assembled and the streets of Philadelphia were crowded with people anxious to learn their decision. In the steeple of the Old State House was a bell on which, by a happy coincidence, was inscribed Leviticus 25:10; "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof."

Wanting his bell to be the first to peal forth the glad tidings, tradition holds that the bell-ringer went to his post, having placed his son down below to announce the moment the Declaration was adopted. He waited and waited while the deliberations drug on and went on. Impatiently, the old man shook his head and repeated, "They will never do it! They will never do it!" Suddenly he heard his boy clapping his hands and shouting, "Ring! Ring!" Grasping the iron tongue, he swung it with all his might, proclaiming the glad news of liberty to all the land. The crowded streets re-echoed the excitement. All that night, with shouts and the booming of cannon, the people declared their joy!

As Christians, we gather today like we do each and every week to celebrate the day our victory over the power of death and hell was purchased at a place called Calvary. The image of the old rugged cross stands forever as a testimony to the freedom and liberty that was paid for by the shed blood of Jesus. Today, we celebrate the glorious fact that who the Son sets free is free indeed!



Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord (Psalm 33:12)



happy birthday

- Ginger Willis 7-7
- Hannah Brown 7-11
- Matthew Cutshall 7-11
- Seth Wilhoit 7-11
- Brad Henley 7-12

happy anniversary

None this week



Keep in Your Prayers

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

July 5 - July 12, 2026



• SICKNESS AND HOSPITAL •

Janet Birchfield	Mary Gray	Michael Maness	Donnie Shipley
Linda-Hart Bradley	Sue Griffin	Gina Martin	Tom Smith
Janet Branstrator	Betty Grossman	Katrina Mausolf	Butch Schmittou
Howard Buchannan	Robert Hall	Chris Miller	Bill Tate
Stephanie Cade	Jenny Hawk	David Osborne	Marshall Tate
Carl Callahan	Bill Hayden	Alan Payne	Libby Taylor
Carole Chandley	Mark Hensley	Robin Phillips	Mark Waterhouse
Joanna Chapman	Judy Holimann	Cheryl Povlich	Matthew Watson
Isaiah Cheek	Larry Holimann	Cyndi Powell	Mike Webb
Amy Cloyd (back surgery)	Steven Houk	Carolyn Presley	Helen Whistine
Marshall Cutshall	Brenda Johnson	Carolyn Privette	Lisa Whitaker
Rex Darnell	Alda Kennedy's brother, Jose	Wayne Privette	Alan White
Brenda Ealey	Sandra Ledford	Charlie Reed	Jarrett Whitson
Rodney Farmer	Bruce Lewis	Linda Richardson	Rose Marie Wilkes
Audrey Franklin	Carter Lewis	Tim Robinson	Rochelle Winn
Mike Friday	Dan Lewis	Daryl Rowe	
		Addison Sells	

• ON-GOING NEEDS •

Linda Bailey	Charles Garland	Sherry Holtsinger	Star Pearson
Tommy Bailey	Wendy Garland	Shelby Humphrey	Margaret Reaves
Susan Belcher	Betty Gillis	Jenny Jackson	Christy Sewell
Joy Belt	Howard Gillis	Melissa Jackson	Ted Silvers
Jewell Berna	Mark Gillis	Linda King	Jordan St John
Paul Berna	Pauline Gillis	Sara Kussman	Greta Street
Jayce Clark	Alex Goodman	Joan Lewis	Michelle Tanner
Coach Cicirello	Jerry Hale	William Link	Bob Tibble
Mike Conolly	Emma Harrod	Mike May	Paula Waterhouse
Steve Cutshall	Dorothy Holley	Teresa Monteon	Dan Westbrook
Mary Davidson	James Hylton	Janice Oliver	Bob Williams
Margie Fields	Hodge Family	Ronnie Osborne	
Martina Fields	Rollie &	Marsha Patterson	
Ben Franklin	Judy Holtsinger	Peggy Payne	

• OTHER REQUESTS •

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

•SHUT-IN AND NURSING HOME•

Peggy Watts

•PRAISE THE LORD!•

Martina Fields' good news from doctor.

Weekly Schedule July 5 - July 12, 2026

Sunday	Morning Worship 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM (Note: Nursery is available during the 10:30 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
Next Sunday July 12	Morning Worship 9:00 AM and 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.

The New Salem Singers are on hiatus for the month of July. Practice will resume in August.

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



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

Keep in Your Prayers
 Please help us keep these requests current. If you know of additions, changes or corrections, please text or call Janice Cunningham; 865-661-5926. Thanks so much for your help!