

# Corinth Church Of Christ

# The Paper Pulpit



The Paper Pulpit is a weekly publication of the Corinth Church of Christ for the purpose of informing, encouraging and entertaining the Church family and its friends.

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## A Family of Faith

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**Our Vision** — The Corinth Church of Christ exists to be and to do in this community what Jesus was and did in His community. To accomplish this purpose, we believe that God is calling us to **REACH** for a calling that is higher than any found here on earth: To **R**eject ourselves (discipleship) in order to become true disciples of Jesus; to **E**mbrace our fellow brothers and sisters (fellowship) in order to be a loving community that exhibits God’s values and goals for us; to **A**dore our gracious God (worship) in all things, especially when we worship together; to **C**onnect other people to Christ (evangelism) because we have a message that we are passionate about; and to **H**elp those in need (ministry) through the gifts, talents and abilities that God has given us. In **REACH**ing God’s purpose for our lives, we seek to honor and to glorify Him in everything that we do.

### Serving as Shepherds

- Joby Eakes ..... 883-2937
- Charles Eaton ..... 890-3181
- Buddy Neal ..... 459-8113
- Nick Nixon ..... 754-7212

### Serving as Deacons

- Tony Cook ..... 793-2042
  - Finance
  - Mother’s Day Out
- Russ Davis ..... 449-5657
  - Education
  - Finance
  - Youth
- Daniel Eaton ..... 849-8348
  - Worship
- Wayne Evans ..... 459-8786
  - Special Services
- Robbie Rowland ..... 289-3775
  - Maintenance
  - Youth
- Brian Suttles ..... 453-1436
  - N-B-Tweens
  - Outreach
- John Tucker ..... 453-8464
  - Benevolence

### Serving as Ministers

- Alan Hutchison ..... 758-7007 (H)  
Minister ..... 449-6844 (O)
- Buddy Neal ..... 459-8113  
Associate Minister

### Worship Opportunities

- Sundays ..... 10:00am  
6:00pm
- Children’s Worship  
4th Sundays

### Bible Studies

- Sundays ..... 9:00am
- Wednesdays ..... 7:00pm

### Mother’s Day Out

Pam Cook, Director  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
8:45am to 1:30pm

## Fighting a Memory

*...many of the priests and Levites and heads of the fathers' houses, old men who had seen the first temple, wept with a loud voice when the foundation of this temple was laid before their eyes.*

Ezra 3:12 NKJV

The past is a difficult thing to, well, get past. Even when prodigals reach a point where they are ready to change, often people will – whether innocently or maliciously, jokingly affectionate or judgmentally serious – point out that, “I knew Fred back when he..” On a much more personal level, the memory of past mistakes that may not be as well known as that of the prodigal’s can drown us in the Sea of Guilt or the River of Regret that we have a difficult time overcoming. In either case, we find ourselves fighting a memory.

The year is 541BC. The Jewish exiles are beginning to return home. With money from the diplomatic administration of Cyrus, King of Persia, re-construction on the destroyed Temple begins. No sooner than the foundation gets laid, Ezra tells us that many of the men who survived the exile wept because they could see that the size and grandeur of the rebuilt Temple would pale in comparison to the original. Here we see that some of those who returned from exile were fighting a memory.

From this moment, Temple construction stalled for around 15 years. There are a number of reasons for this. First, protesters did not want the Temple rebuilt (Ezra 4.4, 11-16). Second, vandals attempted to halt the construction (Nehemiah 4.21-23). Third, money to rebuild became a problem (Ezra 6.4b-5). And yet, I cannot help but wonder if these difficulties could have been much more easily overcome if many of the people weren’t fighting a more difficult enemy: a memory. It’s one thing to work on something exciting. It’s another thing to work when the end result is a disappointment. Think about it this way: Moving into a new home is often an exciting thing. However, if you are having to move into a new home because you lost your job and can no longer afford the one you are in or are being displaced from your home because a dam has been built that is going to flood where you’ve lived for years, that move into a new home isn’t exciting. It is painful. Such is the situation in 541 BC. The rebuilding of the Temple was difficult because it was a disappointment, not a joy.

Regardless, all the obstacles faced were overcome when a man named Nehemiah (and Haggai) showed up on the scene. The “Contractor,” Nehemiah, said, “Let us rise up and build” (Nehemiah 2:18). Then, Scripture tells us that “they set their hands to this good work.” Why was this work good? The “Realtor,” (or Prophet) Haggai, tells us the benefits of this new house of God: “The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former..” (Haggai 2:9).

And the Temple was rebuilt.

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# Welcome Guests

You honor us by your presence today. Please take a moment and fill out an attendance card located on the back of the pew in front of you. You may place it in the collection plate when it is passed later during the service.

If you have a question about the Lord's Church in general or the congregation at Corinth in specific, an Elder or Minister would be happy to talk with you.

## VBS NEWS

Thanks to the tireless efforts of many people, our VBS this year was a success. From those who started weeks before catching fish for the fish-fry and preparing their rooms and lessons to those who stayed late Wednesday night to help restore the MPB to its original condition, VBS could not have happened without the many people who came together to make it happen. Following were our attendance numbers for the week:

- Saturday — 85
- Sunday — 58
- Monday — 65
- Tuesday — 64
- Wednesday — 82

### Daily Bible Reading

- Sunday, June 27 - Psalms 68-71
- Monday, June 28 - Psalms 72-77
- Tuesday, June 29 - Psalms 78-81
- Wednesday, June 30 - Psalms 82-89
- Thursday, July 1 - Psalms 90-97
- Friday, July 2 - Psalms 98-104
- Saturday, July 3 - Psalms 105-107

## Remember in Prayer

### Our Members:

Robert & Eva Jean Hurt	George Liddle	Sammie Malone
Hughie Rowland		
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Joby & Clifford Eakes	←	
Ruth Malony	←	began dialysis this past week

### Our Family & Friends:

Jimmy & Helen Davis	Russ Davis' parents
Donald Gentry	
Johnnie Hedge	Janet Wilson's mother
Robert David Johnson	Pat Rowland's brother
Tyler Lewis	8-year-old son of a co-worker of Trevor Haley. Recently discovered a mass on his brain
	received encouraging news from her latest doctor's appointment
Paige Morris	undergoing treatments for Multiple Sclerosis
Kim Neal	Diana Lannom's brother-in-law has been diagnosed with cancer
Jimmy Owen	stomach aneurysm
Bess Parker	Janet Nixon's parents are home-with various health problems.
John & Jean Plemmons	16 year old daughter of a friend of the Cooks who was diagnosed with bone cancer
Ashley Scott	Janet Wilson's aunt
Zane Smallman	

### Our Servicemen:

Michael Dobson	Matt Eakes	Al Gentry
Adam Goff	Ty Guinn	Eric Hamilton
Brandon Herrington	Gary Hogan	Michael Lewis
Alex Liddle	Marshall Liddle	Andy Nay
Nolan Roberts	Dustin Roterro	

### In Nursing Homes:

Mt. Juliet Health:	Ann Gentry (room 302)
Community Care:	Jerry Henderson
Quality Health:	Maimie Baird

## Corinth Cafe

"Embracing each other"



**Date: Wednesday, June 30 at 6pm**  
**Menu: Hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, fries**

### Today's Feature . . . . . June 27, 2010

AM. . . . . Buddy Neal  
**TBA**  
 (TBA)

PM. . . . . Trevor Haley  
**"Make a Joyful Noise" Worship**  
 (Various Scriptures)

### Sneak Preview . . . . . July 4, 2010

AM. . . . . Alan Hutchison  
**Having Confidence in Christ**  
 (2nd Timothy 2.8-12)

PM. . . . . Alan Hutchison  
**Where You Stand Determines What You See**  
 (Psalm 73.1-28)

## Youth Corner

### RED DIRT STREETS

“Which is the greatest commandment?” Find out in Matthew 22:37-40.

When Jesus was asked which of the commandments was the greatest, he replied, “Love the Lord your God” and then named a second one: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” I learned about loving others through the sport of soccer. I was introduced to soccer at the age of five on the red dirt streets of Malawi in Africa.

Malawi is one of the poorest countries in the world, so many kids grow up without shoes. One of my fondest memories is of all the kids who had shoes taking them off before we played soccer – just to make the game fair. I don’t recall such consideration anywhere else. Soccer seemed to break all the boundaries that usually put people at odds.

While in many African circles tribalism still existed, soccer created its own unique tribe, which welcomed everyone who loved the sport, regardless of background. While in many African circles social-economic classes still divided people, soccer created a caste that looked at people and saw humanity, an image stamped on them by their loving Creator.

Today, after having played the sport both in college and professionally, I am still drawn to that red dirt of Malawi, where Christ began to shape my values and where he started challenging me with an idea of his reconciling kingdom. There, in the most unlikely place, I found that all people deserve love.

Noel Musicha

San Diego, California

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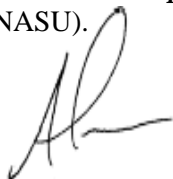
## Fighting a Memory

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What memory are you fighting today? What has stalled your life? The word of God tells us that your future life, like the rebuilt Temple, will be greater than your past:

*‘For I know the plans that I have for you,’ declares the LORD, ‘plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.’*  
Jeremiah 29:11 (NASU).

Jesus loves you and so do I!



## Sentence Sermon

*I have memories – but only  
a fool stores his past in the  
future.*

– David Gerrold

## Corinth Calendar

Today ~

**Elders, Deacons and  
Ministers Meeting at  
4.30pm in the Library.**

June ~

27 Children’s Worship  
29 Crissy Tucker

July ~

1 Keith Anderson  
2 Brain & Lisa Crowder  
5 Michael Guinn  
Robert Guinn  
9 Case Gentry  
14 David Thorn  
15 Cliffordean Eakes  
16 April Gentry  
18 EDMM; 4.30pm  
24 Pam Cook  
25 Children’s Worship  
Terry Fuller  
Anna Pittman

## Order of Worship

*. . . be filled with the Spirit, 19  
speaking to one another in psalms  
and hymns and spiritual songs,  
singing and making melody in  
your heart to the Lord, 20 giving  
thanks always for all things to God  
the Father in the name of our  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
Ephesians 5:18-20*



## Sunday Morning

### Announcements

932, 933 – Holy Grounds  
93 – Christ for the World We Sing

### Opening Prayer

427 – Must Jesus Bear the Cross  
Alone?

### The Lord’s Supper

756 – When We All Get to Heaven  
237 – His Grace Reaches Me

### Lesson

50 – Are You Washed in the  
Blood?\*

908 – Awesome God



## Sunday Evening

### Announcements

Worship in Song

Opening Prayer

Worship in Song

Lesson

Worship in Song

Closing Prayer

\* In songbook only

# Serving the Congregation\*

## Serving All Week

**Serving Elder:** Buddy Neal  
**Announcements:** Daniel Eaton  
**Building Lock-up:** Rowland  
**Sunday Morning Service\*\***  
**Class Usher:** Jack Brown  
**Usher:** Jack Brown  
 Robbie Rowland  
**Audio Room:** David Thorn  
**Song Leader:** Trevor Haley  
**Opening Prayer:** Charles Eaton

## The Lord's Table:

**Preparation:** Eakes/Nixon  
**Serving:** Silas Dunn  
**Presiding:** Joby Eakes  
 Wayne Evans  
 Russ Davis

**Closing Prayer:** Larry Nixon

## Sunday Evening Service

**Service Usher:** Russ Davis  
**Audio Room:** David Thorn  
**Song Leader:** All Song Leaders  
**Opening Prayer:** Joby Eakes  
**Closing Prayer:** Robbie Rowland

## Wednesday Evening Service

**Audio & Usher:** Bob Lannom  
**Song Leader:** Phil Mitchell  
**Closing Prayer:** Jack Brown

\* If you are unable to serve, please call Daniel Eaton at 615.849.8348 so that a substitute can be scheduled.

\*\* If you are scheduled for the AM service, please meet in the Library 5 minutes before services begin.

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## **Sunday**

9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
 10:00 a.m. Worship  
 6:00 p.m. Worship

## **Wednesday**

7:00 p.m. Bible Study

## **Mother's Day Out**

Tuesdays & Thursdays  
 8:45am to 1:30pm

Please send Bulletin information to:  
 angiehutchison@juno.com  
 Deadline for inclusion is Thursday  
 afternoon at 5:00pm.

## Last Week's Vital Signs

Bible Study .....49  
 AM Worship .....107  
 PM Worship .....58  
 Offering .....\$4,114.00  
 YTD +/- .....-\$5,917.00

Wednesday .....82

Weekly Budget .....\$3,114.00  
 Goal .....\$3,200.00