

Oliver Church of Christ

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:00 AM
Worship 10:00 AM
Worship 5:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 6:30 PM

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Where Is Your Faith?

David, the sweet singer of Israel, wrote: "Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the Lord our God" (Psalms 20:7). What is David saying to us? Basically, there are three places where one can place his trust.

First, David said, "Some trust in chariots." This might stand for the inventions of men. While no one knows when the chariot was first invented, it was a basic means of transportation in David's time. It was also one of the more advanced weapons of war. Technology was not very advanced then, but a charging chariot was certainly something to be feared on the battlefield. Today, some put their trust in the newest inventions of men, whether it be stealth bombers, missiles, or nuclear weapons.

David also said, "some trust in horses." The horse represented pure power to the ancient Israelites. Horses were a central part of their way of life. They were used for plowing fields, transportation, in war time, and for communication purposes. Any society or individual who had a horse (or horses) was more adept in construction, agriculturally, and militarily. Therefore, people would trust in horses to make them stronger economically and in times of war. However, horses do have limitations. No matter how long a horse runs or how fast it runs, sooner or later, it gets tired and needs to rest. Horses can do much to aid in the work on a farm, but they cannot forgive sins. Horses were a part of many ancient armies, but they could not foretell the future or reveal God's Word.

The third item that David mentions is: "but we will remember the name of the Lord our God." Technology is not the ultimate help, and raw power is not the greatest aid. The greatest assistance in time of need is from the living God. The Lord knows our needs and how to provide assistance when we need it. Not only that, but God is a loving God who created us, redeemed us, and continues to sustain us. No matter what men invent or what they may find in the natural world, these things can never compare to God.

David O'Connell

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY JANUARY 21, 2024

Announcements Billy Leone
Song Leader David Wilbanks
Opening Prayer (AM) Max Chandler
Closing Prayer (AM) Johnny Wilbanks
Opening Prayer (PM) Chuck Moore
Closing Prayer (PM) Allen Goode
Usher Raymond Sandlin

Lord's Table

Preside AM & PM Jeff Trousdale

Audio Lonnie Butler
Building Security Lonnie Butler
Communion Prep Hazel Wilbanks

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 24, 2024

Song Leader Chuck Moore
Scripture Reading Tommy Parker
Opening Prayer Wade Stinnett
Invitation David O'Connell
Announcements Daniel Ridinger
Closing Prayer Billy Leone

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY JANUARY 28, 2023

Announcements Max Chandler
Song Leader Chuck Moore
Opening Prayer (AM) Randy Pyle
Closing Prayer (AM) Larry Turpen
Opening Prayer (PM) Daniel Ridinger
Closing Prayer (PM) Allen Goode
Usher Raymond Sandlin

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Preside AM & PM Billy Leone

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Opening Prayer Wade Stinnett
Invitation Randy Pyle
Announcements David O'Connell
Closing Prayer Tommy Parker

From My Heart to Your Heart

We want to thank everyone for their cooperation and understanding with the inclement weather we had last week. I do not remember a time when we had to dismiss two services in a row because of the weather. We want to remind everyone that if you question the safety of traveling, it is better to stay home and remain safe.

Several of our families are experiencing very difficult problems in many different ways. Please pray for all of the families at Oliver to be strengthened by God through His Word and to be strong in their faith.

Hazel Wilbanks is improving with her respiratory problems, but she has a full cuff tear and a biceps tendon tear in her left shoulder. She will have surgery on February 2 to repair her shoulder and arm. Bill Gibson was in the hospital recently but is now back at the nursing home under hospice care. His condition is very serious. We want to be praying for Daniel McClellan's mother, Sylvia. She is in very serious condition at this time. Wayne Birdwell is having problems with his foot again (the same problem that he had around this time last year). Please pray for Doyce Rickerson, the father of Gina Butler, who is Tommy and Enid's daughter-in-law. Doyce had five stents inserted recently, and he will be needing more. We want to pray for Julie Fretwell, the daughter of Marilyn Patterson, as she undergoes treatment before cancer surgery. James Robbins had an examination on his watchman recently, and he hopes to be back at church soon.

Chuck's aunt and uncle, Ken and Beth Hawkins, are making some progress. Please keep Randy Pyle's mother, Vera Pyle, in your prayers. Also, please pray for Kathryn Miller's brother-in-law, William (Bill) Miller, as he undergoes chemotherapy. Wade Stinnett's cousin, Mike Stinnett, also needs your prayers. Belle Graham is still having many serious problems. Annie Sandlin's sister, Diane Ridgeway, has serious medical problems and needs our prayers. John O'Neill, a friend of the O'Connells, has blood and bone cancer and is in need of our prayers. He is at Houston right now for a bone marrow transplant. Barry Hamilton is still undergoing weekly cancer treatments. Please continue to pray for those who are fighting cancer: Gene Britnell, Jerry Page, Jennifer Allison, Pam Dahlstrom, Ken and Beth Hawkins, Holly Fox, Barry Hamilton, Rene Griffin, Numa Latham, Bill Miller, and John O'Neill. Pam Dahlstrom had a very good report recently, and she is very grateful for your prayers.

This afternoon, we will have our bimonthly men's business meeting at 3:30 in room 17.

There are updated copies of the Church Directory on the table in the foyer. Please let us know of any changes that need to be made. There are also copies of the latest bulletin on the work in the Philippines.

David O'Connell

In Search of the Lord's Way - Fox 54 Sunday Mornings at 7:30 AM

OUR RECORD



Sunday	Jan 14, 2023
Bible Study	36
Worship AM	43
Worship PM	NA
Contribution	\$2270
Weekly Budget	\$2300
Wednesday	Jan 17, 2024
Bible Study	NA



Happy Birthday!

- 10 Joann Wilbanks
- 11 Amy Hardeman
- 11 Daniel McClellan
- 16 Austin Wilbanks
- 17 David Wilbanks
- 19 Hesston Parker
- 20 Clay Parker
- 23 Marsha Chandler

Happy Anniversary!

- 5 Randy & Glenda Pyle
- 17 Johnny & Hazel Wilbanks
- 22 Allen & Eula Goode
- 26 Ronnie & Gale Newton

In Our Prayers

Oliver Members: Wayne Birdwell, Tommy & Enid Butler, Max Chandler, Becky Clanton, Bill Gibson, Ann Hamilton, Lella Mae Hamilton, Keith Hunt, Chuck Moore, Sandra Porter, James Robbins, Ray Sandlin, Stan Stanford, Kay Wall, Hazel Wilbanks, Patsy Wilbanks.

Family and Friends: Jennifer Allison (Hazel's niece's daughter), Jonna Dean Barrier, Gene Britnell, (father of Ashley Parker), Amy Chandler (Max & Marsha's daughter-in-law), Rex Chandler (Max & Marsha's nephew), Cathy Clemmons (Amy Hardeman & Gale Newton's cousin), Tim & Sherri Clutts, Eugene Coco (Chuck Moore's friend), Bill Corum (Tracie Trousdale's father), Rick Crill, Pam Dahlstrom & Faith Reed, Holly Fox (Chuck's cousin), Julie Fretwell, Paula Gilliam (Hazel Wilbanks' niece), Belle Graham (Patricia Moore's mother), Vincent Graham (Patricia's nephew), Barry & Donna Hamilton (Marla, Becky, & Barbara's brother & sister-in-law), Ken and Beth Hawkins (uncle & aunt of Chuck), Martha Hawkins, Thad Hebbe, Earline Hinton (Nelda Hinton's mother), Robert Huffaker, Numa Latham (husband of Hazel Wilbanks' niece), Sylvia McClellan, Bill Miller, Contessa Moore, Sean Mosley (Chuck's cousin), Jimmy Moss (uncle of Annie Sandlin), Colleen O'Connell, John O'Neill, Jerry Page, Iris Posey, Vera Pyle, Doyce Rickerson (father of Tommy and Enid's daughter-in-law), Diane Ridgeway (Annie Sandlin's sister), Mike Stinnett, Kim Sztanyo, Neal Trousdale.

Nursing Home: Bill Gibson, Wing C, Room 116B, 2701 Meridian Street, Huntsville, AL 35811. Charles Kretzer, Mitchell-Hollingsworth, rm. 312; Kay Wall, Limestone

The Gospel of Christ - Fox 54 (Direct TV) Sunday Mornings at 7:00 AM