

# 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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## Christianity's Positive View of Life

The world in which we live seems to be growing worse and worse. Sometimes, Christians become discouraged with all the diabolical events taking place. What can a Christian say in response to all this evil?

We must remember that the world is a place of sorrow because of sin. In the Garden of Eden, man had an opportunity for a life of no pain, no suffering, and no death. However, due to Adam and Even's rebellion, man was cast out of the perfect environment (Genesis 3:23), and the earth was cursed (Genesis 3:17-18). Human beings are in a world of pain, sickness, and death due to man's own sin.

While some of the problems of life are due to a cursed planet (tornadoes, earthquakes, and other naturel calamities), many of man's troubles are due to man's free will. People choose to lie, cheat, steal, gossip, abuse their families, and numerous other sins. No one forces people to do these things. They exercise their own free will and therefore bring about much of the pain in the world.

How can the Christian be positive when so many terrible things are going on? First, God is still in control of the universe. Our Father in heaven has never abandoned His throne. Second, God is still all powerful. The forces of evil may seem to be supreme, but they are not. Only the Lord is omnipotent. Satan may be popular, but he is still second class when compared to the power of God. Third, the Lord has assured us that good will win over evil. It may not seem so presently, but the book of Revelation assures us that the Lamb of God will triumph in the end.

The Christian can be positive in spite of evil because, while he does not know what the future holds, he knows who holds the future.

David O'Connell

## WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

**SUNDAY MAY 26, 2024**  
Announcements . . . . . Billy Leone  
Song Leader . . . . . Randy Pyle  
Opening Prayer (AM) . . . . . Jeff Trousdale  
Closing Prayer (AM) . . . . . Johnny Wilbanks  
Opening Prayer (PM) . . . . . Larry Turpen  
Closing Prayer (PM) . . . . . Tommy Parker  
Usher . . . . . Raymond Sandlin

**Lord's Table**  
Preside AM & PM . . . . . Chuck Moore

Audio . . . . . Lonnie Butler  
Building Security . . . . . Daniel Ridinger  
Communion Prep . . . . . Nelda Hinton

**WEDNESDAY MAY 29, 2024**  
Song Leader . . . . . Max Chandler  
Scripture Reading . . . . . Larry Turpen  
Opening Prayer . . . . . Wade Stinnett  
Invitation . . . . . David O'Connell  
Announcements . . . . . Daniel Ridinger  
Closing Prayer . . . . . Tommy Parker

## WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

**SUNDAY JUNE 2, 2024**  
Announcements . . . . . NA  
Song Leader . . . . .  
Opening Prayer (AM) . . . . .  
Closing Prayer (AM) . . . . .  
Opening Prayer (PM) . . . . .  
Closing Prayer (PM) . . . . .  
Usher . . . . . Raymond Sandlin

**Lord's Table**  
Preside AM & PM . . . . .

Audio . . . . . Lonnie Butler  
Building Security . . . . . Billy Leone  
Communion Prep . . . . . Vickie Parker

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 5, 2024**  
Song Leader . . . . .  
Scripture Reading . . . . .  
Opening Prayer . . . . .  
Invitation . . . . .  
Announcements . . . . .  
Closing Prayer . . . . .

## From My Heart to Your Heart

We want to encourage everyone to be making their plans for our upcoming Gospel Meeting. Also, remind all of our former members that June 2 is our Homecoming. Flyers are available in the foyer. We will post a list in the foyer for anyone that would like to invite Andy Erwin for a meal.

On June 12-15, there will be a Church Growth Workshop at Heritage Christian University. The theme will be "Hearts on Fire." A list of speakers and topics is posted on the bulletin board. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

In regard to our sick, brother Bill Brazier, who preached at Antioch and other congregations in the area, is in serious need of prayer. He has an extensive amount of fluid built up in his entire body. Let us keep brother Bill in our prayers.

Julie Fretwell is recovering from surgery, but she has an additional spot near her heart and lung that will need radiation. Tommy Butler is recovering at home. Also, Ron Moore is recovering at home. James Robbins still has about four more weeks of recovery from his recent surgery. Neal Trousdale is at home. Barry Hamilton is in serious condition and is under hospice care. The family needs our prayers.

Diane Jackson's brother, Lloyd Jackson, is currently at home. He is continuing to have additional treatments. We have been asked to pray for Calvin Gifford, who is the son-in-law of Jackie Miller Poss. Becky Clanton is still dealing with congestive heart failure at home. James Robbins' and Glenda Pyle's brother-in-law, Ronald Hill, is still recovering from burns on his legs. Tracie Trousdale's father, Bill Corum, is doing a little better.

We want to be praying for Daniel McClellan's mother, Sylvia. 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. Annie Sandlin's sister, Diane Ridgeway, has serious medical problems and needs our prayers. Please continue to pray for those who are fighting cancer: Jennifer Allison, Gene Britnell, Pam Dahlstrom, Julie Fretwell, Calvin Gifford, Rene Griffin, Barry Hamilton, Ken and Beth Hawkins, Lloyd Jackson, Bill Miller, John O'Neill, and Jerry Page.

Our Summer Series will begin on June 12 and will go through August 28. The theme is "The Other Beatitudes."

David O'Connell

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

## OUR RECORD



<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 19, 2024</b>
Bible Study	35
Worship AM	44
Worship PM	41
Contribution	\$2755
Weekly Budget	\$2300
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 21, 2024</b>
Bible Study	31

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June 12-15	Church Growth Workshop, Heritage Christian University
June 15	North Alabama Christian Children's Home Benefit Dinner
June 22	Ladies Day, West Hobbs Street



## Happy Birthday!

1	Johnny Wilbanks
3	Linda Bryan
7	Beckham Moore
7	Wade Stinnett
8	Nelda Hinton
8	Gale Newton
15	Tommy Butler
16	Patsy Wilbanks

## Happy Anniversary!

25	Billy and Marla Leone
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## In Our Prayers

**Oliver Members:** Tommy & Enid Butler, Marsha Chandler, Becky Clanton, Lella Mae Hamilton, Keith Hunt, Chuck Moore, Kathryn Miller, Sandra Porter, Daniel and Anne Ridinger, James Robbins, Ray Sandlin, Hazel Wilbanks, Patsy Wilbanks.

**Family and Friends:** Jennifer Allison (Hazel's niece's daughter), Jonna Dean Barrier, Bill Brazier, Gene Britnell, Brenda Brooks (wife of Mike Brooks and niece of Lorene Troglen), Renee Brown (Norman Brown's mother), Charles Butler, Amy Chandler (Max & Marsha's daughter-in-law), Rex Chandler (Max & Marsha's nephew), Tim & Sherri Clutts, Eugene Coco (Chuck Moore's friend), Rick Crill, Bill Corum (Tracie Trousdale's father), Pam Dahlstrom & Faith Reed, Julie Fretwell, Calvin Gifford (son-in-law of Jackie Miller Poss), Paula Gilliam (Hazel Wilbanks' niece), Belle Graham (Patricia Moore's mother), Vincent Graham (Patricia's nephew), Ken and Beth Hawkins (uncle & aunt of Chuck), Martha Hawkins, Ronald Hill (James Robbins & Glenda's brother-in-law). Earline Hinton (Nelda Hinton's mother), Robert Huffaker, Lloyd Jackson (Diane's brother), Sylvia McClellan, Bill Miller, Contessa Moore and Ron Moore (Chuck's sister & brother), Sean Mosley (Chuck's cousin), Jimmy Moss (uncle of Annie Sandlin), John O'Neill, Jerry Page, Vera Pyle, Diane Ridgeway (Annie Sandlin's sister), Mike Stinnett, Kim Sztanyo, Neal Trousdale.

**Nursing Home:** Charles Kretzer, Mitchell -Hollingsworth, rm. 312.

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