

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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Christians Must Be Examples

Paul wrote to the young evangelist Timothy and stated: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity" (I Timothy 4:12).

The power of example is great for good or for evil. In fact, it is more powerful than teaching. Perhaps you have heard the old adage "I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day." Christ's example has been felt throughout the ages.

Jesus emphasized that His followers were to be examples. By saying that His disciples were to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14,16), Jesus made it clear that a Christian's life is an example of Christ and His teaching. The apostle Peter spoke about people looking at the lives of Christians (I Peter 2:12). No one can escape the fact that they are an example to someone.

Paul listed six areas where examples are especially seen. Paul told Timothy to be an example in: (1) word, by his speech, (2) conversation, which means one's conduct or manner of life (cf. ASV), (3) in charity, which is love for God and one's fellow man, (4) in spirit, which is one's attitude, (5) in faith, which one sees in all the great Scriptural examples (Hebrews 11), and (6) in purity, because a pure life comes from a pure heart (Matthew 5:8).

Someone once said, "One example is worth a thousand arguments." Bad behavior can also be an example of what not to do (cf. I Corinthians 10:11-12). Let us all strive to be the best possible example to everyone around us and help lead a soul to Christ.

David O'Connell

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8, 2024

Announcements Max Chandler
Song Leader David Wilbanks
Opening Prayer (AM) Jeff Trousdale
Closing Prayer (AM) Tommy Parker
Opening Prayer (PM) Wade Stinnett
Closing Prayer (PM) Johnny Wilbanks
Usher Raymond Sandlin

Lord's Table

Preside AM & PM Daniel Ridinger

Audio Lonnie Butler
Building Security Johnny Wilbanks
Communion Prep Anne Ridinger

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11, 2024

Song Leader Randy Pyle
Scripture Reading Larry Turpen
Opening Prayer Max Chandler
Invitation David O'Connell
Announcements Billy Leone
Closing Prayer Wade Stinnett

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY DECEMBER 15, 2024

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

Lord's Table

Preside AM & PM Larry Turpen

Audio Lonnie Butler
Building Security Johnny Wilbanks
Communion Prep Diane Jackson

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18, 2024

Song Leader David Wilbanks
Scripture Reading Allen Goode
Opening Prayer Randy Pyle
Invitation David O'Connell
Announcements Max Chandler
Closing Prayer Johnny Wilbanks

From My Heart to Your Heart

Tonight after our evening service, we will have our Annual Christmas Party. Please bring finger foods, and we will have a visit from Santa. If you are bringing your children or grandchildren, please be a Santa's helper and bring a wrapped gift for your child. We will also play Dirty Santa, so the ladies should bring a lady's gift, and the men should bring a man's gift.

Tommy Butler continues to have cancer treatments but is in very serious condition. Please keep him and Enid in your prayers. Marcia Chandler is recovering very well at home from her knee surgery. Annie Sandlin is recovering at home from neck surgery. Neal Trousdale is recovering from a stroke at home. Iris Posey broke her hip, had surgery, and is recovering. Chuck Moore's sister, Contessa Moore, has a benign spindle cell in her breast. Surgery is not planned at this time. Please pray for her. Daniel McClellan's mother, Sylvia McClellan, has had increasing problems with dementia. Karen Vaughn, a coworker and friend of Tracie Trousdale, has stage 4 lung cancer, and it has spread to her brain.

We are so proud that Chuck Moore is doing extremely well. Patricia Moore's mother, Belle Graham, is healing from her broken shoulder. Gene Britnell was released from the hospital last week and is doing well. Willodyne Gibbons is still having back pain. We need to keep little Harrison Bobo, the newborn great-grandson of Randy and Glenda Pyle, in our prayers. He is in Vanderbilt Hospital with multiple problems but has greatly improved.

Daniel Ridinger is now making monthly trips for his treatments at M.D. Anderson in Houston. Marilyn Patterson is having physical therapy and continuing to recover at home. Tony Davis, the father of Chase Davis, is doing much better. We have been asked to pray for Billy Barnes, who has cancer. He was Kathryn Miller's brother-in-law.

Randy and Glenda Pyle are helping with his mother at least once a month. James Robbins is continuing to have trouble with his feet and has other health issues. Please continue to pray for Julie Fretwell. 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. Tracie Trousdale's father, Bill Corum, is not doing well at this time.

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, Billy Barnes, Gene Britnell, Tommy Butler, Pam Dahlstrom, Julie Fretwell, Calvin Gifford, Rene Griffin, Ken and Beth Hawkins, Bill Miller, John O'Neill, and Jerry Page.

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

OUR RECORD



Sunday	Dec 1 2024
Bible Study	32
Worship AM	50
Worship PM	32
Contribution	\$2750
Weekly Budget	\$2300
Wednesday	Dec 4, 2024
Bible Study	33

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 8 Oliver Christmas Party
- Dec 26 Midweek service rescheduled for Thursday, December 26, 6:30 p.m.



Happy Birthday!

- 4 Marla Leone
- 5 Max Chandler
- 6 Krystal McClellan
- 6 Annie Sandlin
- 10 Stan Stanford
- 20 Enid Butler
- 24 Patricia Moore
- 24 Lucas Trousdale
- 27 Coaston Wilbanks
- 29 Bentley Moore

Happy Anniversary!

- 9 Jeff & Tracie Trousdale
- 13 Tommy & Enid Butler

In Our Prayers

Oliver Members: Tommy & Enid Butler, Marsha Chandler, Becky Clanton, Lella Mae Hamilton, Chuck Moore, Kathryn Miller, Marilyn Patterson, Sandra Porter, Daniel Ridinger, James Robbins, Ray & Annie Sandlin, Hazel Wilbanks, Patsy Wilbanks.

Family and Friends: Jennifer Allison (Hazel's niece's daughter), Billy Barnes (relative of Kathryn Miller), Jonna Dean Barrier, Glenda Bohanan, Melba's aunt, Harrison Bobo (great-grandson of Randy & Glenda), Gene Britnell, 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, Willodyne Gibbons, 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), Faye Pettus Hale (Annie Sandlin's cousin), Danonda Hardeman, Ken and Beth Hawkins (uncle & aunt of Chuck), Martha Hawkins, Earline Hinton (Nelda Hinton's mother), Robert Huffaker, Sylvia McClellan, Bill Miller, Contessa Moore (Chuck's sister), 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, Karen Vaughn.

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