### **INFORMATION**

#### **SHEPHERDS** Phillip Hines Lee Hobbs Darrell Sims Alan Walker MINISTERS Michael Deese Justin Smith Frank Thornton OFFICE Jan Harris

#### **DEACONS**

**Bradley Phillips** Charles Crawford Jim Reeder Matt Revnolds Mark Revnolds Harry Fuller Mike Runager Brad Shanevfelt Kerry Hamlett B.C. Smith Chris Hines Matt Steele Jared Symonds Tony Parker Tim Tankslev **Terry Thompson** 

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 9-18 Larisa Cotner Ty Sims 9-20 Desper Dobbs 9-21 Carl McCaghren Sarah Rutherford 9-22 Margaret Blackwood 9-23 Ashlev Symonds 9-24 Carmen Parker 9-27 River Steele
- 9-28 Holly Phillips

9-19 C&D Wigginton 9-22 J&C Hensley 9-23 E&R Love 9-26 A&M Smith 9-27 H &W Alford

**ANNIVERSARIES** 

Tim Brown

**Tony Ford** 

Bobby Fox

Jeff Harris

Scotty Lee



#### SUNDAYS

Common Grounds Coffee - 9:30 am Worship - 10:00 am Bible Study - 5:00 pm

#### WEDNESDAYS

Bible Study - 6:30 pm

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#### Contribution -

SEPTEMBER

9/24 - Prayer & Share 10:00

10/12 - Men's Football Tailgate

10/30 - Community Trunk or Treat

9/29 - SUPER SUNDAY

Kids Give -

Attendance Sunday AM -

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#### A Little Change and a Big God

4 Days. In 4 days Summer 2024 will officially be over. This Sunday, September 22nd brings the fall equinox and ushers in the autumnal season. I, for one, am excited. I don't normally keep up with the exact dates of when summer ends and fall begins. While I do not keep up with the exact dates, I always notice the feeling of the seasons changing and the events that come with that change. Every year around this time I take note of and enjoy the perfect temperatures, changing leaves, football on TV, watching my son jump in the leaves, time by the fire in the backyard, and weekend trips to the pumpkin patch. This time of year brings familiar opportunities and nostalgic fun.

I think many right now would call this world "unstable." An intense election in our country and global conflicts abounding might make us feel a little uneasy, and maybe having us question what the future holds (and our own sanity). Amid chaos, uncertainty, and stressful times, what do we do? Where do we look for answers? If you're asking me, hayrides and pumpkin patches is my answer. It's a little tongue-in-cheek and not guite my real meaning, but yes hayrides and pumpkin patches. These events are signs that the seasons have changed.

I'm going to be taking comfort in the seasons changing, not only for the fall's inherent beauty, but also because of what the changing seasons means. The changing seasons remind us (1) that despite our best worrying, God's world is just going to keep on spinning. (2) The changing seasons teaches us that nothing last forever, good or bad. Most importantly, (3) The changing seasons reminds us that there is a steady God behind it all. I'm reminded of Daniel's words in Daniel 2:20-21: "Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. He changes times and seasons; he deposes kings and raises up others. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning."

God's creation is His beautiful gift to us that keeps on giving. I hope you choose to let that gift guide you in your thinking about this world and its circumstances. I also hope you choose to enjoy that gift by soaking in the simple beauty of fall season and its offerings.

## NEWS, NOTES, & EVENTS



Make plans to join us for our annual **Community Trunk or Treat** on Wednesday, October 30th starting at 6:00PM. If you are interested in hosting a trunk, please sign the list in The Commons or on the Church App under the Events page.



Our **Super Sunday is next Sunday, September 29th**. Invite friends and bring a dish! There will be no PM Bible classes.



We extend our deepest sympathy to Linda Holley and Terry and Dianne Thompson in the passing of **Pete Holley**. Visitation is September 19th, from 12-1pm with the funeral following at Bennett-May and Pierce Funeral Home in Pulaski, TN with burial in Giles Memory Gardens.



Our brothers and sisters at **Union Church of Christ** have invited us to their area-wide gospel singing! It is Sunday October 6th from 2:00-3:30 PM.



Harry & Beth Fuller will be visiting with **Della Carmon** at the end of September. If you would like to send her a card, please place it in the basket on the table in the Gathering Area by **Wednesday, September 25th.** 



The two gravel lots across from the church building will be closed for the next month as the City of Hartselle will be upgrading and replacing the sidewalks. Please make plans to park in the paved lots around the building.



Thank you for all the cards, visits, prayers, food, and flowers during Mom's illness and passing. Your many acts of kindness have been a blessing during this difficult time.

Sincerely, The Family of Shirley Powell

### PRAYER LIST

**Ursula Perrin,** mother of Peggy Owens, is recovering from hip replacement surgery. Peggy is in Tacoma, Washington with her mother. Please pray for Ursula's continued recovery as well as Peggy's travels.

**Jennifer Brasher's** cancer may have spread to her liver. She will see a doctor on the 20th to determine treatment.

**Donna Binkley** began a new radiation treatment today that will be ongoing for several weeks.

Prayers for **David Bradburn** as he will be undergoing treatment and tests in the days to come.

Please continue to pray for Mary Terry, Dan Styles, Terry Easterly, Donna Binkley, Jennifer Brasher and all who are battling cancer and undergoing treatments and tests.

#### Long Term Illness

Reynolds & Katie Howard 221 Oak Trail Carolyn Jacobs 710 Azalea St NW Bill & Betty Dean Kelly 1605 Penn Rd. SW Teen Dobbins 1514 Nance Ford Rd SW Terry Easterly 162 Gum Springs Cut-Off Betty Graham 303 Bethel St. NE Telula Thornton 743 Martin St. SW Dan Styles 2509 Burningtree Dr. SE Decatur

Family members & friends: Leroy Baugus, Sophie Walker, Joseph Jacobs, Edith & Milo Shermer, Adam Holifield, James Payton, Felicia Vest.

Summerford Nursing Home: Jobie Burgess #141. Columbia Cottage: Faye Greenhill #21. Riverside Senior Living: Guy Brown #109. Westminster of Decatur: Jnell Pleasant #220. City Center Village Sr Center: Marie Harwell # 245

#### **Daily Bible Reading**

Day 259 - Isaiah 15-19, Hebrews 8-13 Day 260 - Isaiah 20-23, James Day 261 - Isaiah 24-26, 1 Peter Day 265

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 Day 262 - Isaiah 27-28, 2 Peter

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 Day 263 - Isaiah 29-30, 1 John

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 Day 264 - Isaiah 31-33, 2 John, 3 John, Jude

 Day 265 - Isaiah 34-36, Revelation 1-3