

LEADERSHIP/STAFF

Elders

- James Anderson
- Ben Coxwell
- Benn Keevan
- Billy Lambert
- Curte Stitt
- Robert Tyree

Ministers

- Ray Reynolds
PULPIT MINISTER
- Eric Whittle
YOUTH & FAMILY
- Billy Lambert
GTKYB MINISTRY
- Steve Yager
OUTREACH MINISTRY

Deacons

- Micah Allen
- Tyler Gill
- Daniel Henry
- Terry Nicholson
- Ray Reynolds
- Dan Robinson
- Casey Tomecek
- Steve Yager

Secretaries

- Sandy Daugherty
- Christy Gill

TIMES OF SERVICE:

SUNDAYS

AM Bible Classes - 9AM
Worship - 10AM
PM Bible Classes - 5PM

(Infant nursery & Sensory Room are located near the front entrance. Ask a Greeter at the [Welcome Table](#) to show you!)

WEDNESDAYS

Adult Bible Class- 10AM
Bible Classes - 6:30PM

WEBSITE / LIVESTREAM:

www.summerdalechurch.org

LOCATION/CONTACT:

1070 Hwy 59 S. - PO Box 314
Summerdale, AL 36580
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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 9AM-3PM

ONLINE GIVING:

summerdalechurch.org/give

You may also scan the QR code:



Cindy Hatcher is available for counseling appointments in person or via ZOOM. Call 251-263-3100 for an appointment.



Find us on Facebook@scocalabama

PRAYER LIST

SCOC MEMBERS: PLEASE ADD THESE NEW NAMES TO YOUR

PRAYER LIST:

- Natalia Gill: Home after hospitalization this past week w/ Sickle Cell complications.
- Glynda Jennings: Home recovering.
- Ryan Stitt: Liver failure; making improvement.
- Patti Waters: Recovering from ankle surgeries; non weight bearing for 3 more months.

SHUT-INS & HOME-BOUND: PLEASE SEND CARDS, CALL, & VISIT

WHEN POSSIBLE.

- Yvonne Collier
- Tim Howell
- Ella Mae Kellerman - (Seagrass Village in Daphne)
- Lamar & Mary Kelley: Mary is on hospice.
- Paul & Rosemary Kitchens
- Joyce Norris
- Linda Smith
- Tina Welch
- Myra Wright - Robertsdale Rehab/Healthcare

FAMILY/FRIENDS:

- Margaret Allen: Bonny Coxwell's mom: Health issues.
- Leslie Beckley: Robert Anderson's sister: Ovarian Cancer.
- Timber Bowles: Yager's nephew: Leukemia; multiple blood clots.
- Avery Bullington: Joe Gill's great nephew: Epilepsy
- Diane Chamblee: Geraldean Yager's daughter
- Mark Chaney: Lisa Rider's father: Lung Cancer.
- Matt Coxwell - (Ben's brother) Kidney Cancer.
- Lilly Gunn: 17 yr. old Granddaughter of Connie.
- Betty Heilman: Crystal Schieber's grandmother: On hospice.
- Jennifer Houston: Louis Smith's daughter
- Gardner Kesterson: 4 yr old at SCA w/ Leukemia.
- Cecil Ledbetter: Matilda's brother. Multiple health issues.
- Fred Lincoln: Barbara Howell's nephew. Colon cancer.
- Rene McDonald's mom: Rose David: Thyroid cancer.
- Lorraine Merchant: Joe's sister: Kidney disease.
- Danny Morgan: Ken's brother
- Shawna Page: Ray's sister: Undergoing cancer treatment.
- Amy Rickard: Stage 4 cancer. Undergoing treatment.
- Judy Robinson: Dan's mother: Health issues
- Marcline Underwood: Gary's mother: Eastern Shore Rehab.
- Saylor Wade: Lacy Blake's granddaughter: PURA syndrome.
- Meg Yates & baby Colson. (Nicholson's daughter) Meg is 26 wks pregnant with Colson. Meg underwent tests last week to determine if Colson will need open heart surgery & when.

MILITARY:

- Cody Brill: (Stephens' cousin) Iran
- Fischer Carr - Hawaii
- Jared Phillips - US Coast Guard
- Zane Rider
- Gisela Santos - South Korea
- Gabriel & Destiny Stephens - Air Force, stationed in TX.

MISSIONARIES:

- Jeff Abrams (Ukraine)
- Andy Erwin (McGarvey College of the Bible)
- Wayne Pruette (Guyana)

If you need to add or take someone off the prayer list, please email Christy by 3PM Wednesday: summerdalechurchoffice@gmail.com



SUMMERDALE
CHURCH OF CHRIST

ORDER OF WORSHIP: 4/26

Welcome: Billy Lambert

Lead Singing: Jared Phillips

Opening Prayer: Marco Toledo

Comm/Offering: Steve Yager

Serving:

- Mitchell Cartwright
- Wayne Herring
- Bill Madison
- Mike McLean
- Tim Smith
- Curte Stitt

Scripture Reading: London McDonald

Psalm 96:7-9

Sermon: Ray Reynolds

Closing Remarks

Closing Prayer: Benn Keevan

April Security: Joe Gill & Mike Timphony
(Contact Robert Tyree if unable to work security.)

***If you are not able to serve at the time you've been scheduled, please contact Tyler Gill ASAP so someone else can be assigned.



Visitor Registration

Welcome Visitors!

Please fill out one of our Connection Cards, located on the Welcome Table, (also in your Visitor Bag) or you may scan the QR code with your smartphone to fill it out online. We'd love the opportunity to get to know YOU!

Are You Ready to Meet the King?

I. Prepare Your _____:
The Discipline of _____
Psalm 96:7, Isaiah 26:3, Colossians 3:2

II. Prepare Your _____:
The Discipline of _____
Psalm 96:8, II Corinthians 9:7, I Corinthians 16:2

III. Prepare Your _____:
The Discipline of _____
Psalm 96:8b, Hebrews 10:25, Psalm 122:1

IV. Prepare Your _____:
The Discipline of _____
Psalm 96:9a, I Timothy 2:9, Luke 12:35

V. Prepare Your _____:
The Discipline of _____
Psalm 96:9b, Ecclesiastes 5:1, Habakkuk 2:20

NEWS & UPDATES

Welcome

Thank you for choosing to worship with us!

Visitors: You are our honored guests!
Please fill out the card in your welcome bag & drop it in the collection plate.

Or, you may scan the QR code on the front of this bulletin.



The Christian Soldiers Group (Pre-K through 6th grade) will have pizza in the fellowship hall, and then go to the Summerdale Park following the 10AM service. See Eric or Andrea for info.

SENIOR SUNDAY IS NEXT WEEK!

This will coincide with our Family 1st!

Please bring plenty of food to share with our visitors, and the family/friends of our graduates!

VBS '26: 6/28-7/1!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 4/26: Christian Soldiers Picnic & Play @ the Park after worship.
- 4/28: 11AM: "Sowing Sisters" meet @ the home of Pam Marlowe.
- 5/3: Senior Sunday & Family 1st! - Bring plenty of food!
- 5/13: 10AM-2PM: Red Cross Blood Drive.
- 5/17: 2PM: Devo w/ residents @ Country Place in Foley.



ROOTED IN FAITH

As we move closer to our Senior Sunday on May 3rd, I want to continue focusing our thoughts on lessons that are not only good for our seniors to dwell on as they enter into this next phase of their life, but are also reminders to all of us.

One of the greatest challenges in life is not simply starting well, but staying faithful over time. Anybody can be strong for a moment. Anybody can be motivated for a season. But the Christian life is built on consistency. It is built on a faith that lasts.

Paul speaks to this in Colossians 2:6-7, saying, "As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving." Notice the language Paul uses. He describes a faith that is rooted, built up, and established. Those are not words of a shallow, temporary faith. Those are words of stability and growth.

This is especially important for our seniors. As they step into a new chapter, everything around them may change. Their schedule will change. Their environment will change. Many of their relationships will change. And in the middle of all that change, the temptation will be to let their spiritual life drift. But the goal is not to simply have faith when it is convenient. The goal is to have a faith that lasts when life is new, busy, and uncertain.

The same is true for every one of us. Life has a way of pulling at us. Responsibilities grow. Stress increases. Distractions multiply. If we are not careful, we can slowly become less rooted and less established. That is why Paul's words matter so much. A lasting faith is the result of walking in Christ daily. It is the result of being rooted in His Word, connected to His people, and committed to His ways.

So here is the challenge for this week. Build a faith that lasts. Do not let change, pressure, or distraction move you away from Christ. Stay rooted. Keep growing. Keep showing up. And keep walking in Him, no matter what season of life you are in.

Because a faith that lasts is a faith that leads home.

Always remember, you are loved. **Eric**

THIS QUARTER WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE STUFF THAT ACTUALLY MATTERS — IDENTITY, DOUBT, PRESSURE, EMOTIONS, TRUTH, SPIRITUAL GROWTH, AND WHAT IT REALLY MEANS TO FOLLOW JESUS WHEN LIFE GETS HARD AND THE WORLD GETS LOUD.

YOU WERE NOT MADE TO BLEND IN. YOU WERE NOT MADE TO CHASE EVERY TREND. YOU WERE NOT MADE TO LIVE CONFUSED ABOUT WHO YOU ARE.

YOU WERE MADE FOR MORE. SO GRAB YOUR BIBLE, BRING A FRIEND, AND COME BE PART OF IT. WE'RE OPENING THE WORD, ASKING REAL QUESTIONS, AND LEARNING WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE TO LIVE LIKE YOU BELONG TO CHRIST.



DON'T MISS IT. WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS SUMMER



YOUTH CRAFT & SNACK SUPPLIES OF THE MONTH: APRIL
WATER COLOR PAINTS
WHALES SNACK CRACKERS
ROARING WATERS CAPRI SUNS



Sonshine Corner

PULPIT MINISTER - RAY REYNOLDS
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ACTIVE CHURCH MINISTRY: THE BODY OF CHRIST AT WORK

What does "active ministry" look like in a practical sense? We noticed last week that every person in the Lord's church should be a contributing member in the work. For most of my life I've heard church leaders talking about "The Big 3" ministries in the church. Let's identify those three things and their primary function to the Body.

Benevolence is the heartbeat of a living faith, manifesting as a tangible response to the physical and emotional suffering of others (Matthew 25:31-46, Acts 6:1-7, James 1:27). When we visit the sick, provide meals for the hungry, or offer financial relief to those in a tailspin, we aren't just performing a social service; we are acting as the hands and feet of Christ. This ministry of mercy recognizes that spiritual needs are often difficult to address until immediate physical crises are stabilized. By prioritizing the "least of these," we mirror the compassion of a God who cares for the vulnerable and calls His people to do the same.

Edification is the intentional process of building up the body of Christ, ensuring that every member grows toward spiritual maturity (Ephesians 4:11-16, I Thessalonians 5:11). This occurs through formal instruction, like teaching a Bible class, and through the intimate, quiet moments of mentoring a younger believer or offering a timely word of comfort. It is about strengthening the internal structure of the church so that no one has to walk their spiritual journey alone or ill-equipped. When we invest in the growth of others, we ensure the long-term health and resilience of the entire community.

Evangelism is the outward-facing mission of the church, driven by the desire to share the transformative message of the Gospel with those outside the fold (Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16). Whether it involves the simple courage of inviting a neighbor to a service, the distribution of a Bible tract, or the hospitality of hosting a small group study in one's home, evangelism is about creating bridges to faith. It is a proactive effort to reach the lost, fueled by the conviction that the message of Christ is a gift meant to be shared rather than a secret to be kept. This is why Jesus calls us to be "fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19).

If I were to add anything to the BIG 3 it would be the need for Leadership (Administration) and Missions (foreign and domestic). Leadership provides the essential framework and order that allow all other ministries to flourish effectively (I Corinthians 14:40). Missions are essential for our survival in the world, which (again) is why we must take the Great Commission seriously. There is no "small" work in the kingdom. Jesus said that even giving a cup of cold water in His name would not go unrewarded (Matthew 10:42). The beauty of this work is that anyone can serve! The Lord's church is not a bus where one person drives and everyone else sits back and enjoys the ride. It is more like a rowing team, where every person must pull their oar in unison to reach the destination. If you are looking for a place where you can be more than just a face in a crowd—a place where your talents are needed and your service is valued—you've found it! Have a great week!

You Are Loved,
Ray

APRIL - ELDER OF THE MONTH: BILLY LAMBERT

If you have a concern that needs to be brought to the attention of the elders, please contact the Elder Of The Month, who will be listed in the newsletter each week.

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WHERE CAN I FIND GTKYB?

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PRAY TV: WEDNESDAY 10:30AM
PRAY RADIO: M-F 12PM CST
YOUTUBE MUSIC
BBSRADIOTV.COM - STATION 2: M-F 1:30PM-1:59PM
COWBOY CHANNEL: SUNDAYS 7:30AM CST
-DIRECTV (CHANNEL 603)
-DISH (CHANNEL 232)
FOUNDATIONS TV: MON-SAT: 7AM, 4PM, 10PM
GREATER LOVE TV: 9:30AM
HEARTLAND TV: 6:30AM
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