

LEADERSHIP/STAFF

Elders

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

Deacons

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

Ministers

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

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

Office Directory: 251-989-7748

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summerdalechurchoffice@gmail.com

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 9AM-1PM

After 1PM: Appointment Only

ONLINE GIVING:

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You may also scan the QR code:



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

SCOC MEMBERS:

- Bonnie Alvis
- Three Blake: Radiation treatments for 2 weeks.
- Lyndia Daugherty
- Joel Frame: Surgery last Thursday.
- Matilda Knapp: Injured her back.
- Becky Nicholson
- Hilda O'Clair: Recovering from surgeries, blood clot.
- Misty Reynolds
- Jo Smith: Pneumonia
- Patti Waters

SHUT-INS: 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 - Haven Memory Care in Gulf Shores

FAMILY/FRIENDS:

- Johnathan Boley family: 4 yr old who died tragically in Jasper.
- Timber Bowles: Yager's nephew: B-cell Acute Leukemia
- Evie & Junie Boulware: Daniel Henry's nieces born premature.
- Johnnie Brown: Friend of Sandy Daugherty: Recent surgery .
- Diane Chamblee: Geraldean Yager's daughter
- Mark Chaney: Lisa Rider's father: Lung Cancer.
- Matt Coxwell - (Ben's brother) Kidney Cancer.
- Ryan Davis: Friend of Jerry/Sandy: 2nd stroke; in therapy.
- Lilly Gunn: 17 yr. old Granddaughter of Connie.
- Jennifer Houston: Louis Smith's daughter
- Cecil Ledbetter: Matilda's brother. Multiple health issues.
- Fred Lincoln: Barbara Howell's nephew. Stage 4 colon cancer.
- Rene McDonald's mom: Rose David: Thyroid cancer.
- Lorraine Merchant: Cancer.
- Shawna Page: Ray's sister: Uterine Cancer; awaiting surgery.
- Nichelle Pittman: Shoulder surgery 1/15.
- Amy Rickard: Stage 4 cancer. Undergoing treatment.
- Debbie Schwartz
- Matthew Shelton: Daniel Henry's cousin: Lymphoma.
- Rhonda Smith: GTKYB listener.
- Marcline Underwood: Gary's mother: Eastern Shore Rehab.
- Saylor Wade: Lacy Blake's granddaughter: PURA syndrome.
- Tim Wright - Candy Allen's Father: Cancer

MILITARY:

- Tyler Allen: (Bonnie Coxwell's nephew) Guam
- Fischer Carr - Hawaii
- Jared Phillips - US Coast Guard
- Zane Rider
- Gisela Santos - Stationed in Japan.
- 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: 1/18

Welcome: James Anderson

Lead Singing: Robert Tyree

Opening Prayer: Jason DuLaney

Comm/Offering: Eric Whittle

Serving:

- Dallion Blake
- Cole Linam
- Mike McLean
- Johnnie Myers
- David Stidham
- Marco Toledo, Jr.

Scripture Reading: London McDonald

John 20:11-18

Sermon: Ray Reynolds

Closing Remarks

Closing Prayer: Marco Toledo, Jr.

Sunday PM Devo: Jason DuLaney

Security: Tommy Smith & Curte Stitt
(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!

THE STORY OF Mary Magdalene

I. Where Did Jesus Find Mary Magdalene?

- A. _____
(Luke 8:2, Romans 3:23)
- B. _____
(Matthew 8:28-34, Mark 5:1-20)
- C. _____
(Romans 5:8, Ephesians 2:8-9)

II. What Did Jesus Do With Mary Magdalene?

- A. _____ & _____
(Mark 16:9, Luke 19:10)
- B. _____ & _____
(Luke 8:3, John 19:25, 20:1-18)
- C. _____ & _____
(John 20:17, Romans 1:16)

III. How Can Mary Magdalene's Story Impact You?

- A. _____
(II Corinthians 5:17, John 3:3, 5)
- B. _____
(Hebrews 6:19, Romans 15:13)
- C. _____
(John 20:18, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16)

NEWS & UPDATES

Welcome

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today!
Visitors: You are our honored guests! Please fill out the card in your welcome bag & drop it in the collection plate as it passes. You may also scan the QR code on the front of this bulletin.



Scan below to sign up for Ray’s worship during the retreat!

BLEND

FAMILIES



SIGN UP FOR THIS SPECIAL WORKSHOP AT THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAIN MARRIAGE RETREAT
MUSIC ROAD RESORT (PIGEON FORGE, TN)
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13 - 1:00-3:00 PM



If you are planning to attend Lads to Leaders this year, please fill out the registration form linked here in the QR Code. This will help Andrea register us. Please have this done by Sunday, January 25th.

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LEADERS



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Tuesdays: 10AM:** Ladies Teddy Bear Class.
- **1/22: 6:15PM:** Devo w/ residents @ Robertsdale Rehab.
- **1/24: 8AM:** Men’s Breakfast @ Mama Lou’s in Robertsdale.
- **2/1:** Family 1st & fellowship meal.
- **2/1:** Elders Meeting, immediately following 12PM service.
- **2/8:** Addressing An Audience Class begins. Sign up with Alan Jopson!
- **2/11-15:** Marriage Retreat.
- **2/15: 2PM:** Devo w/ residents @ Country Place in Foley.



COURAGE TO ANSWER THE CALL

Recently, I listened to one of my dad’s sermons entitled “*Courage to Answer the Call.*” In it he said something that has stayed with me: “**Do not look to your courage to find your identity in Christ. Look to your identity in Christ, to find your courage.**”

That sentence speaks to a struggle many of us face. We often think, “If I can just feel brave enough, then I’ll do what I know

I need to do.” We wait for courage before we obey. We wait until we feel confident to serve. We wait until we feel ready to have that spiritual conversation. We wait until we feel strong enough to face what we’ve been avoiding.

But Scripture flips that thinking. God doesn’t call His people to look inward and “work up” courage. He calls them to remember who they are and whose they are. When God commissioned Joshua, He told him, “**Be strong and courageous... for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go**” (Joshua 1:9). The foundation wasn’t Joshua’s personality or toughness—it was **God’s presence**. Joshua’s courage would come from the God who was with him.

That’s still true today. If you are in Christ, your identity is already secure. You are not trying to earn God’s love—you live from it. You are not defined by fear, failure, or your past. You are defined by the One who redeemed you. And when we remember that, courage begins to rise—not because we suddenly become fearless, but because we know we are held.

And this ties directly into our theme this year: **Growing in Christ**. Discipleship is growth—and growth requires courage. It takes courage to repent. Courage to change habits. Courage to forgive. Courage to serve when it’s inconvenient. Courage to step into Bible class, lean into worship, and be consistent when life gets busy. Most people don’t avoid growth because they don’t *want* it—they avoid it because it costs something. But when your identity is rooted in Christ, you don’t have to be afraid of the cost. You’re not walking alone, and you’re not growing by your own strength.

So maybe the question this week isn’t, “*Am I courageous enough?*” Maybe it’s, “*Do I remember my identity in Christ?*” Because when identity is settled, obedience becomes clearer. Forgiveness becomes possible. Confession becomes honest. Service becomes joyful. And sharing the Gospel becomes bold.

Don’t look to your courage to find your identity in Christ. Look to your identity in Christ—and you will find the courage to answer the call.

Always remember—you are loved. Eric



Sonshine Corner

PULPIT MINISTER - RAY REYNOLDS
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MODERN DAY FAITH HEALERS VS.
GENUINE BIBLICAL MIRACLES

Many people today still believe in the miraculous. We see religious leaders on TV and social media claiming to possess miraculous powers, often promising healing to those who follow them. While there is no doubt that God is still at work in our world and has the power to do anything He wills, we must ask ourselves: Are these modern miracles real? When we look at the Bible—specifically **I Corinthians 13:8, 14:21-22**—there is a strong scriptural basis to believe that the specific "gifts" of miracles have ceased. To help us discern the truth, let’s compare the claims of modern "healers" against the seven biblical standards set by Jesus Himself.

1. Jesus Healed Boldly - In **Matthew 8:11-13**, we see Jesus healing without requiring the recipient to have "enough faith" beforehand. He didn't turn people away because of a spiritual deficiency. Today, many healers claim that if you aren't cured, it’s because your faith is too weak. Jesus simply used a word or a touch.

2. Jesus Healed Instantly - When Jesus performed a miracle (**Matthew 8:13, Luke 5:13**), there was no waiting period. The healing was immediate. Instantaneous. Modern healers often suggest that a miracle will "take place over time," but this contradicts the instantaneous nature of the miracles recorded in the Gospels.

3. Jesus Healed Totally - In **Luke 4:39**, we see that when Jesus healed, the problem was gone for good. There were no "re-occurring problems." Today, many people who claim to be healed find themselves needing to return to the healer time and time again for the same issue.

4. Jesus Healed Without Prejudice - Passages like **Matthew 12:15** and **Luke 6:19** show that Jesus never turned anyone away. He didn't cherry-pick cases or exclude those with the most serious illnesses. Most modern healers will admit they cannot heal everyone, a stark contrast to the ministry of Christ. He healed everyone who came to Him.

5. Jesus Healed ALL Diseases - Jesus didn't just heal invisible ailments; He healed visible, organic conditions. He cured lepers, restored sight to the blind, opened deaf ears, and restored withered limbs (**Matthew 9:2, Mark 8:25, John 9:7**). Modern healers struggle to duplicate this, often focusing on ailments that cannot be visually verified.

6. Jesus Raised the Dead - The most undeniable sign of Jesus' power was His ability to raise the dead (**John 11:38-44, Luke 7:10-17**). While some modern men claim to have done this, these events almost always happen in remote areas without cameras or witnesses. If no one can duplicate this today, can they truly be called a "healer" in the biblical sense?

7. Jesus’ Miracles Were Undeniable - A key standard of biblical miracles is that they were so obvious even those who hated Jesus could not deny them (**John 11:45-47**). Modern "miracles" are often vague or happen behind closed doors, or in foreign lands without video evidence, but Jesus worked in the open. Even His enemies could not deny His works.

Modern day "healers" cannot duplicate the methods practiced by Jesus. Christ healed by a word, healed instantly, healed totally, healed everyone, cured organic disease, and raised the dead in such a way that no one could deny it. As you navigate the claims of modern religious figures, I encourage you to use these biblical standards. Put your faith in God, not in men. He is the one who will truly lead you, guide you, and heal you.

You Are Loved,
Ray

JANUARY - ELDER OF THE MONTH: JAMES ANDERSON

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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