



Carbondale
Church of Christ

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The Carbondale Church of Christ exists for the purpose of bringing honor to God the Father by imitating his Son, Jesus Christ, and spreading the gospel message. We are HIS.

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Minister: Steve Shaffer Elders: Edd Knight, Gerard Smith, Terry Taylor Youth Minister Ryan Woods

In Our Prayers

Answers!

- *Miss Genevieve was able to join us Sunday for worship
- *Adam Eversden recovering
- *Rob Young improving

Rejoicing

Sara Grubb was baptized into the Lord while at Harding at UPLIFT

Sympathy

David Monaco's Grandfather passed away Tuesday. The funeral is Thursday in Berwyn, IL.

Health:

- *George Thomas – health
- *April Knight will be on crutches a few more weeks
- *Ken and Mae Simpkins
- *Barbara May, Shannon's Aunt, cancer
- *Gwen Geyer health
- *Kay's father-recovery from surgery
- *Mike Willard-health
- *Janell's father- heart problems
- *Bonnie's aunt cancer treatments
- *Kelly's father- has MS
- *Gwen's parents-health.
- *April's parents- health
- *Elaine & Joe Clary-health
- *Elise's father-in-law – cancer
- *Kay's coworker – cancer
- *Marcus' coworker's sister- cancer, doing well
- *Mike Kinsall – cancer
- *Debbie's friend – health
- *Mike Hope – cancer
- *Mike Hope's mother – serious health concerns
- *C. J. Garris health and family's struggles
- *Billy Springer's mother- cancer condition much worse
- *Scott Wiedebach, nephew of the Thomas', improved
- *Jeff, Joanna's friend, migraines, treatments invasive
- *Jake Deaton- Kington's nephew-
- *Angie's friend delivered a stillborn child
- *John Titus has an injured back
- *Danny Simpson-Julie Suwana's brother- spinal condition
- *Angie's friend-in an accident

Serving Overseas

In Iraq Tina Harryman, Rebecca's Dad, Dee Brown's niece, Dorothy's nephew,

Area Events

Golf Scramble in Mt Vernon September 8

Sunday June 24

Song Leader-	Terry Taylor
Opening Prayer	Bob Simpson
Closing Prayer	Edd Knight
Lord's Supper	Vince Brown
Nursery	
Communion	Jolynn Smith
Children's Bible Hr (PM)	Kay Taylor

Sunday Topics

AM Study, Adults #1 Galatians 4.8-5.1 Steve Shaffer
AM Study, Adults #2 Growth Marcus Odom
AM Worship –
PM Worship – Blazing Center Steve Shaffer

Sunday Evening

5PM Life Group "Think on these things"
6PM Teen Life Group / Children's Church

Wednesday Night Bible Study

6:30 PM Devotional
6:45 Bible Classes (Adults "Listen for God's Sake")
7:00 FriendSpeak

Bridal Shower honoring Stacey Allison. The shower is at Glenda Knight's @ 2;30.

You are invited to Stacey and Frank's wedding on July 7 @ 3PM in Giant City park, Pavilion #3

Youth Events

Every Thursday 6:30-7:30 Discovery Bible Study @ Woods house

Monday Madness- 7th – 12th grades @ building. Lunch and ministry activity. 12Noon till 3PM. Bring \$2 for lunch

June

30th- Miners Baseball Game

There are new church directories on the table in the foyer. Don't forget to pick one up. If there are corrections to be made, please tell Karen.

FriendSpeak Volunteers needed

We have two students waiting to get involved in this . Please contact Terry if you can help.

We need volunteers for the nursery. Sign up sheet on bulletin board.

Details on bulletin board

Care Packages for out troops

Please save Folgers red and green plastic coffee containers.

Fence Project

We are putting up a wooden fence at the back of the building to separate us from our neighbors' commercial equipment for the safety of our children playing and to beautify our surroundings. If you can help, please give your donation to one of the elders. Brad Taylor is doing this as an Eagle Scout project.

Sunday AM 40 PM 16- Wednesday Contribution \$2117

There is a saying that says a particular road to an undesirable location is paved with good intentions. The saying is meant to emphasize the necessity of doing something instead of just thinking about it. It is similar to the saying that actions speak louder than words. Why is it that our actions speak louder than words? It must be that our actions are a better indication of what we really value and believe. In John 13:35 Jesus said, "by this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." This has been a hallmark value among Christians for centuries. Now actually loving one another involves more than simply saying "rah, rah" to the idea that people can recognize a Church where Christ is alive by the way they love each other. In the gospels and many of Paul's letters there is frequent mention of different things that keep people separated into groups. Most of the time we naturally gravitate to relationships with people that we share common interests, common hobbies, common family situations, life styles, etc. These are all the easy natural social things that cause us to hang around some people more than others. But I think that if we are going to live out John 13:35, which we see as a good thing, we are going to need to follow through on some good intentions. In Matthew 5, Jesus said, "If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?" The point seems to be that hanging around and spending time with people who are most like us does not demonstrate anything unusual. It doesn't take the power of God in us to be friends and hang around the people who are most like us. It is when we forge loving relationships with all people regardless of the differences and commonalities that we begin to demonstrate that there is a different, non-human nature at work in us. So do something intentional this week and begin to form a relationship with someone very different than you, it won't be easy, it will be un-natural, but that's the point.