

# SUNDAY NEWS

August 7, 2022

## Elders

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Daniel DuPree  
\*Aaron DuVall  
\* Chairman

## Ministers

Pulpit  
Nathan Adams  
Education  
Doug Yates  
Family & Youth  
Chris Detkos

## Deacons

Gerald Floyd  
Seth Huddleston  
Jeff Parrish



We have a great responsibility to reach out to our community. It is important that people know that we are here. I have known congregations that had almost no community recognition because they had no real efforts to reach out to make themselves known. We have a wonderful and loving congregation. I believe that is one of our great strengths. However, many people in Whitehouse and the surrounding area do not know how wonderful you are because they are not here on Sunday and Wednesday to experience it. The Fall Festival will be an opportunity for people in our community to come here and experience the hospitality of our family. The New Testament repeatedly speaks of our need to show hospitality to others. Opportunities such as this are important to the growth of a church.

Another important aspect is the need for young families. I have worked with a number of congregations struggling to keep their doors open. All of them at some point ceased to have young families. Young families bring energy and enthusiasm to a congregation. They also provide a hope for the future of the congregation in the parents and their children. The Fall Festival will appeal to all ages, but we will have a focus upon young families. Much of the plan will be similar to a one day VBS. Such a format will provide children with many opportunities to learn the Bible in fun and memorable ways. This is important because, parents want to see their children having fun and learning.

We want the people who come to the Fall Festival to remember us in a positive manner. They may not be looking for a church right now. However, down the road they may experience a 'change moment' in life. These moments are times when a person decides that they need change in their life. Change moments can be caused by marriage, birth of child, sickness, and other major life events. If in these moments a person decides they want to go to church somewhere, we want them to have a very positive memory of our congregation. That memory might bring them to our services and create an opportunity for them to be a part of this great family. Outreach and evangelism are not always a "one and done" proposition, it is about "having favor with all the people" (Acts 2:47). From that favor will come opportunities to teach the gospel of Jesus and from that teaching will come growth. Those opportunities may come weeks, months, and even years in the future. An activity like the Fall Festival prepares the soil of a person's heart for the seed of the Gospel (Matthew 13:3-9). Always remember that preparing the soil happens long before the harvest.

As with every effort of the church, success and failure is often determined by member participation. You are desperately needed in this work. There is something for everyone's abilities in this effort. If you want this congregation to grow and do good works, then we need you to help us. Please come tonight and see how you can be a part of our Fall Festival — come be a part of helping this congregation grow.

"You are the light of the world

A  
City  
on a  
Hill

Cannot be hidden."

Matthew 5:14



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## Today

 **Bible Class** — 9:30 A.M.  
**Auditorium Class**

### BOOK OF ACTS

Teacher:  
Nathan Adams



 **Worship** — 10:30 A.M.  
See back of bulletin for the order of service.

 **Evening Worship** — 5:00 P.M.  
See back of bulletin for the order of service.

 **Fall Festival Planning Meeting** — After evening service in the Fellowship Hall

## Tuesday, August 9th

 **Men's Bible Class** — Will start back in September.

 **Ladies Bible Class** — Will start back in September.

## Wednesday, August 10th

 **Midweek Bible Study** — 7:00 P.M.  
**Auditorium Class**

### “From the Garden to the Grave”

Lesson Two — In the Hands of Sinners

Jesus faces abuse and an unjust trial before the Jews.

Teacher:  
Nathan Adams

## Friday, August 12th

 **Parents Night Out** — 5:00 P.M.

## Wednesday Night Class This Fall

The Book of

# REVELATION

Beginning September 7th



## Welcome to Our Family

If you are visiting with our church family today, we are thankful and overjoyed to have you with us. It is our hope and prayer that you are encouraged by your time with us. We look forward to getting to know you better and sharing with you the love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

## Parents Night Out

Parents Night Out will be this Friday beginning at 5:00.

## Dinner & Devo

This month's Dinner & Devo will be on Saturday the 20th from 5:30-7:30 P.M. It will be at the home of Barrett and Jessica Carter.

## Two Upcoming Showers

**Baby Shower** — Samantha Denton  
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM on Saturday, August 27  
Home of Pam Lott at 2314 Kingsmill Circle, Tyler, Tx. 75703. Samantha has selections at Target.

**Bridal Shower** — Aleisha Light  
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM on Sunday, July 28 in the Fellowship Hall. Aleisha is registered at Target, Bed Bath & Beyond, and Amazon.

## “From the Garden to the Grave” The Path to Our Salvation

Wednesdays in August  
STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY

## WAYS TO GIVE

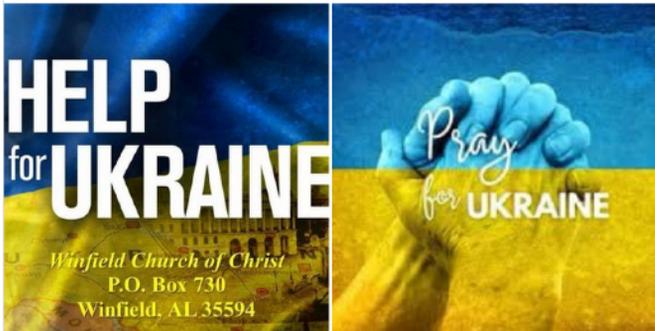
“He who sows bountifully, will also reap bountifully.”

1 Corinthians 9:6

- ➔ Place in the **Blue Boxes** in the foyer as you enter/leave.
- ➔ You can give online through our website using the **Donate** button at [www.whitehousechurch.org/giving](http://www.whitehousechurch.org/giving)
- ➔ You can mail your contribution to the church office.
- ➔ You can contact Gail in the office about direct deposit from your bank.



Our Fall Festival will be on Saturday, November 5th. Lord willing, this will be our largest congregational event since the COVID shutdown. This will be a great time for fellowship and outreach. We will have a planning meeting **TONIGHT** in the Fellowship Hall after our evening services.



If you would like to help the Lord's church in Ukraine, you can send a check to Winfield Church of Christ at P.O. Box 730, Winfield, AL 35594. Earmark it for "Ukraine Help".



## Family & Youth

### Is the Bible Trustworthy?

By Chris Detkos

Part 4

**WHAT THE SKEPTICS CLAIM:**

"Not only do we not have originals [of the Biblical manuscripts], we don't have the first copies of the originals... What we have are copies made... much later."

**WHAT HISTORY ACTUALLY TELLS US:**

Although the original manuscripts from the Biblical authors have been lost - probably forever - the copies we possess today reliably reveal the author's inspired message. The manuscripts copies that we have are close enough to the time of the original writing for people to still be alive and refute the copies if they were not accurate to what is recorded. The lack of original writings can be for several reasons; lost, buried like the dead sea scrolls, burned in a fire. Even at times, because of how valuable parchment was, it was a custom to scrape off the ink of the parchment to reuse it.

Even thou the critics' claims, it is possible that we possess first-generation copies of the original New Testament manuscripts. In 200AD, the churches in Philippi, Corinth, Ephesus, Thessalonica, and Rome retained original writings by the New Testament authors. Several New Testament sections have been copied around 100 and 200AD and found in Egypt.

Even though the Skeptics claim there are too many possibilities for error in the accuracy of the Bible, we have overwhelming evidence of the shortness of the timeframe between the original writings and the copies. We also need to remember that the reliability of these copies is accurate. We can compare all of these copies of the manuscripts to one another, validating the accuracy of the original writings. When the manuscripts are compared, they entirely agree with one another more than 99% of the time. Of the remaining differences, not even one difference decisively affects any aspect of the Christian faith.

**A FINAL THOUGHT:**

In 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:16, Paul says, "All Scripture is inspired by God..." God is in control of the writings of the Bible, His Word, the complying of the manuscripts, and the timeless accuracy of the Bible to stand the test of all time. Skeptics have been around since the beginning of time., yet, they still have not been able to disprove the authenticity of the Word of God. So can the Bible be trusted? In a word:

**YES!**

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## Morning Service

Song Leader: Seth Huddleston  
Song #144  
I Worship the King

Call to Worship  
Ernest Bennett

Song #800  
What a Friend We have in Jesus

Song #777  
Father Hear the Prayer We Offer

Prayer  
Damon Elkins

Song #176  
Lamb of God

Lord's Supper  
Aaron DuVall

Scripture: Matthew 15:21-28  
Caleb DuPree

Song #540  
Oh For a Faith That Will Not Shrink

Sermon: Nathan Adams  
A Woman of Great Faith

Song #911  
Bring Christ Your Broken Life

Song #535  
The Glory Land Way

Prayer  
Sagar Solanki

**Please leave your Attendance  
Cards in the pew.**

## Evening Service

Call to Worship  
Ernest Bennett

Song Leader: Seth Huddleston  
Song #381  
Years I Spent in Vanity

Song #414  
Anywhere With Jesus

Prayer  
Jerry Mitchell

Scripture: Luke 7:2-10  
Damon Elkins

Song #450  
Give Me the Bible

Sermon: Nathan Adams  
A Soldier of Great Faith

Song #453  
Love Lifted Me

Song #574  
Oh How I Love Jesus

Prayer  
James Kent

## Wednesday Bible Study

Greeting/Prayer: Doug Yates

Song: Seth Huddleston

Closing Prayer: Chris Detkos

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OFFICE HOURS  
Monday — Thursday  
8:00 AM — 4:00 PM  
Friday: 8:00-12:00  
Gail Bennett - Office Manager

TIMES OF SERVICES  
Sunday AM Bible Study 9:30 AM  
Sunday AM Worship 10:30 AM  
  
Sunday PM Worship. 5:00 PM  
  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM

2022 STATISTICS  
Sunday, July 31st  
Sunday AM Attendance: 124  
Contribution: \$5,437

Placed Membership: 7  
Baptisms: 1  
Restorations/Prayers: 1

2022 Averages:  
Sunday AM Attendance: 128  
Contribution: \$9,425  
Weekly Budget: \$10,638

**We have an attended Nursery for ages 6 months to 2 years.**



## Online Resources Available

- Website: [www.whitehousechurch.org](http://www.whitehousechurch.org)
- We stream and archive all worship services on our website.
- Our website contains Biblical teaching tools