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"But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils."
I Corinthians 10:20-21



WORSHIP SERVICES

Sundays @ 8:00 a.m.
Worship Service In Sanctuary
& Drive-Up (Tune into FM 87.9)

Sundays @ 9:15 a.m.
Bible Study (All Ages)
(Drive-Up Available)

Sundays @ 10:30 a.m.
Worship in Sanctuary & Drive-Up
(Live-Streamed & available on
Church App Sunday afternoon)

Sundays @ 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship Service

Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study (FMC 101)
Young Adult Bible Study
(Ages 18-30) FMC 207
Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
Adult Teachers' Meeting (FMC 213)
Youth Bible Study (Youth Room)
RA's, GA's & Mission Friends (FMC)

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Welcome

January

Oscar "Joey" Sharp
JoAnna Sharp
Michael Beavers

February

Remy Nelson
Charles "Eddie" Jenkins
Micah Myers
Howard Gibson
Debbie Gibson
Pierre Guillory

March

Tammy Long
Bry'Anna Morgan

April

Juanita Bossier
Ezekiel Cunningham
Brianna Cunningham
Liam Aucoin

May

Karson Powell

June

Gregory Blackwell
Alicia Blackwell
David Hickman
Dallas Erwin
Jayden Burnham
Jackson Landry
John Gilley

July

Christopher Ishee

August

Cami Bourque
Riley Bistes
Juliet LeBlanc
Natalie Huffman
Ashlynn Luper
Missouri Varnado
Gracie Simer
Dave Belmar
Candace Belmar
Kaydence Hurst
Lisa Winstell

September

Andrew Hughes
Morgan Voth
Jonathan Voth
Thomas Morgan
Darian Powell
Drake Giovenco
Clinton Levi Morgan
Darel Marcotte
Delinda Marcotte
Baileigh Marcotte
Marilyn Wallace
Daniel Hamilton

New Zion News

New Zion Baptist Church
17387 New Zion Church Road
"The Place to Begin Again"
October 2025

FROM YOUR SENIOR PASTOR'S PEN

We have so much for which to be thankful! If we would pause regularly and count our blessings, we would thank God for all He has done for us. One of the blessings He has given us at New Zion is the blessing of Godly ministers' wives. For a pastor or his staff to be effective, we must have Godly and supportive wives. Pause for a moment and thank God for Pam, Wanda, Derinda, Bridget and Krista. We are blessed.

October is designated as "Clergy Appreciation Month." We should show our appreciation all the time because of their faithful service to us. But this month is set aside for you to show your appreciation in a tangible way. You will have the privilege and blessing to be a blessing to them through a love offering. Tell them how much you appreciate them, and show them how much you love them. You will bless them and you will be blessed.

Homecoming is October 5th. We will not have our 8:00 a.m. Worship Service because we all want to meet, celebrate, and worship together at 10:30 a.m. We will have Sunday School/Life Groups at 9:15 a.m., and then we will have a meal together after the 10:30 a.m. morning service. Bro. Corey Jenkins will "come home" and preach for us. Bro. Luke Williams will lead worship. It will be a great day!

Another great opportunity for fellowship, service, and evangelism is our Fall Festival. It is for every member. There will be food, games, fun and fellowship. This will be Sunday, October 26th, from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Come and invite friends!

I want to thank everyone for your faithfulness. God is blessing, and wow, how God blessed our work, prayers and faithfulness for the Blessing of the Hunt and for the ladies' faithfulness to the "Mercy's Mountain Melody." God blesses when we are faithful to share the Gospel. Thank you!

May God continue to pour out His Spirit among us, and may we share what He is doing with everyone we know.

You are loved,
Bro. Clark



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FROM YOUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR/MINISTER OF MUSIC/CELEBRATE RECOVERY LIAISON

Thank you for recognizing my wife and all of our ministerial staff's wives on September 28th. We cannot do what we do without their support, both at church and at home. They help the Holy Spirit keep us on point, in good times and in challenging times. We are all so blessed. And all of us greatly appreciate your love and prayer support too.

Praise God for His continual hand on New Zion and our ministry to the community and surrounding area. The faithfulness of His children to worship, Bible study and ministry is incredible. I love how He continues to add new members and stir up the membership unto praise, worship and service. I am especially thankful for the MANY who've stepped up to sing solos over the past several weeks. What a refreshing addition to our worship times! I'm looking forward to more of that!

We have started our Christmas Musical, "MAJESTY: A Multi-generational Worship Experience for Christmas." That's right! Our children, youth and adults will be making up the worship leaders on stage for this one. I have CD's, USB sticks, song sheets and binders. Everything you need to enjoy getting ready for **December 14th at 10:30 a.m.** Let me know when you're ready to get started in the choir.

I'm also thankful for our Celebrate Recovery ministry that continues to meet almost every Monday night (except for church events, severe weather or pandemics). Almost every meeting lately has included returning and new faces. Our leadership team is faithful and fearless and ready to do their part to see lives changed one at a time. Why don't you come next Monday at 7:00 p.m. to the Family Ministry Center and see what God wants to do in your life?! He's waiting for YOU to make the next move toward Him, happiness, peace, forgiveness, joy, and so much more. Thanks for your continued prayers. CR is FREE! It's for ALL adults in the area. Pass the word! Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the FMC. It really is "The Monday night place to be!"

I LOVE to share His love through music, media, Celebrate Recovery and more. ALL to HIS glory alone. Come be a part!

Bro Toby

FROM YOUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR/ADMINISTRATOR

I don't know about you but it seems to me like "father time" is moving forward faster than ever. In a few more days we will be in the month of October. **We will celebrate homecoming on October 5th** with Bro. Corey Jenkins preaching. No 8:00 a.m. service on the 5th; Life Groups at 9:15 a.m., worship at 10:30 a.m. followed by a church wide meal. As always, the church provides the meat and "we all" bring the side dishes. Bro. Clark calls it "Pot Luck." If we don't bring the pot filled with food, we are out of luck. Two things come to mind when I think of a church celebrating homecoming.

First, we all get to share in celebrating another year of this church, New Zion, existing here in Blond, Louisiana sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ and striving to make disciples of those who worship God with us. **Second**, I am looking forward to hearing Bro. Corey preach that morning. He is one of us! He has gone out from among us to serve the Lord in another church on the mission field, in Mississippi. Corey's heart is to serve God through serving His church and sharing the "good news," the gospel of Jesus Christ. It will be a good day of celebrating together as a church family.

Another event taking place in October is: **Wanda and I want to invite all the widows and widowers in our church family** to join us for a fish fry at our house on **Friday, October 10th from 5:00 p.m. till**. We will eat at 5:00 p.m. When everyone has finished eating there will be some exciting games/events/challenges, **mature people activities**, for those who want to participate. A first and second place trophy will be given, based on a point system. Just some "friendly" competition. In order to prepare enough fish and trimmings we are asking those of you who plan to attend to sign-up on a sign-up sheet located in the sanctuary foyer. Wanda and I, along with several couple volunteers, are excited about honoring those among us whose spouses have passed from this life. We hope you will join us!

Also, on Saturday October 18th from 8:00 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. we will have a **work day** here at our church plant. Our Building and Grounds Committee has scheduled this time so we can take care of several maintenance jobs that need our attention. Everyone is invited as we strive to keep God's house in better shape than our own houses. There is a list of jobs we will be addressing located on a clip board in the church foyer. Please check this list and sign-up next to the task that you are skilled in taking care of on this day. Together we can get a lot accomplished on the 18th. Hope to see you present!

May God be glorified through your life and mine as we serve Him here at New Zion.

Bro. David

FROM YOUR YOUTH & CHILDREN'S MINISTER

The Children's Committee is excited about the upcoming Fall Fest. This is an event for our ENTIRE church family, children through senior adults, to get together for an evening of fun, fellowship & food. We will have games, sausage, biscuits, hotdogs, and a chili cook-off. To help with the Fall Fest, we need you to be willing to donate the following items:

- Little Debbie's: Any variety is welcome! Swiss Rolls, Cosmic Brownies, Nutty Bars, Zebra Cakes, etc.
- Candy: We're seeking all types of individually wrapped candy - chocolates, gummies, lollipops, caramels, hard candies, & more.
- Chili: We will have a chili cook-off. Bring your best crockpot of chili. Judges will determine the best chili, and the winner will receive a \$50 gift card.

You can leave the candy and Little Debbie's in the church office or the baskets in the foyer of the sanctuary.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH
5:00-7:00 PM
FREE FAMILY EVENT FOR THE COMMUNITY

Food Games Petting Zoo Hay Ride

17387 New Zion Church Rd
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GUYS RETREAT
Friday 10/31- Sunday 11/2
Location: Bardy's Camp in Bay St. Louis MS.
Cost: \$15 a person



Activities: Fishing Boating Kayaking Bible Study Football

sign up at www.newzion.net

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Youth and Children Camp and retreats
Pastalaya Fundraiser
Sunday November 2nd
Cost \$10

Tickets will be released on September 28th



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2026 YOUTH BEACH CAMP
JUNE 22-26 COST \$450

MORE INFO TO COME

I WANT TO GO TO CentriKid summer camps

SAVE THE DATE

for kids currently in 3rd - 6th grade

IMPORTANT CHILDREN'S CAMP INFO
Centri-Kid, July 26th - 30th
@ Timber Creek in Pulaski, Mississippi
Total Cost \$385

****\$100 deposit is due by February 2nd****

Signup Opening Soon

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES**Homecoming Sunday October 5th**

NO 8:00 A.M. SERVICE

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. ~ Bro. Corey Jenkins Preaching

Bro. Luke Williams leading worship

(A Love Offering will be received.)

Meal & Fellowship after in FMC Gym. Please bring side dishes.

No Evening Activities

All New Zion Widows & Widowers are invited to Bro. David & Wanda's house, 9 Green Leaf Lane in Covington, for a fish fry on Friday, October 10th, from 5:00 p.m.—Til. Meal served at 5:00 p.m. There will be some fun activities provided. **Please sign-up on the clip board located in the sanctuary foyer by Sunday, October 5th.** We are looking forward to our time of fellowship. Bro. David & Wanda

**WOMEN'S PRAYER MEETING (SFH)**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH @ 6:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.



Men's Breakfast - Sunday, October 12th @ 7:00 a.m.
FMC Gym - Men of ALL AGES invited!

**ESTHER - LADIES' BIBLE STUDY (FMC 205)**

WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 15TH, 22ND & 28TH @ 7:00 P.M.





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OCTOBER MEETINGS**Adult Class SS Teachers' Meeting**

Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. FMC 213

Women's Prayer Ministry

Wednesday, October 8th @ 6:30 pm-8 pm

Safety Meeting (Youth Room)

Thursday, October 9th @ 6:00 p.m.

Stewardship Committee Meetings

Sundays, October 12th & 19th @ 3:00 p.m.

Long Range Planning Committee

Wednesday, October 15th @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Council Meeting

Sunday, October 19th @ 4:00 p.m.

Deacons' Meeting

Sunday, October 19th @ 7:15 p.m.

Quarterly Business Meeting (Budget)

Wednesday, October 22nd @ 7:00 p.m.

Women on Mission Meeting (SFH)

Thursday, October 23rd @ 6:30 p.m.

**WOMEN ON MISSION****SEWING FOR MISSIONS**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

9:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. (FMC)



Celebrate Recovery
A CHRIST CENTERED Recovery Program

MONDAYS
7:00 P.M.

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Ladies' ONLY FREE exercise class
Mondays & Thursdays
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. (SFH)