

“Jesus, the Light of the World”
John 8:12

I. The P_____ of the Light

A. To R_____ His D_____ John 1:4
John 9:35-38; John 10:30; John 1:1-3, 14; John 14:8-9

B. To R_____ D_____ I John 1:5-7; John 1:5

II. The P_____ to whom the Light is given John 8:12
“of the world” Kosmos - John 1:9 every man

A. The P_____ - God reveals His light to every person.
Psalm 19:1-6; Romans 2:15; 1:17-21; Every person is morally
enlightened. God’s law is written in their heart, Every person is without
excuse. Romans 2:15

B. The P_____ with man John 1:5
“and the darkness comprehended it not” John 3:19-20
Therefore all men are accountable for the Light they have been given.
You will receive it (John 1:12) or reject it.

III. The P_____ to those who receive the Light v12b

A. To W_____ was the promise given - “he that followeth me”
A follower is one who is a disciple, one who is an attendant, and one
who accompanies another. One who abides with Him and completely
obeys Him; He leads & we follow - complete obedience, not half hearted.

B. W_____ is the promise

1. His Light will change our A_____. v12c
“shall not walk in darkness” I John 1:5-7; Romans 13:12-13;
Ephesians 5:8-9

2. We will have a new A_____ - a new relationship.
“but shall have the light of life” We now possess a new life - His Light
through us is from His Life in us.

Matthew 5:13-16 - As the moon reflects the light of the sun, we are to reflect
the Light of Jesus as He lives in us.

APPLICATION
What did God say to me through this message?

How does my life measure up to this Word?

What action(s) will I take to bring my life in line with this Word?

What truth do I need to further study?

Morning Worship		
VBS Commencement Service July 12th, 2026 10:30 a.m.		
Prelude		Pianist
Call to Worship	VBS Theme Song: "Illumination Station"	
Preschool Presentation		
Welcome & Ministry Opportunities		Bro. Matt
Pledges, VBS Bible Verse & Motto		
Invocation		Bro. Matt
Offertory Song	"House of the Lord"	
Worship through giving of His tithes and our offerings of love		
Children VBS Songs Presentation		
"God's Promised Son"		
"Perfect"		
"Shine"		
"Bright"		
"Forgiveness in You"		
Message from God's Word	"Jesus, the Light of the World" John 8:12	Bro. Clark
Hymn of Response No. 305	"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"	
Benediction & Blessing of the Meal		
Everyone is invited to the Family Ministry Center for food & fellowship.		
 NO EVENING ACTIVITIES TONIGHT (Evening Worship will resume next week at 6:00 p.m.)		
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New Zion Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School
Commencement Service

July 12th, 2026

Who We Are

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REFIT® Ladies’ ONLY
FREE exercise class
Thursdays @ 6 pm-7 pm
(Small Fellowship Hall)

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Celebrate

Recovery

A CHRIST CENTERED Recovery Program

Mondays

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Celebrate Recovery needs folks willing to serve in a life-changing, hands-on, Christ-centered ministry. If you have “hurts, habits or hang-ups” that need healing, Celebrate Recovery is looking for you! See Kathy Godail or Bro. Toby for information.

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!

Go to our church website or app and click on the Give link.

Give from any smartphone, tablet or computer.

newzion.net

WELCOME GUESTS!

We’re glad you’re here! We have nursery for infants through age 3 in the Family Ministry Center. You will receive a pager so you can be notified if needed. Please be sure to return the pager when you pick up your child. Thank you for worshipping with us today. We pray God speaks to your heart. Let us know how we can better serve you.

Sunday July 12th	
8:00 a.m. Babies	N/A
8:00 a.m. Toddlers	N/A
10:30 a.m. Babies	Elyssa Byrd Jadyn Wood
10:30 a.m. Toddlers	Mary Byrd Tammie Byrd
5:00 p.m.	NA
6:00 p.m.	NA

NO Children’s Church Today, July 12th

Wednesday July 15th	
NA	
Sunday July 19th	
8:00 a.m. Babies	Brandon Voth Jamie Voth
8:00 a.m. Toddlers	Paul & Katie Tosso
10:30 a.m. Babies	Mary Guidry
10:30 a.m. Toddlers	Jeannie Janke
5:00 p.m.	NA
6:00 p.m.	Josh Stampley Brooke Stampley

Children’s Church July 19th
Cade & Sarah Dawsey (8:00 a.m.)
Josh & Brooke Stampley (10:30 a.m.)

Wednesday July 22nd
NA

Deacons to Count
July 12th
Randy Hickman
Noel Maestri
Mark Dufrene

Deacons to Count
July 19th, 26th & August 2nd
Hank Durr, Dane Smith & Milton Fricke

Weekly Calendar

Sunday July 12th	
NO 8:00 a.m. Worship Service	
Life Groups (All ages)	9:15 a.m.
VBS Commencement Service (Meal to Follow in FMC Gym)	10:30 a.m.
NO 6:00 p.m. Worship Service	
Monday July 13th	
Celebrate Recovery	7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Tuesday July 14th ~ Ladies’ Exercise Class (FMC)	
9:00 a.m.	
Wednesday July 15th	
Long Range Planning Committee Meeting with Building Fundraising Committee	
Prayer Service; Adult Choir Practice	5:30 p.m.
Women’s Prayer Ministry (SFH)	6:30 p.m.
Adult Class SS Teachers’ Meeting	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Thursday July 16th	
NO Lunch Ministry	
Safety Meeting	6:00 p.m.
REFIT Ladies’ Exercise Class	6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Friday July 17th ~ Ladies’ Exercise Class (FMC)	
9:00 a.m.	
Sunday July 19th	
Worship Service	8:00 a.m.
Life Groups	9:15 a.m.
Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Stewardship Committee Meeting	3:00 p.m.
Church Council Meeting	4:00 p.m.
Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
Deacons’ Meeting	7:15 p.m.

Wednesday Night Youth & Children’s Bible Study resumes
Wednesday, August 5th.

To listen to the Worship Services on the radio, tune to FM 87.9

Life Groups Attendance July 5th: 248



	Tithes & Offerings	
	Weekly	Year-to-Date
Sunday, July 5th		
Weekly Offering Required for Budget	\$ 16,934.65	\$457,235.55
Total Offering Given 7/5	\$ 20,647.98	\$460,178.69
Georgia Barnette		
Missions Offering Goal	\$ 8,000.00	
Missions given to date	\$ 2,592.38	
Long Range Planning including		
Building Fund on hand	\$160,526.96	
Playground Fund on hand	\$ -15,606.37	

The weekly bulletin & past sermons are available on-line at www.newzion.net. If you would like a FREE copy of a sermon, please see a sound technician or Bro. Toby. If you have information to be included in the church bulletin, please submit to the office or e-mail to newzion@newzion.net by Wednesday afternoon.

Upcoming Meetings & Opportunities

Adult Class S.S. Teachers’ Meetings, Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m. (FMC 213)
Long Range Planning Committee Meeting, Wednesday, July 15th @ 5:30 p.m.
Women’s Prayer Ministry, Wednesday, July 15th @ 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. (SFH)
Safety Meeting, Thursday, July 16th @ 6:00 p.m.
Stewardship Committee Meeting, Sunday, July 19th @ 3:00 p.m.
Church Council Meeting, Sunday, July 19th @ 4:00 p.m.
Deacons’ Meeting, Sunday, July 19th @ 7:15 p.m.
Quarterly Business Meeting, Wednesday, July 22nd @ 6:30 p.m.
Building Fundraising Committee Meeting, Sunday, July 26th @ 4:30 p.m.

Dominican Republic Mission Trip

July 12th-July 17th

YOUTH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SUNDAY, JULY 19TH - WEDNESDAY, JULY 22ND

6:00 pm-8:30 pm ~ 7th-12th Grades

Register online @ newzion.net

Women on Mission Sewing for Missions

Saturday, July 25th ~ 9 a.m.-12 p.m. ~ FMC

Children’s Camp @ Timber Creek (Pulaski, MS)

Sunday, July 26th - Thursday, July 30th

Senior Adult “Silver Sonshiners” Dinner & A Movie (\$10)

Saturday, August 1st @ 10:00 a.m.

Meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room for the movie “Flywheel.” An Italian dinner will follow in the FMC Gym. Purchase your ticket from Milton or Robyn Fricke no later than Sunday, July 26th.

Baby Dedication Services

Sunday, August 16th ~ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Please contact church office if you want to dedicate your baby & email up to 5 pictures to Bro. Toby @ tobhug622@aol.com no later than Sunday, August 9th.

BLOOD DRIVE

August 16, 2026 ~ 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

If anybody donated whole blood before June 14th, they are eligible to donate again on August 16th.

Kathrine Robin Blakey Baby Shower

Sunday, August 2nd ~ 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Small Fellowship Hall

Registered at www.babylist.com

LADIES' EXERCISE CLASS

Tuesdays & Fridays @ 9:00 a.m. ~ Family Ministry Center

Weights, Bands, Balls (Water Bottles / Soup Cans—Bring what you have.)

Work at your own pace and strength level. All Ages Invited!