



91	Restoration Church	5810 Wall Triana High-	Madison	35758
92	Monrovia Community	254 Allen Drake Drive	Huntsville	35806
93	Harvest Baptist Church	8999 Wall Triana Hwy	Harvest	35749

### In Appreciation To Our Pastoral Team

**Dr. Carlton P. Byrd, Senior Pastor**  
**Dr. Toussaint Williams**  
**Pastor Paul Goodridge**  
**Pastor Marc Raphael**  
**Pastor Jason North, and**  
**Pastor Lloyd Wilson**

**we say, “thank you for your untiring, and faithful service to our church and community”.**

To the faithful volunteers who present food to those drive bys every Wednesday morning at the Family Life Center.

Thanks to all of our doctors, nurses, health care providers, and workers who help to keep us safe.

To Mrs. Vivian Brown for her continued efforts, in designing the newsletter for your information and reading enjoyment.



**Best wishes always,  
“Trust and Obey”**

**Dr. Jessie Mary Godley-Bradley**



Newsletter created by Vivian Brown

Fall 2020

# Senior Express

Oakwood University Church  
Dr. Carlton Byrd, Senior Pastor



Dr. Jessie Bradley, Leader

Hello Family, Welcome Fall,

October is a very special month, in the year, for all of us. Lots of exciting moments, past and present are reflected, observed and celebrated, in October: Birthdays, Anniversaries, Baby Dedications, Breast Cancer Awareness, and Pastoral Appreciation Month. Happy Birthday to all the October born babies including yours truly (October 20). Thank you for celebrating with me too.

The times in which we are living are very different, and challenging, for all of us, but there are some families, struggling for many, and varied reasons that some of the rest of us have no knowledge of.

Let us continue to pray for each other wherever we are. Call family members, and friends daily to confirm their well being, and inquire of their needs. Share encouraging and positive words and thoughts with them. **“Don’t become weary in well doing.”**

To our bereaving families, and Mayor Tommy Battles in the loss of his wife, we say “we love you, and our prayers will continue for you.” God loves you.

To all our educators, **PreK-18**, and employees who are serving day to day, in person, or virtual, we say thank you. Continue to trust God, and encourage our students to love and obey Him, in spite of the circumstance we experience, or hear about.

Today, we will spot light some of our photographers. The first spot light is on the Instructor of our OUC Sr. Adults Ministries sponsored Photography Class, Mr. Oliver Shipe. Please take a look at the beauty of their website, created by Vivian Brown, class member and secretary. There are two ways to access their website: **(1)** The website of Oakwood University Church, [oucsda.org](https://oucsda.org)►Ministries►Senior Adult Ministries ►Photography Class; **(2)** [vbrow1001.wixsite.com/mysite](https://vbrow1001.wixsite.com/mysite) (no spaces) The SAM newsletters are also available at [oucsda.org](https://oucsda.org). You may also register for the photography class on their website.

The second spot light is on Mr. Joe Booth and the Photographer Team at the Oakwood University Church. God has given everyone a talent, and we appreciate and expect the services of photographers at all occasions. Please take a look at pages 2-4.

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# Oliver Franklin Shipe

**Photography Facilitator**  
**for the Senior Ministries Photography Class**  
**of Oakwood University Church**  
submitted by Jacqui Shipe



While at Greeneville High School, Oliver Franklin "Frankie" Shipe was an outstanding member of both the GHS Track & Field and Basketball teams. He was named All Big Seven Conference for three years (1968, 1969 & 1970) as a Track & Field athlete. He qualified all three years for the Tennessee Secondary Schools Athletic Association State Meet in Track & Field, won the Big Seven Conference Decathlon all three years, won the Big Seven Conference Long Jump all three years, won the Big Seven Conference Triple Jump all three years, held the Big Seven Conference record in the Triple Jump until, the conference expanded, qualified for the Amateur Atlantic Union National Junior Olympics in 1968 in both the Long Jump and High Jump, and participated at the district and regional levels of the AAU National Junior Olympics in 1969 and 1970. Shipe ranked among the Top 10 Triple Jump athletes in the U.S. during his senior year and still holds the GHS Triple Jump record today.

Frank Shipe was 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All Big Seven Conference in Basketball during his senior year and was All County in Basketball for two years. Frank was elected "Most School Spirit" as a senior superlative and graduated from GHS in 1970. He was recruited by East Tennessee State Univ. and the University of Tennessee in Track & Field and attended the University of Tennessee — Knoxville, Tusculum College and East Tennessee State University. He attended UT-Knoxville on a Track & Field Scholarship in 1970, attended Tusculum College where he coached Basketball and graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Health, Physical Education and Recreation in 1976 .

He taught and coached for 1.5 years at David Crockett High School—football, track and girls basketball. In 1980 he joined the teaching staff and served as health education teacher and coach (boys basketball, boys/girls track, boys/girls cross country) at Greenville High School. He later served as the Athletic Director for the Greeneville City Schools for 12 years which included overseeing programs for girls track, cross country, soccer, volleyball, tennis, basketball golf.

Frank Shipe is a retired GHS administrator and classroom teacher. He is a U.S. Navy veteran that enlisted for 4 years during the Vietnam conflict. Frank started his photography business in 1980 while still an educator. He is an accomplished fine art, nature and wedding photographer and the owner and CEO of OShipe Photography. He has been teaching photography for the Oakwood SDA Church for the past seven years on Sundays. Beginners: 9 a.m.– 10 a.m.; Intermediate: 10am to noon.

He is married to the former Jacqui Gates and resides in Gurley, Alabama. He is an active member of Abundant Life S.D.A. Church in Huntsville. He is the proud father of two daughters (the late Sherry Shipe and Geniese Shipe Bolden of Memphis) Frank and Jacqui together have five children and sixteen grandchildren.

45	Lakewood Community Center	3601 Kenwood Drive NW	Huntsville	35810
46	West Huntsville Baptist Church	2211 Triana Boulevard	Huntsville	35805
49	All Nations Church	3614 Drake Avenue	Huntsville	35805
50	St. Luke Christian Church	1800 Sparkman Drive NW	Huntsville	35816
51	West Huntsville Church of Christ	1519 Old Monrovia Road	Huntsville	35806
53	Intergraph Corporation	230 Business Park Blvd	Huntsville	35824
54	Sherwood Baptist Church	6600 Madison Pike	Huntsville	35806
55	New Market Fire Station	146 Jacks Road	New Market	35761
56	Maysville Church of Christ	3017 Gurley Pike	Gurley	35748
58	Little Indian Creek P.B. Church	884 Indian Creek Road	Huntsville	35806
60	Triana City Hall	620 6th Street	Triana	35756
61	Rivertree Church	652 Taylor Road	OXR	35763
62	Gurley Senior Center	339 3rd Street	Gurley	35748
63	Madison Mission 7th Day Adv. Church	183 Shelton Road	Madison	35758
64	Pineview Baptist Church	5614 Highway 53	Harvest	35749
65	Toney United Methodist Church	5465 Old Railroad Bed Rd	Toney	35773
66	Mary Kelly Johnston Gym	127 Caty Huma Lane	Meridianville	35759
67	Plainview Church of Christ	14500 Hwy 231-431 North	Hazel Green	35750
68	New Hope City Hall	5496 Main Drive	New Hope	35760
69	Madison Public Library	142 Plaza Boulevard	Madison	35758
70	First Church of God - Madison	1547 Capshaw Road	Madison	35757
71	Madison City Hall	100 Hughes Road	Madison	35758
72	Locust Grove Baptist Church	171 County Lake Road	New Market	35761
73	Plevna/New Market Fire Department	7085 Winchester Road	New Market	35761
75	Owens Cross Roads City Hall	9032 Hwy 431 South	OXR	35763
76	First Baptist Church of Meridianville	175 Monroe Road	Meridianville	35759
77	Brownsboro Baptist Church	4315 Hwy 72 East	Brownsboro	35741
78	Monrovia Church of Christ	595 Nance Road	Madison	35757
80	County Commission District #1 Office	9457 Moores Mill Road	New Market	35761
81	Bobo Volunteer Fire Department	7982 Old Railroad Bed Rd	Ardmore	35739
83	Meridianville Church of Christ	12228 Hwy 231-431 North	Meridianville	35759
84	Mt. Zion Baptist Church	228 Mt. Zion Road	Huntsville	35806
85	Harold Harbin Gym	168 Carriger Road	Hazel Green	35750
88	Faith Lutheran Church	660 Gillespie Road	Madison	35758
89	Madison Baptist Church	840 Balch Road	Madison	35758
90	St. John's Catholic Church	1055 Hughes Road	Madison	35758





## 2020 Polling Locations

PCT #	Precinct Location	Address	City	Zip
1	A&M University Gym	4900 Meridian Street NW	Normal	35762
2	Charles Stone Agricultural Center	819 Cook Avenue Ste. 106	Huntsville	35801
3	Jackson Way Baptist Church	1001 Andrew Jackson Way	Huntsville	35801
4	First Baptist Church	600 Governors Drive	Huntsville	35801
5	Optimist Park	703 Oakwood Avenue	Huntsville	35811
6	Northeast Huntsville Training and Conference Cen-	2135 US Hwy 72 East	Huntsville	35811
7	Cove Church at Chase	1635 Winchester Road	Huntsville	35811
8	Clements Baptist Church	1413 McClung Avenue	Huntsville	35801
9	Trinity Presbyterian Church	4315 Holmes Avenue, NW	Huntsville	35816
10	Monte Sano United Methodist Church	601 Monte Sano Blvd SE	Huntsville	35801
11	Cove United Methodist Church	366 Old Hwy 431	OXR	35763
12	Hampton Cove Church of Christ	409 Old Big Cove Road	Brownsboro	35741
13	Covenant Presbyterian Church	301 Drake Avenue SE	Huntsville	35802
14	Southwood Presbyterian Church	1000 Carl T. Jones Drive	Huntsville	35802
15	Willowbrook Baptist Church	7625 Bailey Cove Road	Huntsville	35802
16	Westside Community Center	125 Earl Street	Huntsville	35805
17	Trinity United Methodist Church	607 Airport Road	Huntsville	35802
18	The Whitesburg Center	7300 Whitesburg Drive	Huntsville	35802
19	Weatherly Heights Baptist Church	1306 Cannstatt Drive	Huntsville	35803
20	Aldersgate United Methodist Church	12901 Bailey Cove Road	Huntsville	35803
21	The Dwelling Place	2550 Redstone Road	Huntsville	35803
23	Hillwood Baptist Church	300 Kohler Road	Huntsville	35803
26	Community Fellowship	7905 Logan Drive	Huntsville	35802
27	Oakwood University Church	5500 Adventist Boulevard	Huntsville	35896
29	Madison County Nature Trail	5000 Nature Trail Road	Huntsville	35803
31	St. Matthews PB Church	3200 Sparkman Drive	Huntsville	35810
35	First Missionary Baptist Church	3509 Blue Spring Road	Huntsville	35810
36	Dr. Richard Showers Center	4600 Blue Spring Road	Huntsville	35810
37	New Shiloh Church Ministries	5101 Mastin Lake Road	Huntsville	35810
38	Robert "Bob" Harrison Senior Wellness and Advoca-	6156 Pulaski Pike	Huntsville	35811
39	Calvary Hill Friendship Center	2900 Fairbanks St, NW	Huntsville	35816
40	Lewis Chapel C.P. Church	5001 Pulaski Pike	Huntsville	35810
44	Pleasant Springs Baptist Church	409 Winchester Road NE	Huntsville	35811



*Joe Booth, Leader*



*David Stewart, Asst. Leader*

## Photographers of Oakwood University Church

The Oakwood University Church (OUC) photography team's genesis originates from the importance of professionally documenting the church's services and its activities through the medium of still images. Having been supported by a great photography team during his pastorate at the Berean SDA church in Atlanta, Georgia, Pastor Carlton P. Byrd requested that Joe Booth, assisted by David Stewart, Jr., spearhead and organize a viable team similar to the one in Atlanta.

Joe and David had recently moved to the Huntsville area from the Atlanta area where they were a part of the Atlanta Berean photography team and had already transferred their memberships to OUC. Knowing they had the Pastor's full support, during August of 2016, they jointly accepted the challenge and efforts began immediately to start the Oakwood University Church Photography Ministry (OUCPM). They began recruiting other photographers while the two of them single-handedly covered the church's activities. This initial effort allowed little time to sit with their families in church, but their families were quite cooperative.

The criteria to be a team member was simply a thorough working knowledge of his/her camera with experience, to have the ability to visually tell a story in photos, capture chronological events of OUC activities in photographs, to be able to work successfully together as a team, to use a professional editing application to properly edit photographs, and to upload final images to the OUC website and all that with little or no assistance. Soon after that came the design of a black shirt to identify each photographer on the team.

Jake Nixon, from the Ephesus SDA church team in New York City, Emmitt Slocum and Eric Moses, all good photographers, were the first photographic story-tellers to join the team, and later Choya Wise, Cecilia Yarborough, Billy Woods, Matthew Ochieng and Victoria Wheatley-Stewart were great additions to increase the strength and skill of the team.

We are encouraged knowing that individuals the world over have enjoyed more than 60 galleries containing thousands of photographs from OUC services, its activities (including its community outreach), and its latest addition, the new Family Life Center, completed in February of 2019. Their images are also used to support Breath of Life Ministries and have been published in multiple SDA journals, including The Southern Tidings, a journal of Southern Union Seventh-day Adventists. During the Covid-19 pandemic, the team has continued to advance its knowledge and skills through group practice sessions and photographic classes to remain prepared for the reopening of the church.





Billy

Choya



Cecilia

Victoria



Jake

Matthew



Eric

Emmitt



**“Be joyful today! March on, Suffragists, the Victory is yours,” and ours.**

Election Day, November 3, 2020 is almost here. As Christians, we believe that our country is a place where everyone counts, and where every ballot/vote is counted, regardless of race, religion, gender, ability, accent or zip code. If you haven't voted, please plan to do so! If you need help in locating the poll where you vote, please call the **City Clerk's** office at 256-772-5610. The poll locations are listed in this newsletter on pages 6-8.

Voting has begun in almost every state. Tens of millions of ballots have been cast. This is the final stretch to do your part, in an effort to unite our country. Your vote will determine the outcome of this election.

**November 1, 2020**



**Veterans Day—November 11, 2020**

We honor all of our male and female veterans who served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Thank you for defending our freedom.

**November 26, 2020**

**Thanksgiving**

Enjoy the holidays . **Don't get scammed!** The holidays are days scammers really prey on senior citizens. **Be careful and watchful in your everyday activities. If in doubt, don't.**