Welcome to Mt. Zion Christian Church! We are glad you chose to worship with us and hope you feel at home.

As our guest, be sure to pick up a gift bag in the foyer as you leave.
Also, please fill out the communication card in the bulletin and drop it in the offering plate so we may know who you are!

Thank you for being with us today.

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Praise & Worship

Meet & Greet

More Praise & Worship

Communion

All baptized believers are invited to participate as the emblems are passed. Please place empty cups in the holder located under the seat in front of you.

Offering

This is our opportunity to return to God a portion of His blessings to us.

Message—Whit Criswell Hot Topic—"Gambling"

Invitation Song

At the end of each message we offer a time of decision. If you want to accept Christ, be baptized, or join this church, please come to the front during this time.

Baptisms (if applicable)

MT. ZION CHRISTIAN CHURCH EXISTS TO:

WORSHIP GOD SHARE JESUS LOVE OTHERS

NURSERY

Our nursery provides a loving, warm environment for infants through age three. It is divided into three sections; sleepers, crawlers, and walkers, to ensure your child's safety.

Child registration is located at the main nursery entrance, located directly off the main lobby. When registering, you will receive a pager in the event you need to be reached.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Preschool through 5th graders meet in fellowship hall, located through the breezeway, off the east hall. They enjoy refreshments and praise time before going to their individual classrooms (where they should be picked up following the service).

Children are encouraged to attend their own worship groups and classes. Here they learn about Jesus through drama, music, and videos that relate especially to them.

JUNIOR HIGH (6TH, 7TH, & 8TH)

The "Live Wires" meet at 10:10 a.m. on Sundays (during worship) and at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays in the classroom off of the small sanctuary. In addition to learning about God and His Word, they enjoy foosball, games and snacks.

IGNITE YOUTH GROUP

(In God Nothing Is Too Extreme)

The Sr. High age group meets in the "barn" located directly behind the church, on Sundays and Wednesdays at 7pm. They enjoy lots of activities, events, and fundraisers throughout the year, however, their main ministry is an annual summer mission trip.

GREETER'S MEETING

Today, immediately following the service, Debbie (Spencer) Davis will have a brief meeting for those on the current "greeters" schedule, and for anyone who would like to be a greeter (approx. once a month). The meeting will be held in the conference room located directly off of the main foyer.

Please note the changes in "HOT TOPICS" schedule:



7/29—Gambling (Whit)

8/05—**Heaven / Hell** (Kenny)

8/12— Alcohol (Whit)

THIS WEEK

TODAY

7 pm—Jr/Sr High Youth Groups

MONDAY

5:15 pm— Women's Exercise

6 pm— Women's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

5:15 pm— Women's Exercise

6:30 pm— Prayer time in Adult Sunday School Room

7 pm— Adult Bible Study in kitchenette

7 pm—Joyful Noise (grades 1-5)

7 pm—Jr/Sr High Youth Groups
Join their new study
"NOT A FAN".

THURSDAY

7 pm— Praise Team Practice

SATURDAY

10 am— Women's Exercise Class



at Mt. Zion! (See insert)







COMMUNICATION CARD

JULY 29, 2012

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	sign up for our Newsletter/Prayer Request Emails, go to our website www.mtzioncc.com
	_ Address/phone no. change
	_ I am a member of Mt. Zion Christian Church
	_ I ATTEND MT. ZION ON A REGULAR BASIS
	_ I AM A VISITOR. THIS IS MY FIRST, SECOND, ORTHIRD VISIT
	_ I would like to speak to a minister
AGE	<u>12-18 </u>
CHILDI	ren & Ages

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Greeting this week: SERVING Bill & Alice Holskey Erin Abshear Maribeth Rowland

Serving this week: Tad Cain Ed Jernigan Steve Haskins

Larry Lawson Gary Lawson Shane Oldfield Jim Lane Ed Haddix Mike Provence

Greeting next week:

Paul & Judy Blackwell **Dawn Raines** Terri Bryant

Serving next week:

Willis Jackson **David Drusicke** Louie Allison Thad Ferrell Gary Stanfield Donovan Mitchell Randy Palmer Bo Rushing Mike Cord

PRAYER CONCERNS	Date: July 29, 2012	
For		
Attends Mt. Zion		
Sick at home		
In the hospital (name of hospital)		
Death		
Other Special Needs		
Submitted by		
Phone Email		



What is Gambling? "Gammon"=Games. It is an activity where a person risks something of value, usually money, to the forces of chance, completely beyond his or her skill, in hopes of winning something of greater value, usually money, at the expense of

Where does the Bible say "Thou shall not gamble?"

someone else.

From the Kenny Rogers' song, "The Gambler," let's look at some principles about gambling:

1. You've got to know when to _____ them.

"Moreover when God gives any man wealth and possessions, and enables him to enjoy them, to accept his lot and be happy in his work—this is a gift of God." Ecclesiastes 5:19

Questions to ask yourself when it comes to Gambling:

- What is your motivation for gambling? Luke 12:15
- Is gambling a wise management of the money God has given us? Psalm 24:1 "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it."
- Are you trusting God or trusting luck? Isaiah 65:11-12
- Does somebody else have to lose in order for me to win?.

2. You've got to know when to _____them.

"Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle." Proverbs 23:5. Rationalize is _

3. You've got to know when to _

"Hard work brings prosperity. Playing around brings poverty. The man who wants to do right will get a rich reward. But the man who wants to get rich quick, will quickly fail." Proverbs 28:19-20 (LB) "People who want to get rich fall into a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction." 1 Timothy 6:9

4. You've got to know when to _

"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.." | Timothy 6:10

5. One more part that I added to the song. You've got to know ____

- *Proverbs 11:28 (LB) "Trust in your money and down you go. But trust in God and you will flourish."
- *Jeremiah 29:11-13a "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you, declares the Lord, "and will bring you back from captivity...."

____ too late to start over. "You can't go back and make a brand new start, but you can START and make a brand new ENDING." Who are you betting on? JULY 29, 2012

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