



# Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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December 18, 2014

#### ELDERS:

Tim Bagents  
Don Brannan  
Ted Norton

#### DEACONS:

Billy Bush  
Roger Dill  
Tim Gotkiewicz  
Steve Housley  
Wayne Johnston  
Jimmy Mathews  
Roy Mulkey  
Randy Porterfield  
Jeff Simpson

#### MINISTERS:

Steve Housley, Pulpit  
Tim Gotkiewicz, Youth  
& College

#### SCHEDULE:

##### *Sunday:*

9:00 a.m. Bible Class  
10:00 a.m. Worship  
5:00 p.m. Worship

##### *Wednesday:*

6:30 p.m. Bible Study

**RADIO PROGRAM**  
**WMGY 800 AM DIAL**

**Sunday's 7:30-8 a.m.**  
**With ROGER DILL**

#### STATISTICS 12/14/14

Bible Class: 141  
AM Worship: 181  
PM Worship: 112  
EMBF: \$91.00

**WELCOME!**

## December 21st

# CONTRIBUTION GOAL

# \$12,420.00

**Current Budget YTD: - \$571.41**

**12/14/14: \$12,508.29 (+ \$388.29)**

## PURPOSE CARDS

ALL Purpose cards need to be in by this Sunday, Dec. 21st. Give to one of the Elders: TIM BAGENTS, DON BRANNAN, or TED NORTON.

## TUESDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Since Dec. 24th and 31st fall on Wednesdays this year, our services will be moved up to Tuesdays, Dec. 23 and 30th, for those two weeks. Mark your calendars!



# Happy Holidays!



We hope that each one of you have an enjoyable and safe Holiday Season!

Steve, Tim, Jimmy, and Wilma

## **FROM THE MINISTER:**

**Thank You!** Many helped make last week's Christmas Dinner a great success. The food was wonderful. Thank you to Billy Creel and Lindsey Mulkey for doing the cooking. Ted Norton, Banks Sewell, and Joe Hooks prepared the "sides" and did a lot of transporting to get it all to the FU Rotunda. Terry Bagents along with her crew, Shirley Kaye, Faye Allen, Cindy Mulkey, and Tish Housley, worked several hours decorating and setting the tables. A special thanks to Alan Kaye for providing his PA system to use for the entertainment and for the background music as we ate and cleaned up. Thank you to Alan Kaye, Jinny Khantisourya, Turner Johnston, Henley Khantisourya, Tish Housley, Denise Martin, Sarah Housley, Derek Carnley, Alan Clements, Paul Clements, and Gladys Clements, and Charlie Boddy for providing the entertainment. Thanks to Tim Gotkiewicz, Jimmy Khantisourya, Kelsey Evans, Turner Johnston, Miranda Porterfield, Banks Sewell, Luke Ferrell, Gracie Johnston, Ammaly Khantisourity, M. V. Sewell, and Jacque Hagan for serving. What a wonderful time we all had! I look forward to next year!

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.** We are nearing the Holidays and I hope you all have a safe and happy Holiday Season. If you travel, be safe. Enjoy some extra time with your family. Remember, we will have mid-week services on TUESDAY both Christmas week and New Year's week.

**Thursday Class.** The Thursday Class will begin again January 8. We will be engaged in a study of the gospel of Mark for the Spring. We will average a chapter a week in our study. If you have not been attending, why not start? Thursdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

**Purposing.** This was the best first day turn in of purpose cards, ever. Thank you for your cooperation. If you did not turn your card in Sunday, do it soon! Again, thanks for your cooperation. A presentation of the 2015 Budget will take place on January 11. Pray for the elders in planning Eastern Meadows work for the coming year.

## **16 Periods of Bible History**

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| ◆ Before the Flood            | ◆ Invasion and Conquest of the Land | ◆ Captivity             |
| ◆ The Flood                   | ◆ Judges                            | ◆ Return from Captivity |
| ◆ Scattering of the People    | ◆ United Kingdom                    | ◆ Years of Silence      |
| ◆ Patriarchs                  | ◆ Divided Kingdom                   | ◆ Life of Christ        |
| ◆ Exodus                      | ◆ Judah Alone                       | ◆ Early Church          |
| ◆ Wandering in the Wilderness |                                     |                         |

## FROM THE YOUTH/COLLEGE MINISTER:

For the youth group:

Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup>. Movie night; we'll watch "It's a Wonderful Life" and do the fire pit thing (weather permitting, of course).

Our holiday party and gift exchange has moved to January 10<sup>th</sup>. I want as many as possible to be involved, and December got a little too busy for everyone, so we'll do a "Christmas in January" party. Details to follow.

ICYC AP week is June 28-July 3. Let me know by January 1<sup>st</sup> if you want to go.

Lads to Leaders registration and deadline for event participation is January 20, 2015. This means that all pre-convention events such as Mass Media entries and Song Composition, Bulletin Board, Good Samaritan, Second Language, Centurion of Scripture, and Know the Books must be completed by January 20<sup>th</sup>. The Pearls test and Bible Bowl test are February 11-23, 2015.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS 12/18/14

**Sunday, Dec. 21, 2014 / Leading the congregation in:**

**Announcements:**

**A.M.: Steve Sewell**

**P.M.: Steve Sewell**

**Opening Prayer:**

**A.M.: Tim Bagents**

**P.M.: Charlie Boddy**

**Closing Prayer:**

**A.M.: Ryan Gotkiewicz**

**P.M.: Jimmy Mathews**

**Singing:**

**A.M.: Alan Kaye**

**P.M.: Alan Kaye**

**SICK:** Prayers have been requested for JENNY JOHNSON, friend of Charlotte Patterson, who is scheduled for extensive reconstructive surgery on her foot Jan. 8. Prayers have been requested for Kayla Knowles' mother, CINDY BORROUGHS of Poquoson, VA, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer and will undergo surgery Jan. 5. LEIGH SANDLIN continues to recover from out-patient surgery. Sick at home Sunday: JOY DAVIS, HELEN DILL, SHIRLEY HANCOCK, ROY MULKEY, JERRY & CHARLOTTE PATTERSON, DONNA PILGIM, and DOROTHY SULLIVAN. *Battling Cancer:* MIKE NORMAN. *Shut-ins:* SYBIL SCOFIELD, TAM LOWERY, INELLA BOWDEN, JACKIE JOHNSTON, and JEWEL BARNES.

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST:** (Health Issues) JAMES JUSTUS, CINDY MATTOX, LAURA NICHOLS, PHILIP SAMPLEY, WALT YOUNG, JOYCE YOUNG, and JENNY JOHNSON. (Battling Cancer) DENNIS DRAGOTTA, KEVIN PENICK, ANDY ALLEN, GLEN BARRON, and RUSSELL CARNLEY.

**SYMPATHY:** Our sympathy is extended to Dawn Chandler and family in the passing of her father, HERB DOWE, on Tuesday. Mr. Dowe's memorial service will be at Southern Memorial Funeral Home this Friday, 3 PM. The family will be receiving friends from 1:30 until 3.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** LEENA JEAN FUTRAL was born to NATHAN & KALLIE FUTRAL Wednesday, Dec. 17. Leena weighed 7 lbs. and was 19 in. long. Big brothers are AIDEN, NOLAN, and LAWSON. The proud grandparents are MIKE & BARBARA NORMAN. Congratulations to all!

**SUNDAY BIBLE LESSON:** 12/21 & 28—*Exodus*, (Ex. 1—Num. 13); 1/4 & 11—*Wandering in the Wilderness*, (Num. 14—Duet. 34).

**JANUARY 2015 CALENDAR:** All events for the January calendar must be turned in by Dec. 28, to Wilma Berry.

**BULLETIN:** There will not be another bulletin until Jan. 1, 2015.

## COLLEGE EVENTS

• **Jan. 7:** Return from Winter Break

• **Jan. 11:** Wed. Night Desserts return

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **Dec. 20:** Movie Night, "It's a Wonderful Life"
- **Dec. 27-30:** Exposure
- **Jan. 10:** After Christmas Party
- **Jan. 11:** Area Wide Youth Devo—Walnut St.

### TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

*Last week's question:* Noah's descendants settled in the land of Shinar and said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower, whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves,..." Why? A) lest we be scattered abroad (Genesis 11:4)

*This week's question:* Who came first?

A) Seth or Cain; B) Noah or Methuselah; C) Esau or Jacob



## THE BACKSLIDER'S CALENDAR

- **JANUARY.** I promise to start attending worship regularly, but first I've gotta get over the holidays.
- **FEBRUARY.** Weather's terrible. I'll start when it gets a little warmer.
- **MARCH.** Lots of sickness. Got to stay in and keep away from all those "bugs".
- **APRIL.** Easter...Big crowds...They won't miss me.
- **MAY.** End of the school year and so much to do.
- **JUNE.** I'll wait until after vacation so I can be regular when I start.
- **JULY.** Boy, this heat is awful! I'm afraid that the air conditioning at the church building would give me the chills. Besides, we haven't been up to the cabin in a couple of weeks. Can't neglect the old boat too long either, you know.
- **AUGUST.** The preacher's on vacation and I just don't like those guest speakers. But I'll promise you this, when the preacher gets back...
- **SEPTEMBER.** School's started and everything is behind. We haven't been to see Tom's mother for a while - you know how it is when you have a boat - and we will be there this Sunday.
- **OCTOBER.** Leaves are so beautiful this time of the year. Winter's coming on and the kids will be cooped up all winter.
- **NOVEMBER.** Getting colder...they must keep that church building too hot. I just can't stand it with all those people there.
- **DECEMBER.** Christmas Holidays! It belongs to the kids, I always say. We just don't have time for church right now, but I'll promise you this: next month is January and I'm going to get started, etc., etc., etc. One lie after another.

--Selected Articles

January, 2015

1 Genesis 1-3  
2 Genesis 4-7  
3 Genesis 8-11  
4 Genesis 12-15  
5 Genesis 16-18  
6 Genesis 19, 20  
7 Genesis 21-23  
8 Genesis 24, 25  
9 Genesis 26-28  
10 Genesis 29, 30  
11 Genesis 31, 32  
12 Genesis 33-35  
13 Genesis 36-38  
14 Genesis 39-41  
15 Genesis 42-44  
16 Genesis 45-47  
17 Genesis 48-50  
18 Exodus 1-3  
19 Exodus 4-6  
20 Exodus 7-9  
21 Exodus 10-12  
22 Exodus 13-15  
23 Exodus 16-18  
24 Exodus 19-21  
25 Exodus 22-24  
26 Exodus 25-27  
27 Exodus 28-29  
28 Exodus 30-32  
29 Exodus 33-35  
30 Exodus 36-38  
31 Exodus 39-40

**2015  
BUDGET  
SUNDAY  
Jan. 11th**



**A LOOK  
at the  
BUDGET**