



# Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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June 26, 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 6/22/14

Bible Class: 144  
AM Worship: 189  
PM Worship: 104  
EMBF: \$93.00

**WELCOME!**

# BUDGET CATCH-UP

## SUNDAY, JUNE 29TH

# \$16,520.00

Fifth Sunday's have been designated as Budget Catch-up Sundays. When necessary, we are asked to catch-up on our giving so our budget can accomplish all it is set-up to do. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

Sunday's Budget Catch-up Goal is **\$16,520.00**. This is an increase of **36%** over our weekly budget of \$12,120.00, which will provide for the catch-up and for a small cushion.

## FROM THE MINISTER:

**Sunday Giving.** I think it is wonderful that an average attendance of about 200 on Sundays have a budget of \$12,120. That we are as close to the budget as we are is due to your faithful giving. Our elders have been very careful in their budget planning and the budget accurately, very accurately, reflects the expected spending of the year; hence, the needed giving requirements. There is no fluff in the budget. It is not like a Christmas Wish List. It is a true reflection of the work of which Eastern Meadow is a part. It is God's work. Thank you for your diligence in meeting the weekly budget. Of course we are a bit behind for this quarter and need to catch up. Please do as you can so that we may start the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter at or ahead of budget.

**T-N-T. Tuesday Nights Together.** For several years our Ladies have had and every Tuesday dinner and study together for a number of weeks in the Summer. This year men are going to crash the party. Well, not exactly. Men will fill their plate and then the men will go eat together in the offices while the women eat together in the tea room. The ladies will have their class while the men have a men's class. The men will have a study similar to the women's study. Tuesday Nights. Eat at 6:30 p.m. Class at 7:00 p.m. All is finished by 8 p.m.

### TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

**Last week's question:** This week's question: Paul wrote to Philemon, "But, meanwhile, also \_\_\_\_\_, for I trust that through your prayers I shall be granted to you." C) prepare a guest room for me

**This week's question:** The Hebrew writer said, "Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief \_\_\_\_\_."

A) that denies the Christ; B) in departing from the living God; C) that denies the gospel of Jesus Christ.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS 6/26/14

**Sunday, June 29, 2014 / Leading the congregation in:**

**Announcements:**

A.M.: Josh Cochran

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**Opening Prayer:**

A.M.: S. Neuenschwander

P.M.: Ryan Gotkiewicz

**Closing Prayer:**

A.M.: Tim Gotkiewicz

P.M.: Robert Vickrey

**Singing:**

A.M.: Jon Timbes

P.M.: Jon Timbes

**SICK:** RED TAYLOR, Dianne Hoskinson's father, moved to HealthSouth today for further therapy. Those that were sick at home Sunday: HELEN DILL, JERRY & CHARLOTTE PATTERSON, and JOY PUGH. Continue to remember our shut-ins: SYBIL SCOFIELD, TAM LOWERY, INELLA BOWDEN, JACKIE JOHNSTON, and JIMMIE LINDSEY.

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST:** (Health Issues) DALTON & SYBIL DAVIS, BETTY ALLEN, WAYNE & UDEAN HALFORD, REX ROBERTS, ELIZABETH ENGLEBERT, RUTH WHITE, DONNIE HILLIARD, BRIAN REAM, NATALIE HAYS, RED TAYLOR, PHYLLIS BLACKWELL, and WILLIAM NICHOLS. (Battling Cancer) BESSIE FRAZIER, CHERYL ROGERS, ANITA RYALS, DENNIS DRAGOTTA, and LULA WILLIAMS.

**SUNDAY BIBLE LESSONS:** 6/29—Lesson 83: *Christ Abolishes Levitical System*, Heb. 7-10; 7/6 – Lesson 84: *Heroes of Faith / Live a Godly Life*, Heb. 11-13.

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** There will not be a meal June 29th or July 6th. Team 2 (Gotkiewicz) will host July 13.

**JULY 1st T-N-T:** Salads, Sandwiches, & Dips Meal at 6:30 PM / "Prepare to Shop" Class at 7 PM

**AREA WIDE SINGING:** Alexander City Church of Christ will host the area wide singing Friday, July 11, 7 PM.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** We congratulate MOLLIE BETH DILL in receiving the Bible Award at Camp Wiregrass recently. Good job, Mollie Beth!

**NEW ADDRESS:** Robert Minnie, & Laura Vickrey, 705 Waverly Lane, Prattville, AL, 36067

**BENEVOLENCE SUNDAY:** We will **NOT** have Benevolence Sunday this week, but will schedule one in the near future.



## LA DYBUGS



**Ladies Building Unity in God's Service**

**"Seventy-Times-Seven"**

- **Quilting/Sewing:** Tuesday's, 3-5 PM & 3rd Saturday's, 1-4 PM
- **Visitation:** See Tish, Terry, or Shirley for day & time
- **July 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29:** T-N-T, 6:30/7 PM
- **July 18:** B&D Club Lunch, 11:30 AM @ Firebirds

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- **July 20–25:** ICYC (Jerry Martin Week)
- **July & August:** Service Projects
- **Aug 1-2:** Southern Evangelism Conference

**2014 WEEKLY BUDGET: \$12,120.00**

**6-22-14 Contribution: \$11,922.42**

**Budget: -\$197.58 / YTD: -\$3,380.75**

*The following article was written by Cindy Dendy for the "Ladies Corner" in the Moulton Church of Christ June 15, 2014 Bulletin.*

## My Brothers' Shoes Day

At Moulton church of Christ we have some special annual events. We have "Friends and Family Day" and "One Awesome Day". What if we added another day? It could be "My Brother's Shoes Day". It would work like this. At the end of morning service all shoes would be removed and placed in the middle of the room. Each pair of shoes would be numbered. Then each person would draw a number to determine who got which shoes. The shoes would have to be worn until evening service and then returned to the owner.

I can only imagine the lessons that could be learned. What if I drew those gorgeous spike heels I have admired for so long? They have open toes and red bows. They make the owners legs look long and sleek. I just know if I could wear those shoes I would look so good. But by the end of the day I might see things differently. I might find that these shoes are no fun. They pinch my toes and make my calves throb. If I look deeper into the owner's life I might see her pain too. Maybe she is so insecure that she feels she has to do things to draw attention to herself. Maybe she feels no one would love her unless she is "flashy". Now, I feel sorry for her and vow to become her friend. I will pray that she realizes that God loves her just the way she is. I will assure her that people love her with or without those gorgeous shoes.



But, what if I draw those terrible scuffed up loafers? They have holes in the soles and unraveled stitching. I've often shook my head in disgust at the sight of them. The owner and his wife both have good jobs. He should dress more appropriately to come to God's house. What if at the end of the day my feet ache from the worn out soles and stretched out sides? What if I understand now that no one wears shoes like these by choice, but only when there is no extra money for better? Maybe, I will learn that they are paying enormous medical expenses for a loved one and have too much pride to ask for help. He has happily chosen loving his brother over loving his shoes. Hopefully, I will no longer look on these shoes with disgust. Now, I will see them as a badge of love, generosity and pride. Now, I will pray for this family and try to think of ways I can help them without embarrassing them.



Of course, I might draw those dreadful, old fashioned pumps. The ones that have the strap across the ankle and are that dull shade of gray. I've always thought the owner must be very boring. Therefore, I've never wasted my time befriending her, even though she has always been cheerful, smiling and friendly. After a day in these shoes my opinion might really change. I might learn that boring can be great! Boring can be comfortable, secure and peaceful. The straps on those shoes give great support. The lower heels leave my feet rested and comfortable at the end of the day. There was no pinching or rubbing on my toes. My feet were able to just be themselves, with no attempt to impress anyone. I am able to smile and enjoy evening service because my feet feel great!



After this day I would realize the comfort that comes from being yourself and that God loves us just the way we are. And His love is more important and exciting than any shoes on earth. I would understand that my purpose is not to draw attention to myself by "out dressing" someone else, but rather to concentrate on my brothers and their needs. I would pray to God, giving thanks for people like the owner of these shoes. Their example helps us to realize that living a simple life is really not boring, but filled with an abundance of rewards.

At the end of this day I know I would look at things differently. After walking in my brothers' shoes my heart would be filled with a new appreciation and compassion for my brothers. I believe that all of my former opinions and judgments would be packed in old shoe boxes waiting for the garbage truck. I hope that I would always remember that it's God's place to judge my brothers and my place to love them.

--Cindy C. Dendy

## What You Discover as You Get Older

- ◆ I started out with nothing and I still have most of it.
- ◆ All reports are in – life actually is unfair.
- ◆ Funny, I don't remember being absent-minded.
- ◆ If all is not lost, where is it?
- ◆ I now spend a lot of time thinking of the hereafter. I go somewhere for something and wonder what I'm here after.
- ◆ Funny, I don't remember being...absent-minded.

*"A merry heart doeth good"* (Pro. 17:22).