



# Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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February 5, 2015

#### 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

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Sunday's 7:30-8 a.m.

With ROGER DILL

#### STATISTICS 2/1/15

Bible Class: 135  
AM Worship: 175  
PM Worship: 112  
EMBF: \$298.00

**WELCOME!**

# MARRIAGE DAY

*-February 22-*

## CHARLIE BODDY

**Bible Class, 9 AM: "Ten Commandments For  
A Happy Marriage"**

**Worship, 10 AM: "How To Keep The Magic  
In Marriage"**

**Worship, 5 PM: "Building Blocks And Cement  
Of Marriage"**



**Mark your calendars. Plan to attend. Invite others!**

## THANK YOU!

*Thanks to your hard work and commitment, the 2015 Montgomery Benefit Dinner was a record-setting one. About \$22,000 was raised for the Mount Dora Children's Home, just shy of our \$25,000 target amount. Your prayers, financial support and encouragement all help make possible the life-changing work that occurs here on a daily basis. We're here to serve.*

*In Him, Dave Hogan, CFP*

## ***FROM THE MINISTER:***

**Congratulations!** Tish challenged her Sunday morning Bible Class to bring their Bibles and to fill out the Sunday Sermon Outline on the back of the announcement page. Of course she had to see their Bible and after church they showed the filled out sermon outline to her. For their faithfulness in doing this they will be rewarded with a bowling outing. Those to be congratulated and commended are A.J. Nichols, Norton Sewell, Tennison Norton, Tyler Chaney, Landon Evans, and Aiden Futrell.

**An observation on the way to Tennessee.** It is very rare that we are not in worship Sundays at 5 p.m.; however, this past Sunday we were in the car from 5-6 p.m. travelling to the F-HU lectures. The first session was Sunday 7:30 p.m. We passed by many churches (of all sorts) that were having evening services. None seemed to be well attended. There were very few cars. Then we say a parking lot full! I was impressed and looked hard to see what church it was. I saw no church sign, but I saw a big sign that said "BINGO." Sad. It appeared that there was more interest in Bingo than evening worship services. By the way, what do you do on Sunday evening? Are you in worship? If now, why not? Is there something that interests you greater?

**"Church" Sayings.** Over the years I have heard many ways men have described what the church is. The most recent explanation I heard was "A church is more like a body ship where 'good as new' repairs take place; it is not like a new car show room." Think about it.

**Consider 1 Samuel 2:35.** 1 Samuel 2:35 reads: "Then I will raise up for Myself a faithful priest who shall do according to what is in My heart and in My mind. I will build him a sure house, and he shall walk before My anointed forever." This verse provides a great definition of "faithful!" The faithful one will do "according to what is in My (God's) heart and in My (God's) mind!" So are you doing what is in God's heart and mind? Are you faithful?

**Marriage Sunday!** Make your plans for February 22! CHARLIE BODDY will be our speaker on MARRIAGE SUNDAY. Charlie is one of our favorite speakers at Eastern Meadows. He has plenty of experience with marriage, preaching, and specifically studying and teaching on marriage. There will be three great lessons on marriage. Be here and invite others.



## ***FROM THE YOUTH/COLLEGE MINISTER:***

Bible Bowl practice will be held at the offices each Sunday at 2pm unless otherwise announced. The written Bible Bowl test will be given on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you cannot take the test on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, it is imperative that you see Tim to schedule an alternative test day (the test must be taken between the 11<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>).

The youth group will be traveling to Rainbow Omega this Saturday, Feb 7<sup>th</sup>. We will depart from the Dalraida building at 7:30 AM and return to the Dalraida building between 4:30 and 5:00 PM.

Next area-wide worship is this Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at Liberty. The sermon will be about "One Faith." The van will leave the parking lot at 4pm and make a stop at the Ann St. Chick-fil-A.

Sally will take the girls to Hope Hull on Feb 21<sup>st</sup> to attend "PURE" at the Liberty Church of Christ. Activities will be from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM and will center on Philippians 4:8. Lunch will be provided. There will be a session for mothers who wish to attend with their girls. Please see Tim (van driver) or Sally if you wish to attend.

## TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

**Last week's question:** The judge Othniel was: C) Caleb's nephew (Judges 3:9)

**This week's question:** Which king(s) reigned in Israel between Saul and Solomon?

A) David only; B) David and Mephibosheth; C) David and Ishbosheth



## REPENT

A young man, a college student, failed all his college courses. He texted his mother: "Failed everything...prepare Dad." A little later his mother texted back, "Your father is prepared...PREPARE YOUR-SELF!"

**"God, now commandeth all men everywhere to repent" (Acts 17:30).**

—Glad Tidings of Good Things (Jacksonville church of Christ)

## It's Not My Fault!

Man is inclined, when he is wrong, to lay the blame on someone else. He is like the small boy who was standing on the cat's tail. The mother, hearing the terrible outburst from the cat, called from the next room, "Tommy, stop pulling that cat's tail!" Tommy yelled back, "I'm not pulling the cat's tail. I'm standing on it. The cat is doing the pulling!"

Is this not what Adam and Eve did in the garden of Eden in Genesis 3:12-13? Adam blamed God for his sin because God gave him that woman, and blamed Eve for giving him the fruit. Eve, in turn, blamed the serpent for their wrong doing.

Many in the church today have the "it's not my fault" mentality. They either make excuse or blame someone else for their own sins or shortcomings. Brethren, it is time to take an honest look at ourselves by the standard of God's word (2 Corinthians 13:5), look at our sins for what they are, confess them, and ask God to forgive us (1 John 1:9). Only then can we truly be fruitful in the Lord's kingdom (John 15:5,7,8; cf. Matthew 5:16; Philippians 1:11).

—Mike Riley

***"Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves..."***

***(2 Corinthians 13:5).***

## 16 Periods of Bible History

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS 2/5/15

Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015 / Leading the congregation in:

**Announcements:**

A.M.: Alan Kaye

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**Opening Prayer:**

A.M.: Tim Bagents

P.M.: Jeff Simpson

**Closing Prayer:**

A.M.: Randy Porterfield

P.M.: Lindsey Mulkey

**Singing:**

A.M.: Dean Norton

P.M.: Alan Kaye

**SICK:** JANET MATHEWS is scheduled for back surgery this Friday at Jacksons. Prayers have been requested for TERESA ANDERSON, former EM member, who is facing surgery and other health issues. DONALD BRIDGES, Nathan Bridges' father, will undergo surgery Friday. Prayers needed for VALERIE ASH, who is in serious condition in ICU at Jackson Hospital. SALLY GOTKIEWICZ is recovering at home following shoulder surgery. IRIS CLEMENTS BOYD, Paul Clements' mother, has been moved to Hillview Terrace. ANNA FUTRAL, Nathan Futral's mother, is recovering from surgery and received a good report. Prayers requested for MARYANN SMITH, husband Ed is a full-time preacher in Luverne and an adjunct Bible teacher at Faulkner, was mauled by two dogs and seriously injured Monday, requiring surgery and hospitalization. Sick at home Sunday: ROGER & HELEN DILL, VI ENGLISH, MARCIA GRAVES, MARGARET GRAVES, and MARSHA SUTTON. *Battling Cancer:* MIKE NORMAN. *Shut-ins:* SYBIL SCOFIELD, TAM LOWERY, INELLA BOWDEN, CATHERINE LEINHEISER, LOURINE BLACK, JACKIE JOHNSTON, and JEWEL BARNES.

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST:** (Health Issues) JENNY JOHNSON, JENNY PATTERSON, IRIS CLEMENTS BOYD, DONALD BRIDGES, TIM MANN, VALARIE ASH, and TERESA ANDERSON. (Battling Cancer) KEVIN PENICK, ANDY ALLEN, GLEN BARRON, BETH HUGGINS, GERMAINE HARDIN, and CINDY BORROUGHS.

**SUNDAY BIBLE LESSON:** 2/8 - *Divided Kingdome*, (1 Ki. 12-2 Ki. 17); 2/15—*Judah Alone*, (2 Ki. 18-24).

**FELLOWSHIP MEALS:** Team 4 (Clements) will host the meal this Sunday following morning services. There will not be a meal Feb. 15 due to the holiday weekend.

**THURSDAY BIBLE CLASS:** 10:30 AM - "The Gospel of Mark" - Steve Housley

**AREA WIDE SINGING:** Panama Street Church of Christ will host the Area Wide Singing this Friday, Feb. 6, 7 PM.

**MEN'S EAT & MEET:** There will be a business meeting for all the men of the congregation this Sunday, Feb. 8, 7:30 AM. BILLY BUSH is in charge of breakfast which will be served at 7.

**SHEPHERD'S TALK:** The Elders will give a current events and news update immediately following the AM worship this Sunday, Feb. 8.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Faulkner University would like to announce the following open position: Director, COE Assessment and Accreditation - College of Education. The complete position announcement can be viewed on our website at <http://www.faulkner.edu/about-faulkner/human-resources/current-openings/>.

**THANK YOU:** To my Eastern Meadows family, I am sorry I'm so late in saying this. Thank you for all the many cards and prayers. Lately, I've needed even more prayers for my spiritual strength and determination in fighting Satan than needed for my health. But thanks very much for the love in your hearts. Love, Floyd Crane

## 2015 BUDGET—\$12,120.00

2/1/15 CONTRIBUTION: \$10,957.00

YTD: - \$1,696.49

## COLLEGE EVENTS

- **College Desserts:** Wednesdays @ 7:30 PM

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **Feb. 8:** Area Wide Youth Devo, PM
- **Feb. 21:** "Pure" @ Liberty, 9:30 AM-1 PM (for pre-teen and older girls and a session for moms) Contact Sally if interested.

## LADYBUGS (Ladies Building Unity in God's Service)

### 2015 Theme: VICTORY

- **QUILTING,** Tuesdays, 1-3 PM
- **Feb. 18:** Lunch at Blue Moon Café, 11:30 AM
- **Feb. 23:** M-N-M, 6:30/7 PM