

# **Eastern Meadows Church of Christ**

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#### **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 & 96.5 FM

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

STATISTICS 7/12/15

Bible Class: 139

AM Worship: 194

PM Worship: 145

EMBF: \$88.00

**WELCOME!** 

# **Tuesday Nights Together**

"Living Faith"

T-N-T continues, with supper at 6:30 and Bible class at 7 pm. Meal sign-up list is posted at the LadyBUGS Desk. Hope to see everyone there!

July 21: Fear No One but God (Hot Dogs & Burgers)

July 28: Seek Spiritual Wealth (Mexican Fiesta)

# **ICYC**

# -Jerry Martin Week-

July 19-24



#### Campers:

Deonta Kelly
Luke Ferrell
Iliya Bridges
A.J. Nichols
Genesis Kelly
Jinny Khantisouriya
Ammaly Khantisouriya

Gracie Johnston
Grace Mount
Kim Wilson
Tim & Sally Gotkiewicz
Steve & Tish Housley
Jerry & Denise Martin
Gwen Mann

#### FROM THE MINISTER:

**Keep Praying.** Sunday John and Deidre Cole asked for prayers from the Eastern Meadows congregation. Keep praying for John and Diedre as they have had some challenging times in their desire and wait for a child. Pray for their patience and understanding. Pray for God's blessings in their life.

**Youth and Camp**. I appreciate Tim Gotkiewicz giving the review of the lessons from AP Camp Week at Indian Creek Youth Camp. You can see that they received a "bucket-load" of good teaching. Though they had fun, they also spent a lot of time in worship and study. I am convinced that Bible Camp for youth is one of the best activities in which that they can involve themselves. I am glad that parents are sending their kiddos. I am glad for the support that Eastern Meadows gives for this activity. And thanks Tim for the Sunday night lesson.

**Next Camp Week**: Eastern Meadows Youth next camp week is Chief Jerry Martin's week at Indian Creek Youth Camp (starts this Sunday!). Indian Creek Youth Camp is located outside of Oakman, Alabama. (George Davidson's home town!) Oakman is 132 miles Northeast of Montgomery (mostly north a little east). Almost all of the drive is on I-65 or 78 (I-22).

**Busy July**. I usually just stay busy here, but this year I was asked to speak on several "Summer Series" at various churches. July 1, I was at the Hoover Church of Christ in Hoover, Alabama. July 8, I was at the Berry's Chapel Church of Christ in Franklin, TN. July 15 I am at the Fort Deposit Church of Christ. July 22, I will be at Indian Creek Youth Camp. July 30 I will be at the North Lowndes Church of Christ. It is a joy to be with these brethren, but I always miss being at Eastern Meadows.

#### TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

Last week's question: What was the name of the bronze serpent (Numbers 21:8,9)? C) Nehushtan, (2Kings 18:4)

**This week's question:** How many times did the Israelites march around Jericho?

∃ A) 13; B) 14; C) 49

#### FROM THE YOUTH/COLLEGE MINISTER:

"And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love." (Ephesians 4:11-16)

Paul sure did pack a lot into a sentence! But think about our prayers when reading this sentence. Do you pray for the church to grow? If so, consider what Paul says is necessary for the growth of the body of Christ—teaching! Re-read Paul's sentence with that thought in mind and I think you will be motivated to study more diligently so that you can teach others; at least I pray that you do.

HELP!!! We need to pull a trailer for our luggage when we go to camp on Sunday. If you can loan

us one for the week, please let me know; thanks!

The Southern Evangelism Conference is July 31st – August 2nd. The theme this year is, "Get out of your cage and ENGAGE." I'd like to get everyone registered before we leave for camp, so make a decision and let me know before July 17th.

## Choosing That Good Part Retreat: Reflections from James

This retreat is for women who are striving to "Choose That Good Part" in their busy lives as Christians, wives, mothers, grandmothers, daughters, sisters, and friends. The first annual retreat will be held September 17-19, 2015, at Indian Creek Youth Camp in Oakman, Alabama, under the oversight of our elders. Registration sheets (on the LadyBUGS' desk) should be turned in to Denise Martin and include a check for \$75, made out to Eastern Meadows Church of Christ, for the cost of the retreat. We need to know how many are attending ASAP so we can make plans for food, etc. Please go ahead and turn in your registration forms even if you cannot pay until later. The deadline for registration is September 1.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS 7/16/15**

July 19, 2015 / Leading the congregation in:

Announcements: Opening Prayer: Closing Prayer: Singing:

A.M.: Roy Mulkey A.M.: Tim Gotkiewicz A.M.: Troy Steelman A.M.: William Dill P.M.: Roy Mulkey P.M.: Brad Knowles P.M.: Billy Bush P.M.: William Dill

SICK: DERRICK SULLIVAN, Sam Sullivan's son, is in Baptist South recovering from surgery. GISELE MORGAN, Arlette Postma's sister, suffered a stroke. ROGER DILL continues in Jackson's long-term care. Sick at home Sunday: MARCIA GRAVES, CHARLOTTE PATTERSON, DOROTHY SULLIVAN, and AARON WARD. Deployed: JON TIMBES, Kuwait. 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) ELMER UTLEY, CHARLES BUSH, DARBY DIXON, and PHYLLIS BLACK-WELL. (Battling Cancer) KEVIN PENICK, GERMAINE HARDIN, KATHY DAVIS, NEAL ROBERTS, ROD HALL, IMOGENE GRACE, GLENDA SMITH, RUSSELL CARNLEY, RYAN AKERS, and WAYNE EDWARDS.

**SYMPATHY:** Our sympathy is extended to Sam Sullivan and family in the passing of his daughter-in-law, ANGELA SULLIVAN, early Sunday morning. Angela was married to Sam's son, Donald.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT:** XANDER REED MEDINA was born to BEN & CHRISTINE MEDINA July 7th. Xander weighed 7 lb. 9 oz. and was 20 in. long. The proud grandparents are WESLEY & WILMA BERRY. The proud great-grandparents are JAMES & JEAN BERRY and MARGARET GRAVES. Congratulations to all!

**BIBLE AWARD:** Congratulations to MOLLIE BETH DILL in receiving the Bible Award at Wiregrass Christian Youth Camp. We are proud of you, Mollie Beth!

**FELLOWSHIP MEALS:** Team 1 (Norman) will host the meal this Sunday, July 19, following the AM worship service. Team 2 (Martin) will host July 26.

JULY 19 NURSERY ATTENDANTS: CECILIA & MIRANDA PORTERFIELD

**CAPITAL PRAYER BREAKFAST:** There will be a Capital Prayer Breakfast Friday-July 17, 2015, 8:30 AM, located in the RSA Tower on the corner of North Lawrence and Monroe Streets, 22nd floor. The costs is \$10.00 per person. Our honoree is to be Mary Singleton of the University church of Christ here in Montgomery. Sister Singleton is known for her many good works and has many friends. Let Jimmy Benson know if you plan to attend as the cook

needs a head count-jcbenson@knology.net.

**YOUNG ADULTS SERVICE DAY:** The Young Adults will travel to Rainbow Omega this Saturday, July 18 for a service day. We will depart from the church building parking lot at 7 AM sharp, caravan to Rainbow Omega, and return no later than 7 PM. Please see Dean Norton for more details.

**LADYBUGS CRAFT PROJECT SUPPLY LIST:** The LadyBUGS craft project for July 19 is a Burlap Wreath. Supplies needed are a 12 inch wire frame; Roll of 5.5 inch X 30 ft. of burlap (or similar to these measurements); Embellishments such as ribbon, flowers, buttons, etc. to decorate the wreath. Extra wreaths will be made and if you can donate time and/or supplies please sign-up on the list posted at the LadyBUGS desk.

**MOUNT DORA CHILDREN'S HOME ANNUAL FOOD & SUPPLY DRIVE:** The truck from Mount Dora will be coming August 17th. Lists of the items most needed are posted at the sound control desk.

#### SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES: 16 Periods of the Bible Cycle 3

#### July 19, Conquest of Canaan, Josh. 1-24

- Joshua in charge
- Rahab
- Israel crosses the Jordan
- Campaigns
- Land divided
- Cities of refuge/Levites
- Eastern tribes go home
- Joshua challenges Israel
- Israel renews covenant

#### July 26, Judges, Part 1, Judg. 1-12

- Joshua dies
- Othniel, Ehud, Shamgar
- Deborah
- Gideon
- Abimelech
- Tola and Jair
- Jephthah

#### YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- July 19-24: ICYC—Jerry Martin Week
- July 31-Aug. 2: SEC

#### 2015 BUDGET-\$12,120.00

7/12/15 CONTRIBUTION: **\$\$11,618.30** BUDGET: **- \$501.70** / YTD: **+ \$3,398.88** 

#### LADYBUGS

(Ladies Building Unity in God's Service)
2015 Theme: VICTORY

- Quilting/Sewing: Tuesday's, 1-3 PM
- July 19: Craft Project, 2 PM
- July 21 & 28: T-N-T, 6:30/7 PM
- Aug. 2: A Time to Pray, 4:15 PM
- Aug. 12: BLD Club Lunch, Newk's, 11:30 AM

### **Closing for the Summer**

Last week I stopped by the local bowling alley. While there, I asked if they were hiring. They told me that due to lowered use in the summer the bowling alley would be closing for some weeks. I am so thankful that the church doesn't have that way of thinking.

Of course there are vacations that will cause attendance to vary. While our numbers may drop a bit, the numbers near vacation spots will rise. Some locations will have meetings were nearly everyone is a visitor. At my last congregation there were denominational visitors that came every Sunday. They asked to be included in our email bulletin listing in order to keep up with the church when they went back home.

Our love of God isn't regulated by the seasons. I am fully confident that our traveling members will seek out the church wherever they are on the first day of the week. Many times this will be a highlight of the vacation. Travel safely and may God bless you