



## Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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November 17, 2016

### ELDERS:

Tim Bagents  
Don Brannan  
Ted Norton

### DEACONS:

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

### MINISTERS:

Tim Gotkiewicz, Youth  
& College  
David Hester, Educa-  
tion & Involvement  
Steve Housley, Pulpit

### 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

### STATISTICS 11/13/16

Bible Class: 150  
AM Worship: 243  
PM Worship: 101  
EMBF: \$145.00

**WELCOME!**

*“In everything  
give thanks:  
for this is the will of God  
in Christ Jesus  
concerning you”  
(1 Thessalonians 5:18).*



*Annual Adult's Christmas Dinner*

*Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016 / 2:00 p.m.*

*Eastern Meadows Fellowship Hall*

*\$10.00 each*

See Sally Gotkiewicz or Wilma Berry to sign-up and pay.

## **FROM THE MINISTER – STEVE HOUSLEY:**

**Great Sunday!** Sunday we had one of the largest crowds in several months. The contribution was over budget. The Congregational Fellowship meal was wonderful with the good food and wonderful opportunity to sit down and visit with Christian brothers. Thanks to Ted and his crew and our Ladies for the very good food and to the Teams and their leaders for the excellent job of set-up and clean up.

**Great News Sunday!** Sunday we introduced MARGARET DAVIS and CARLA ARMSTRONG as the newest Eastern Meadows members. They moved to Montgomery the first of October. They came from Chestnut Drive (Atlanta, GA) congregation having been members there for a little less than a year.



**Margaret Davis & Carla Armstrong**

**Margaret** and her husband Norman raised three children in the Atlanta area. She currently has seven grandchildren from ages 9 to 30. Her oldest son, his wife, and five grandchildren live in Birmingham. Margaret's youngest son and his wife live in the Montgomery area.

**Carla** is Margaret's daughter and is also from the Atlanta area where she raised two children. Her daughter is currently at Samford in Birmingham studying for her DPT. Carla's son lives in Atlanta working in the auto industry. When the decision was made to move to Montgomery, Carla was able to transfer with the company she was employed with and currently works from home.

**Not A Joyous Record.** Though we don't keep statistics about how many EM members have surgery in a given period of time, I believe that we have hit on a six week period where more of our members are having surgery than ever before. That comes after a time when we already had what seemed to be like more surgeries than usual. Pray for our Eastern Meadows sick and those having surgery!

**Christmas Steak Dinner Fellowship.** One of my favorite fellowships. It is good food. It is good fellowship. Please sign up! After 10 years of not being able to have the Christmas Fellowship Dinner in our own building, this one will be in our Fellowship Hall!

## **FROM THE YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTER – TIM GOTKIEWICZ:**

Sunday evening December 11<sup>th</sup> – Area-Wide @ Grandview Pines. The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly series continues with a lesson about Solomon.

We will have SSS (Skill Shaping Sunday) this Sunday afternoon, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Besides Bible Bowl practice, we will work on songs and we will also work on our banner for this year. We will stay, eat, and get to work!

Aaron Ferrell is hosting a special screening of the Tim Burton classic, "The Nightmare Before Christmas" at the fellowship hall from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. All 7<sup>th</sup> grade through college students are invited. Snacks will be provided and other activities are planned.



**The Nightmare Before Christmas**

Next College Devo will be on December 4<sup>th</sup> at the home of Steve and Tish Housley.

## TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

**Last question:** What did David give to every man and woman when he brought the Ark to Jerusalem? Answer: a loaf of bread, a piece of meat, and a cake of raisins (2 Samuel 6:19)

**This week's question:** David and Bathsheba had a son named Solomon. What was Solomon's other name?



## ANNOUNCEMENTS 11/17/16

**Nov. 20, 2016 / Leading the congregation in:**

**Announcements:**

**A.M.:** Steve Sewell

**P.M.:** Steve Sewell

**Opening Prayer:**

**A.M.:** Tim Hatch

**P.M.:** Andrew Long

**Closing Prayer:**

**A.M.:** Tim Gotkiewicz

**P.M.:** Tim Stevens

**Singing:**

**A.M.:** William Dill

**P.M.:** William Dill

**SICK:** MIRANDA PORTERFIELD is recovering from a tonsillectomy. BABARA NORMAN is in Baptist South. ANNE-GENE DAVIS is home after being in the hospital. CINDY DENDY is scheduled for shoulder surgery today, Nov. 17. JAN HILYER will have a heart ablation Nov. 22 in Birmingham. GEORGE DAVIDSON is scheduled for surgery November 29. DAVID WARREN will have shoulder surgery Dec. 1. ELVERNICE DEES is scheduled for surgery Dec. 13. Prayers have been requested for LISA GANT, a cousin of Steve Housley, Charlotte Patterson, and Sara Black, who is in the hospital in serious condition. Prayers have been requested for ELMER UTLEY, Deidre Cole's grandfather, whose cancer has returned. RUTH ROBERTS and JOAN HOSKINSON remain in rehab. Sick at home Sunday: MARIAN SIKES. Continue to remember our members listed on our Sunday-Night-Service Prayer List. Shut-ins: TAM LOWERY, PATSY LOWERY, CATHERINE LEINHEISER, LOURINE BLACK, JACKIE JOHNSTON, JEWEL BARNES, and RED & LANETTE TAYLOR. Battling Cancer: MIKE NORMAN.

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST:** (Health Issues): KAY PEARSON, CHRIS GORDON, BRIAN & ERIN WAITS, MARTHA HOWARD, WILLIAM BUNT, RUTH ROBERTS, JIM RUSSELL, JOAN HOSKINSON, and ELIZABETH ENGLEBERT. (Battling Cancer) RAELEIGH JANE MCCARTHA, GERMAINE HARDIN, IMOGENE GRACE, MARK CHESSOR, WALTER SIEVERS, LINDA STEELE, JAN KELLEHER, MARC MCDANIEL, LISA HANKINS, KYLE PURVICAL, ANUDLA CURD, and DIANE LINDSEY.

**NURSERY ATTENDANTS:** TAMMY EVANS & KELSEY EVANS

**DECEMBER CALENDAR:** All events for the December Calendar must be turned in by this Sunday, Nov. 20, to Wilma Berry.

**NOVEMBER STANDBY TEAM - Team 1 (Porterfield):** The Standby Team is the first responder for the food needs of the congregation (not just their team) in cases of sickness and death.

**NEW ADDRESS:** MARGARET DAVIS, 9049 Saw Tooth Loop, Pike Road, AL, 36064, (678) 984-5409; CARLA ARMSTRONG, 9049 Saw Tooth Loop, Pike Road, AL, 36064, (678) 984-5409.



Great food & fellowship at  
Eastern Meadows'  
Thanksgiving  
Congregational Meal  
last Sunday!



## La dybugs

- ♦ **Dec. 2:** Ornament Swap, 6 PM, @ Jane Sewell's
- ♦ **Dec. 11:** Holiday Gift Bag Items Due
- ♦ **Jan. 8:** LadyBUGS Meeting, 3:30 PM

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **Nov. 20:** SSS, 11 AM until...
- **Dec. 11:** Area Wide Youth Devo, PM

## COLLEGE EVENTS:

- **Dec. 4:** Devo, PM, @ Steve & Tish Housleys

## ELEMENTARY L2L/L

- \* **Sunday's, 4 PM:** Bible Bowl
- \* **Wednesdays, 6:20 PM:** Song Leading
- \* **Bible Class:** Know the Books



**RAINBOW OMEGA POINSETTIAS:** It is time to order Rainbow Omega Poinsettias. Order forms may be picked up at the Front Welcome Desk or Midway Foyer. All orders and payment must be turned in by this Sunday, Nov. 20, to Wilma Berry.

## *Sunday Bible Classes—Nov. 20*

**Auditorium:** *Gospel of John*; **Young Ladies:** *Parables of Jesus*; **Experienced Ladies:** *OT Women, Lesson 35*

## 2016 BUDGET—\$12,930.00

11/13/16—CONTRIBUTION: \$14,496.00  
BUDGET: + \$1,566.00 / YTD: + \$26,313.98

# MY CUP HAS OVERFLOWED

I've never made a fortune, and it's probably too late now.

But don't worry about that much, I'm happy anyhow.

And as I go along life's way, I'm reaping better than I sowed.

I'm drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.

Haven't got a lot of riches, and sometimes the goings tough-

But I've got loving ones all around me, and that makes me rich enough.

I thank God for His blessings, and the mercies He's bestowed.

I'm drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.

I remember times when things went wrong, my faith wore somewhat thin.

But all at once the dark clouds broke, and the sun peeped through again.

So Lord, help me not gripe about the tough rows I've hoed.

I'm drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.

If God gives me strength and courage when the way grows steep and rough,

I'll not ask for other blessings; I'm already blessed enough.

And may I never be too busy to help others bear their loads.

Then I'll keep drinking from my saucer, 'cause my cup has overflowed.

