



# Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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March 31, 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:

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

#### STATISTICS 3/27/16

Bible Class: 127  
AM Worship: 207  
PM Worship: 103  
EMBF: \$121.00

**WELCOME!**

## April 3, 2016

### First Worship In New Building



## Homecoming and Open House

### May 1, 2016

### *Make Your Plans!*

## **FROM THE MINISTER:**

**Sunday Night Rainbow:** Sunday night during services there was a rain shower. When we exited the building, we were treated to one of God's wonders, a beautiful rainbow. Thanks to Tim Gotkiewicz for this picture!



**Lads to Leaders!:** Congratulations to all who participated! It is the participation that builds skills and character! Congratulations to those who brought home an award! You can be happy with the effort of our Eastern Meadows

Youth! By the way, while our Eastern Meadows Youth were at the Atlanta Convention, Jon, Nicole, and Hunter Timbes were at the Memphis Convention where Jon was the Oral Bible Reading and Pearls Coordinator. Jon is also in charge of the Singing after all events on Saturday night in the Convention Center singing.

## **2016 Lads to Leaders Awards**

Year-Round Song Leading - Gold - Banks Sewell; Turner Johnston. Bronze - Norton Sewell, Landon Evans, Tennison Norton

Winner's Circle Song Leading - 10th - 12th Grade Division - First Place - Turner Johnston (This was the first time an Eastern Meadows participant won Winner's Circle!)

Song Leading - 12th Grade Division - Second Place - Banks Sewell

Songs of Praise - 9th Grade Division - Second Place - Mary Vander Sewell

Good Samaritan - Kelsey Evans, Landon Evans, Aaron Ferrell, Luke Ferrell, Miranda Porterfield, Banks Sewell

Know the Books - Gold level Award - Landon Evans, Norton Sewell, Tennison Norton

Keepers - Food Preservation - Kelsey Evans, Gracie Johnston, Ammaly Khantisouryia, Miranda Porterville. Ironing - Miranda Porterfield

Art Says It - Photography - 9th - 10th Grade Division - Second Place - Mary Vander Sewell; 11th 12th Grade Division - Third Place - Ammaly Khantisouryia

Art Says It - 11th - 12th Grade Division - Painting - First Place - Kelsey Evans, Second Place - Kimberly Wilson

Bible Bowl - 11-12 Grade Division Team - Second Place - Banks Sewell, Luke Ferrell, Mollie Beth Dill, Miranda Porterfield

Bible Bowl Written Test - 11th - 12th Grade Division - Top Ten Score - Mollie Beth Dill, Miranda Porterfield

Speech - 12th Grade Division - Second Place - Mollie Beth Dill

## **Bible Classes Update**

**Wednesday Nights:** Thanks to ALAN KAYE for the excellent study on the "Family of God," thirteen lessons about the church. Beginning the first Wednesday in April STEVE HOUSLEY will be teaching a series of lessons on Prayer. PAUL CLEMENTS will be complementing this study each Wednesday evening with a brief look at a prayer you find in the Bible.

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

Our youth have attended the Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes convention for 2016 and are now starting preparations for next year. 70% of the L2L events are non-competitive and many are year-round events, so their work is actually ongoing. Some may wonder why we are involved. Here's why...

Over a quarter of a million participants have obtained leadership training through the L2L program since 1968. While many congregations are losing half or more of their youth, congregations that incorporate L2L events (especially year-round) are reporting youth retention rates of 85% or higher, ten years after graduation. What makes the difference?

The year-round concept (L2L is not a one week-end youth event) and involving youth in regular study into God's Word produce results.

The teens that participated this past year:

Mollie Beth Dill: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Group Scrapbook, Speech.

Kelsey Evans: Art Says It-Painting, Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Good Samaritan, Group Scrapbook, Keepers-Food Preservation.

Landon Evans: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Know the Books, Good Samaritan, Group Scrapbook, Song-Leading, Speech.

Aaron Ferrell: Good Samaritan, Group Scrapbook.

Luke Ferrell: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Art Says It-Sketching, Good Samaritan, Group Scrapbook.

Gracie Johnston: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Songs of Praise, Group Scrapbook, Keepers-Food Preservation.

Turner Johnston: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Group Scrapbook, Winner's Circle Song Leading, Year-Round Song Leading.

Will Johnston: Oral Bible Reading.

Ammaly Khantisouriya: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Art Says It-Photography, Keepers-Food Preservation, Group Scrapbook.

Grace Mount: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Group Scrapbook, Songs of Praise.

Tennison Norton: Bible Bowl, Know the Books, Group Scrapbook, Winner's Circle Song Leading, Year-Round Song Leading.

Miranda Porterfield: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Good Samaritan, Group Scrapbook, Speech, Keepers-Food Preservation, Ironing, Puppets, Debate.

Mary Vander Sewell: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Art Says it-Drawing/sketching, Photography, Good Samaritan, Group Scrapbook, Songs of Praise.

Norton Sewell: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Know the Books, Group Scrapbook, Song Leading, Year-Round Song Leading.





Banks Sewell: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Good Samaritan, Group Scrapbook, Song Leading, Year-Round Song Leading.

Kimberly Wilson: Bible Bowl, Bible Bowl written test, Art Says It-Painting, Group Scrapbook.

Thank you to all the adults who helped this year, especially those who chaperoned at the Atlanta convention: Mark & Tammy Evans, Sally G., Randy & Vickie Johnston, Dean & Sarah Norton, Randy & Cecilia Porterfield, and Jane Sewell.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS 3/31/16

**Apr. 3, 2016 / Leading the congregation in:**

**Announcements:**

**A.M.: Lindsey Mulkey**

**P.M.: Lindsey Mulkey**

**Opening Prayer:**

**A.M.: Tim Bagents**

**P.M.: Tim Stevens**

**Closing Prayer:**

**A.M.: Alan Norton**

**P.M.: Banks Sewell**

**Singing:**

**A.M.: William Dill**

**P.M.: William Dill**

**SICK:** Prayers have been requested for MARK CHESSOR, father-in-law of Dominique Postma Chessor (Arlette Postma's daughter), who was recently diagnosed with leukemia. Mark is a member at Centerville church of Christ in Tennessee. C.A. "RED" TAYLOR, Dianne Hoskinson's father, is scheduled to be released from Health-South this Friday. Sick at home Sunday: BILL and VIRGINIA EVANS, MARCIA GRAVES, MARGARET GRAVES, JIMMY ALLEN, MARIAN SIKES, and DEIDRE COLE (recovering). WILMA BERRY (here Sunday!) and HOLLY THOMAS-SON are recovering from surgery. Continue to remember our members listed on our Sunday-Night-Service Prayer List. Shut-ins: SYBIL SCOFIELD, TAM LOWERY, PATSY LOWERY, CATHERINE LEINHEISER, LOURINE BLACK, JACKIE JOHNSTON, and JEWEL BARNES. Battling Cancer: MIKE NORMAN.

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST:** (Health Issues): QUENTIN CROWE, KAY PEARSON, CINDY ROBINSON, and C.A "RED" TAYLOR. (Battling Cancer) GERMAINE HARDIN, IMOGENE GRACE, TELSIE DAVIS, MARILYN PIERCE, MARC MCDANIEL, MARK CHESSOR, and RAELEIGH JANE MCCARTHA.

**THANK YOU.** Dear Members of Eastern Meadows, All of your cards of encouragement and prayers during Olen's illness will always be remembered. It was such a blessing to us each time we received one. What a blessing also to have the support of our brothers and sisters in Christ during troubled times. Love in Christ, Joyce and Kim (A thank you note received from Joyce Housley and her daughter for the cards sent by Eastern Meadows during her husband's illness, who passed away recently.)

**APR. 3 NURSERY ATTENDANTS:** SARAH NORTON & MIRANDA PORTERFIELD

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** Team 5 (Mathews) will host this Sunday, Apr. 3, following the morning worship service. Team 1 (Porterfield) will host Apr. 10.

**THURSDAY BIBLE CLASS:** Thursday's at 10:30 AM—A Study of Hebrews

**AREA-WIDE SINGING:** The Area-wide Congregational Singing will be held at the Tallassee Church of Christ; 209 Gilmer, Ave; Tallassee, Alabama, Friday Night, April 1 from 7-8:30 p.m.

**HOMECOMING & OPEN HOUSE - MAY 1ST**

**HOUSLEY/BASS WEDDING:** Mr. and Mrs. Steve Housley request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter JEAN ELIZABETH to ADAM SHERRILL BASS son of Mr. and Mrs. Hanley Bass Saturday, the ninth of April two thousand sixteen at two o'clock Eastern Meadows Church of Christ Montgomery, Alabama. RSVP by Apr. 1 at 334-270-8613 or housleybass.rsvpify.com.

**LEADERSHIP EAT & MEET:** There will be business meeting for all the Elders and Deacons next Sunday, Apr. 10, at 7:30 a.m. Breakfast will be served at 7 by ROY MULKEY & RANDY PORTERFIELD.

**PUT FIRST THINGS  
FIRST**

**SHEPHERD'S TALK:** The Elders will give a report on current and upcoming events immediately following the morning worship service next Sunday morning.

**YPYF 2ND SUNDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP:** The YPYF 2nd Sunday Night Fellowship will be next Sunday, Apr. 10, following Evening worship at Zaxby's on Taylor.

**RECONNECT!** Peachtree City Church of Christ (201 South Peachtree Parkway; Peachtree City, GA) invites all MEN to a Men's conference, April 22-23. The cost is \$30 for Adults and \$15 for Students. Speakers are Lonnie Jones and Ben Hayes. For more information, see Ron Hoskinson.

**SPRING PICNIC:** The YPYF Group is hosting a spring picnic on April 30 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Ida Belle Young Park pavilion on Vaughn Road. Bring a picnic lunch for your family, lawn chairs, blankets, and outside equipment (football, frisbee, kites, etc.). The pavilion is reserved for Eastern Meadows, and picnic tables will be available. All ages are welcome to attend.



**FFF ANNUAL YARD SALE:** The Friends For Faulkner Annual Yard Sale will be May 5, 6, & 7 on Faulkner University's campus. Times are 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. on Thursday & Friday and 7 a.m. – 12 noon on Saturday. All monies raised go toward unbudgeted items and student scholarships.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Faulkner University would like to announce the following open position: Instructor of Mathematics - College of Arts and Sciences. This position is being advertised to internal and external candidates. The complete position announcements can be viewed on our website at <http://www.faulkner.edu/about-faulkner/human-resources/current-openings/>.

**CONGRATULATIONS!! A NEW GRANDBABY!** Congratulations to PETE and ELLA HANKINS on the birth of RUBY ANN HANKINS, Tuesday, March 22. Ruby weighed six pounds and eight ounces. She is welcomed into the home of her parents, DANNY and BETH HANKINS and her big sisters, KATE and JULIA. This makes the 13th grandchild for Pete and Ella, along with three great grandchildren.

## LADYBUGS

- ◆ **April 3:** Visitation Assignments
- ◆ **April 3:** Sunday morning pick up your Secret Sister Information Sheet from the Secret Sister desk, fill it out, and turn it in to Barbara Norman.
- ◆ **April 5:** Quilting, 10 AM. Bring your lunch.
- ◆ **April 12:** BLD Club Breakfast, 9 AM, Cracker Barrel
- ◆ **April 12:** Quilting, 1-3 PM
- ◆ **Apr. 17:** Craft Project, 2:30 PM

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **Apr. 10:** Area Wide Devo
- **Apr. 30:** Spring Picnic, 11 AM—1 PM

## NEW KITCHEN GIVING

Goal: \$54,065.00

Received: \$49,701.00

**Needed: \$4,364.00**

## Sunday Bible Classes

April 3

Auditorium Class: *The Role of Women in Worship*

Young Ladies class: *Ephesians Chapter 5*

**2016 BUDGET—\$12,930.00**

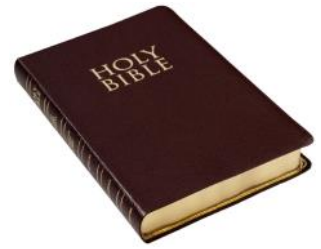
3/27/16 CONTRIBUTION: **\$13,025.00**

BUDGET: **+\$95.00** / YTD: **+\$9,350.99**

## TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

**Last week's question:** Last week's question: True or False: Every time you read the word "wine" in the Bible, it means an alcoholic drink. FALSE

**This week's question:** When did Peter, James, and John fall on their faces in fear? A) When Moses and Elijah appeared to them. B) When Jesus' face shone like the sun. C) When God spoke to them.



## Building Update!

Last week the well was dug, (the well is to water the lawn) and the grease trap for the kitchen was installed. Work continues this week on finishing the kitchen. The fire and security system is being finished this week. The last of the tile is going in. There was a delay in finishing the tile as the tile-layers ran out of tile and more had to be ordered. Painting continues every day. The forms for the sidewalks in the front and side of the building have been built and should soon take shape with concrete! The electricians are installing/repairing the last of the lights in the foyer and auditorium. The carpet was laid in the Teen Room and the base around the VCT tile in the closets and storage rooms. The audio-video equipment is being installed this week! Also, though it may be hard to remember from week to week, most weeks the amount needed for the new kitchen is coming down. We are now at

\$4,364.00 . See Ted Norton to give on the kitchen. Thanks to Shelton Mangum for the aerial photo.



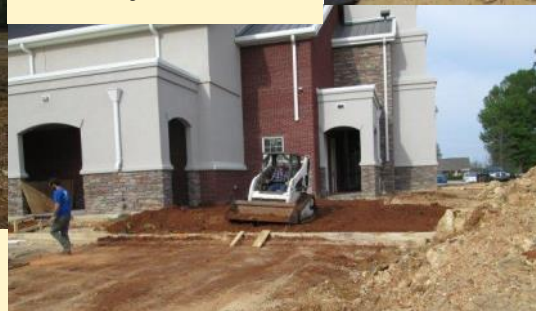
**An Aerial View of Eastern Meadows Property**



**To The Right:**  
A man is walking in the forms for the sidewalks. The white pipes are for the sprinkler system.



**The Well Was Dug Last Week. The Work Continues!**



**To The Left:**  
After several inches of the "bad" dirt was removed "good" dirt is being spread. We are very close to seeing sod go down and seeing the finished look of the new building.