



# Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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June 16, 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  
David Hester, Educa-  
tion & Involvement  
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 6/12/16

Bible Class: 164  
AM Worship: 224  
PM Worship: 137  
EMBF: \$186.00

**WELCOME!**

# VBS

## June 20—23, 2016

## 9:30—11:30 AM

## Ages 4yrs through 6th Grade

# QUEEN ESTHER



## Beauty and the Belief

# HELEN DILL

1933 - 2016



Eastern Meadows extends sympathy to the family of Helen Dill. Helen was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Roger Dill, who passed away in 2015. Helen is survived by her five children, Wendell (Doris) Dill, William (Monica) Dill, Alicia (Brad) Ibarreta, Evie (Allen) Webb, and Nina Joseph, 10 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren. William, Monica, and Mollie Beth are members of Eastern Meadows.

Helen was born in Buchanan, Georgia. She attended Montgomery Bible College where she met Roger Dill. Helen was a faithful Christian and the wife of a Gospel Preacher. This defined her life. As Roger's faithful wife, his preaching the Gospel took him and his family to Geneva, Brewton, Opp, Oneonta, and Montgomery, Alabama; Crestview, FL; Valdosta, GA; and Camden, AR. They had lived in Montgomery, Alabama since about 1999 where Roger preached at the Capitol Heights church before his retirement. Sister Dill was primarily a preacher's wife and homemaker for her husband and five children, having plenty to keep her busy! However, at various times she worked as a church secretary and even taught school at Valdosta Christian School.

Her defining characteristics were her dedication to God and a partner to her husband in his ministry and work. Clearly, she was devoted to her family and had an unconditional love for them. Sister Dill was always pleasant, always with a smile, enjoyed people, and enjoyed laughter. She was very blessed with the care of her five children and lived most of the past two years with her daughter Evie Webb. We will all miss Sister Dill.

## **FROM THE MINISTER:**

**Thank You.** Thank you to each of you who have in some way expressed kindness at the passing of Tish's mom, Imogene. Thank you most of all for your prayers for Imogene and for the Dold family. Thank you for the flowers. Thank you for the flowers. My personal thanks to David Hester for preaching this past Sunday morning. It was a difficult week and knowing David would be preaching made the week easier.

**Thank You To June Summer Sunday Night Participants.** Thank you to Tim Bagents and Josh Cochran for the presentations they made to the men about *Preparing To Lead Public Prayer* and *Preparing To Preside At The Lord's Table*. Thank you to Terry Bagents and Barbara Norman for the presentations to the Ladies on *Helping Others with a Meal* and *Menu and Portion Planning*. This Sunday night the men will hear from Tim Stevens and Don Brannan and the women will hear from Melanie Bagents and Cecilia Porterfield.

**July Summer Sunday Night's Ten Questions.** Please turn in your questions to be considered during July by THIS SUNDAY! The plans are to look at two questions each of the five Sunday nights of July. As with June, in July there will be several men answering the questions.

**Team Meals!** Beginning in July there will be a new schedule for the Team meals, with only two meals each month with two teams eating together at each meal. The team not eating that month will be responsible for coordination of food needs for the congregation that particular month. Please read more about it and note the schedule for the Team Meals.

**FROM THE YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTER:**

1 Timothy 6:18, "Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share." Thanks for the trailer we used during camp week, it was a mighty blessing!

As usual, AP camp week was extremely edifying for our teens. We learned many things about the Church during our morning classes, and we also had nightly lessons from some very good speakers. Thank you for supporting such a fine work!

VBS will be next week! June 20<sup>th</sup> through June 23<sup>rd</sup>. It will be a VERY busy week full of lessons and fun. If you are able to help set-up late Saturday afternoon, contact me for info.



**CAMP ICYC:  
AP WEEK**



# FELLOWSHIP MEALS

We will have Fellowship Meals two Sundays each month with two teams assigned to each meal except for November and December. Each family is asked to bring enough food to feed their family plus 2-3 guests. The team not assigned for a fellowship meal will be *The Standby Team* used for coordination of food needs for the congregation, such as sickness, deaths, etc. Your participation is needed and appreciated! All Eastern Meadows members should receive a letter that better defines the new schedule and teams. If you do not receive your letter by next week call Wilma Berry at 273-0001, ext. 4.



## *Fellowship Meal Schedule for July – December:*

June 5: Congregational Meal, All 5 Teams Standby Team: Team 1	Standby Team: Team 3
July 10: Teams 1 (set-up) & 2 (clean-up)	October 9: Teams 3 (set-up) & 4 (clean-up)
July 24: Teams 3 (set-up) & 4 (clean-up) Standby Team: Team 5	October 23: Teams 5 (set-up) & 1 (clean-up) Standby Team: Team 2
August 14: Teams 5 (set-up) & 1 (clean-up)	November 13 - Congregational – All 5 Teams (Teams 2 & 3 Set-up; Teams 4 & 5 Clean-up; Team 1 Serve Drinks)
August 28: Teams 2 (set-up) & 3 (clean-up) Standby Team: Team 4	Standby Team: Team 1
September 11: Teams 4 (set-up) & 5 (clean-up)	December 10 - Christmas Steak Dinner. Assign Teams As Needed
September 25: Teams 1 (set-up) & 2 (clean-up)	

## ANNOUNCEMENTS 6/16/16

<b>June 19, 2016 / Leading the congregation in:</b>			
<b>Announcements:</b>	<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	<b>Singing:</b>
<b>A.M.: Tim Stevens</b>	<b>A.M.: George Davidson</b>	<b>A.M.: Don Brannan</b>	<b>A.M.: Allen Clements</b>
<b>P.M.: Tim Stevens</b>	<b>P.M.: Tim Gotkiewicz</b>	<b>P.M.: Brooks Housley</b>	<b>P.M.: Allen Clements</b>

**SICK:** JAN HILYER underwent a heart procedure Tuesday. MARSHA SUTTON is recovering at home following surgery. BURT TURNER will have a biopsy done June 22. MARCIA GRAVES is scheduled for back surgery June 30. Prayers have been requested for MICHELLE MITCHELL, friend of William and Teresa Nichols, who has been diagnosed with cancer and will go to UAB next week for consultation. Sick at home Sunday: CARTER GOTKIEWICZ, MARCIA GRAVES, JAN HILYER, ANDREW LONG, JERRY & CHARLOTTE PATTERSON, HUNTER TIMBES, and NICOLE TIMBES. 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, DOROTHY STUBBS, MARY RUTH COMBS, TOM COMBS, KAREN KAEHR, and SEAN LAWTON. (Battling Cancer) GERMAINE HARDIN, IMOGENE GRACE, MARC MCDANIEL, MARK CHESSOR, GLEN BARRON, MARK CHAMBLESS, RICKY MORROW, MICHELLE MITCHELL, and RAELEIGH JANE MCCARTHA.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE:** There will be a Memorial Service in honor of MARILYN PIERCE, Vickie Johnston's mother, on Saturday, June 18, 2 PM, at Eastern Meadows church of Christ Fellowship Hall.

**JUNE 19 NURSERY ATTENDANTS:** LINDA SIMPSON & JUDY CREEL

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** There will not be a Fellowship Meal this Sunday, June 19, or Sunday, June 26.

**SUMMER SUNDAY NIGHTS!** June Summer Sunday Nights theme is "Improving Your Serve."



July Sunday Nights theme is *Ten Questions*. Turn in your question to Steve Housley or put in Sunday Night Service Box BY THIS SUNDAY.

**BIBLE AWARD:** MOLLIE BETH DILL recently received the Bible Award at Camp Wiregrass. This award is the top honor given to campers who demonstrate superior Bible knowledge at the end of each camp week. Congratulations, Mollie Beth! Mollie Beth attended this week as a counselor along with her dad, William Dill.

**CAMPER OF THE WEEK:** Congratulations to TURNER JOHNSTON who was awarded Camper of the Week at ICYC: AP Week.

**VBS:** Dalraida Church of Christ VBS will be June 19–22 with the theme, “SOUL WARS: The Force of GOD.” Sunday, 5–6:30 PM, and Monday–Wednesday, 6:30–8 PM. Classes for all ages.

**SEVEN B SOUTHEASTERN SOUL SAVING SEMINAR:** Adamsville Church of Christ (Adamsville, AL) 7B Seminar will be June 24–26 with speakers Philip Hines, Cliff Goodwin, Eric Lyons, and Alan Highers. For more information call (205) 674-5659 or email: [acofc@adamsvillechurch.org](mailto:acofc@adamsvillechurch.org), web: [www.acoc.org](http://www.acoc.org).

**FAULKNER ALUMNI REUNION:** Faulkner University will host the Alumni Summer Reunion June 24-25 on the Montgomery campus. All who attended ACC & Faulkner University during the 1970s, 1980s & 1990s are invited to attend. This includes faculty & staff. To see the schedule of events & to register, go to [www.faulkner.edu/comeback](http://www.faulkner.edu/comeback) or you can email [rbradford@faulkner.edu](mailto:rbradford@faulkner.edu) for more information.

**JULY CALENDAR:** All events for the July Calendar must be turned in by Sunday, July 26, to Wilma Berry.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Faulkner University would like to announce the following open position: Director, Evening and Weekend Programs - Main/Montgomery Campus. 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/>.

**MUSEUM TRIP:** A group from our Children’s Classes (ages 4 yrs.–6th grade) will be going to the Biblical History Museum in LaGrange, GA on June 30. Departure will be 7 AM and return at 3:30 PM. Cost is \$15 per child and \$5 per chaperone. See Tish Housley for more information.

## LADYBUGS

- ♦ **June 16:** BLD Club Dinner, 6 PM, Cuco’s on Chantilly Pkwy.
- ♦ **June 26:** Secret LadyBUGS Reveal Dinner, 6 PM. After the PM worship service, the Secret LadyBUGS will meet for a Casserole Dinner to reveal our secret sisters. Please bring your \$15 (or less) revealing gift for the person you have been showering with attention, and be sure to put who it is from. Sign-up in the LadyBUGS Room for dinner items. If you are unable to attend, please leave your gift with Barbara Norman.
- ♦ **June 28:** T-N-T, 6:30/7 PM; Lesson 6, Kristy Hatch; “Salads for Supper”; Meal sign-up list in LadyBUGS Room

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **June 20–23:** VBS

### *Sunday Bible Classes—June 19*

Auditorium: *Revelation—David Hester*

Young Ladies: *Parables of Jesus*

Experienced Ladies: *OT Women of the Bible, Lesson 12*

### 2016 BUDGET—\$12,930.00

6/12/16 CONTRIBUTION: \$25,0008.00

BUDGET: + \$12,078.00

YTD: + \$32,265.56



⇒ June Theme: *“Improving Your Serve.”*

⇒ July Theme: *“Ten Questions.”*

⇒ August Theme: *“Come Let Us All Unite to Sing.”*

## TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

**Last question:** "Satan" is transliterated from the word "Satanas," which means "adversary." "Devil" is translated from the word "diabolos," which means \_\_\_\_\_ . C) slanderer

**This week's question:** How many people were hanged on the gallows in the book of Esther? A) 1; B) 11; C) 13



**HESTER / PRESTON DEBATE:** David Hester will debate Don Preston on the AD 70 doctrine, July 14–15, 2016, in Ardmore, OK. Please keep David in your prayers.

## “Father, forgive them...”

God the Father chose to provide four accounts of the life and death of His beloved Son. Mark records the time of the Lord’s crucifixion. “And it was the third hour, and they crucified him” (Mark 15:25). In our manner of time keeping that was 9:00 in the morning, on Friday. Luke provides the fact that from noon till 3:00 p.m. there was darkness over the land (Luke 23:44). During these six hours upon the cross, *seven sayings Jesus spoke* are recorded. Consider the first.

“Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do” (Luke 23:34). Several points can be observed from this.

(1) Jesus practiced what He preached. He taught His disciples to “...pray for them that despitefully use you” (Luke 6:28). See also Matthew 5:43-48. Stephen admirably followed the Lord’s example (Acts 7:60). How do you and I treat our enemies?

(2) His murderers were still guilty of sin, even though they did it in ignorance. Jesus prayed, “Father, forgive them,” and yet, where there is no sin, there is no need of forgiveness. He also said, “They know not what they do,” indicating their ignorance. “The times of ignorance therefore God overlooked; but now he commandeth men that they should all everywhere repent” (Acts 17:30). Don’t expect ignorance to be your ticket into heaven. No such ticket exists (Luke 12:48).

(3) **How** was His prayer answered? After His resurrection and Ascension, the apostles preached His message to the Jews. “Ye men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus... ye by the hand of lawless men did crucify and slay” (Acts 2:22-23). Even though Jesus had prayed for their forgiveness, these Jews were still guilty of killing the Christ. His prayer would be answered. Later in his sermon Peter said, “God hath made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom ye crucified” (Acts 2:36). Many accepted their responsibility for this murder, and called out with the question, “What shall we do?” (Acts 2:37). “And Peter said unto them, Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins” (Acts 2:38). Forgiveness of sins was made available to them, and about 3,000 chose to receive it (Acts 2:41). Please note the role *repentance* plays in forgiveness of God toward man. Even between man and man, Jesus said, “If thy brother sin, rebuke him; and **if he repent, forgive him**” (Luke 17:3; cf., Acts 17:30).

--George Jensen, *Gospel Gazette Online*