



## Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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August 4, 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 7/31/16

Bible Class: 142  
AM Worship: 184  
PM Worship: 118  
EMBF: \$2,769.00

**WELCOME!**



### August Theme:

*“Come, Let Us All  
Unite to Sing”*

Come, let us all unite to sing, God is love;  
Let heav'n and earth their praises bring; God is love;  
Let ev'ry soul from sin awake,  
Each in his heart sweet music make,  
And sing with us, for Jesus' sake, For God is love.  
God is love! God is love!  
Come, let us all unite to sing, That God is love.

Oh, tell to earth' remotest bound, God is love;  
In Christ we have redemption found, God is love;  
His blood has washed our sins away,  
His Spirit turned our night to day,  
And now we can rejoice to say, That God is love.  
God is love! God is love!  
Come, let us all unite to sing, That God is love.

How happy is our portion here, God is love;  
His promises our spirits cheer, God is love;  
He is our sun and shield by day,  
Our help, our hope, our strength, and stay,  
He will be with us all the way, our God is love.  
God is love! God is love!  
Come, let us all unite to sing, That God is love.

Edmund Lorenz, 1886

# THANK YOU!

## BENEVOLENCE SUNDAY, JULY 31 – \$2,769.00

The elders would like to thank the Eastern Meadows congregation for your liberal response to our request for Benevolence Fund donations. The amount contributed on July 31 was \$2769. This will be used to help support benevolent organizations such as Childhaven, Rainbow Omega, Mount Dora Christian Home and Bible School and local benevolent requests both from within the congregation and from individuals outside of Eastern Meadows. Remember the words of Jesus, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even the least, ye did it unto me" (Matthew 25:40).

Don Brannan, for the Elders

### *FROM THE MINISTER:*

**Welcome to Eastern Meadows!** Sunday morning we introduced Lamon and Elvernice Dees and their two boys, Lloyd and Lawrence. Lamon was reared in Choctow County Alabama and came to Montgomery to attend Alabama State University and then stayed in Montgomery. Elvernice was a military brat raised mostly abroad but graduated from High School in Montgomery. Elvernice is a graduate of Alabama State and AUM. Elvernice is a Special Education Facilitator for the Montgomery Schools at Georgia Washington Middle School. Lamon is a Special Education teacher at Floyd Elementary School. They have 6 year old twin sons and the boys attend Macmillan International Academy, one of Montgomery's Magnet Schools. The Dees family loves to travel. We look forward to getting to know the Dees better!



**Great Week At Camp.** Eastern Meadows had a great week at camp. We had several campers and staff to attend. Jerry Martin does his usual good job of directing this week. At camp he is known as "Chief." (Some call Tim Gotkiewicz "Master Chief" but at camp "Chief" outranks "Master Chief"). During the week GRACE MOUNT responded for prayer. Also BEN JACKSON, who many of the youth at Eastern Meadows know, was baptized. The down side of the week was that Barbara Norman went home sick, and continued to be sick – and still is sick. Tim's cabin won the skit/talent night on Wednesday night. A great week was had by all.

## **August Summer Sunday Nights, "Singing!!"**

I asked you to turn in songs and at least 23 of you turned in 48 songs. Of the 48 songs, most were traditional hymns that we have sung for years. Out of the 48 we knew 34 of the songs (knew: the song has been sung at least a couple of times at Eastern Meadows), some of these being more contemporary songs, but most were older songs. There were about 11 songs of the 48 that we did not

know (not know: had not been sung at Eastern Meadows, but some in the church might know the song). There were at least 5 songs that are not in Paperless Hymnal, meaning that, unless we can find the songs in PowerPoint, we cannot sing those songs. Of these 48 songs turned in, only 2 songs were requested by 2 people each, otherwise, only 1 person requested the remaining 46 songs. Now I have the task of working these songs into four Sunday Nights and this will be a challenge. Thank you for your help by turning in these songs. Thank you in advance to our Song Leaders for cooperating during these Sunday Nights in August!

### August's Summer Sunday Nights: "Come, Let Us All Unite To Sing"

#### Songs You Requested That Will Be Sung Sunday Night:

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah	Flee As a Bird
Here I Am To Worship	There is a Habitation
Sweet Hour of Prayer	None Of Self
When All of God's Singers Get Home	All of Thee
Unity Song (Alan Kaye's Song)	Down In The Valley (Are You Dwelling In The Sunlight)
Beneath the Cross	

*Thank you for your participation!*

#### FROM THE YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTER:

Thank you for your prayers as we traveled to camp last Sunday. We had a safe trip and a wonderful experience at Indian Creek Youth Camp!

Popcorn and a Movie - EMYG and College 7 p.m., Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at the Eastern Meadows Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> is the kick-off of the Central Alabama Area-wide 2016-2017 series. Dalraida Church of Christ will host. Worship will be at 5 p.m. and will be followed by a fellowship meal.

The theme this year is: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly. All throughout the Bible we find characters who faced challenges on whether to follow God or not. We as Christians face similar challenges in our life today. For the 2016-17 Area Wides, we will be looking at life lessons from these Old and New Testament characters and how we can learn from their decisions. The August lesson is on Jonah. Eastern Meadows will host on April the 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

**Last week's question:** What did many people do after Mordecai made the decree that let the Jews protect themselves? B) Became Jews

**This week's question:** Conscience is a thermometer, not a \_\_\_\_\_.

A) temperature; B) thermocouple; C) thermostat





# Indian Creek Youth Camp - Jerry Martin Week -



# ANNOUNCEMENTS 8/4/16

August 7, 2016 / Leading the congregation in:

**Announcements:**

A.M.: Billy Bush

P.M.: Billy Bush

**Opening Prayer:**

A.M.: George Davidson

P.M.: Brooks Housley

**Closing Prayer:**

A.M.: James Berry

P.M.: Tim Hatch

**Singing:**

A.M.: Alan Kaye

P.M.: Alan Kaye

**SICK:** VIOLET ENGLISH is in Baptist East Medical Center. ANN EVANS underwent surgery on her hip last week. FRANCES NELSON is in Capitol Hill Rehab room 134 as she recovers from a broken foot suffered in a fall. BARBARA NORMAN is sick at home. DIXIE BRANNAN, MARCIA GRAVES, and MARSHA SUTTON continue to recover from surgery. Prayers have been requested for TERESA ANDERSON, a former EM member, who is scheduled for sinus surgery Friday, August 5, and has been diagnosed with some heart problems. Prayers have been requested for JAN KELLEHER, friend of Tish Housley, who is battling cancer. Sick at home Sunday: SUSAN BROOKS, AARON FERRELL, MARGARET GRAVES, JAN HILYER, JERRY PATTERSON, DOROTHY SULLIVAN, and OPAL SULLIVAN. 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, JEWEL BARNES, RED & LANETTE TAYLOR. Battling Cancer: MIKE NORMAN.

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST:** (Health Issues): DOROTHY STUBBS, JAMI GOLDEN, KYLE & CAROLE THOMASSON, FRED SMITH, BEN MEDINA (Sr.), and LENDA JOHNSON. (Battling Cancer) GERMAINE HARDIN, DEREK MAY, IMOGENE GRACE, MARK CHESSOR, GLEN BARRON, MICHELLE MITCHELL, WALTER SIEVERS, LINDA STEELE, and RAELEIGH JANE MCCARTHA.



**ROUND STICKERS:** Please **DO NOT** remove the little round stickers posted at several locations in the building.

**AREA WIDE SINGING:** Prattville Church of Christ will host the Area Wide Singing this Friday, August 5, 7-8:30 PM. Refreshments will be served following dismissal.

**AUGUST 7 NURSERY ATTENDANT:** VICKIE JOHNSTON & GRACIE JOHNSTON

**LEADERSHIP EAT & MEET:** There will be a Leadership Business Meeting for all the Elders and Deacons Sunday, August 14. Breakfast will be prepared by Billy Bush and Tim Gotkiewicz and served at 7 a.m. Meeting will be at 7:30.

**YOUNG PROFESSIONALS & YOUNG FAMILIES 2ND SUNDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP:** The YPYF 2nd Sunday Night Fellowship will be August 14, following the PM worship service, at Taziki's.

**POLISHING THE PULPIT:** PTP will be August 19-25 in Sevierville, TN.

**MOUNT DORA CHILDREN'S HOME FOOD & SUPPLY DRIVE:** Place items in the box in the midway foyer by Sept. 11th. Please give money and/or gift cards for Mount Dora to Wilma Berry. A list of items and supplies needed are posted in the midway foyer.

**TODDLER—6TH GRADE CLASSES:** Parents, please send items with your child/ren to class for the Mount Dora Children's Home Food and Supply Drive.

**"EXPLORATIONS IN ANTIQUITY CENTER" TRIP - An Interactive Museum of Bible Times:** A trip has been planned to visit the Explorations In Antiquity Center in LaGrange, GA, on Saturday, August 20. There will be a 15-dish meal served at 12 noon, that will feature the recipes and customs of the first century in a room decorated as in the Roman period. After the meal, the group will tour the center's collection of artifacts. Cost is \$35 for adults and \$22 for children. Reservations must be made by August 13th and payments are due by August 17th. A sign-up list will be posted in the middle foyer and new front welcome center. Learn more about EIAC at [www.explorationsinantiquity.com](http://www.explorationsinantiquity.com). See Barbara Norman to make payments. Directions and departure times will be provided to those who sign-up.

**"CHOOSING THAT GOOD PART" LADIES' FALL RETREAT:** The retreat is scheduled for Oct. 13—15 at Indian Creek

Youth Camp in Oakman, AL. The book of Ephesians will be studied this year. Registration is now open. If you have any questions, contact Denise Martin at [kaydenisemartin@yahoo.com](mailto:kaydenisemartin@yahoo.com) or Tish Housley at [tishhousley@gmail.com](mailto:tishhousley@gmail.com).

**POSITION OPEN:** Due to retirement, Childhaven is seeking applicants for a full-time social worker. Applications are available for download at [www.childhaven.com](http://www.childhaven.com). Position available November 1, 2016. Please submit application and resume to Dr. Jim Wright, Executive Director at [j.wright@childhaven.com](mailto:j.wright@childhaven.com), or by mail at Childhaven, P.O. Box, Cullman, AL, 35056.

## FELLOWSHIP MEAL SCHEDULE:



**August 14:** Teams 5 (Mathews) & 1 (Porterfield). Both teams are to bring food, drinks, bread, and desserts. Team 5 is responsible for set-up and Team 1 is responsible for clean-up.

**August 28:** Teams 2 (Bush) & 3 (Gotkiewicz). Both teams are to bring food, drinks, bread, and desserts. Team 2 is responsible for set-up and Team 3 is responsible for clean-up.

**Team 4 (Simpson) - August Standby Team:** The Standby Team is the first responder for the food needs of the congregation (not just their team!) in cases of sickness and death.

## LADYBUGS

- ♦ **Aug. 7:** Visitation Assignments
- ♦ **Aug. 16:** Quilting, 1-3 PM
- ♦ **Aug. 18:** B-L-D Club Lunch, 11:30 AM, Firebirds
- ♦ **Aug. 22:** M-N-M, 6:30/7 PM

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **Aug. 12:** Movie Night at Tim & Sally's

### *Sunday Bible Classes—August 7*

Auditorium: *Revelation—David Hester*

Young Ladies: *Parables of Jesus*

Experienced Ladies: *OT Women, Lesson 20*

**2016 BUDGET—\$12,930.00**

7/31/16 CONTRIBUTION: **\$13,236.00**

BUDGET: **+ \$306.00**

YTD: **+ \$30,449.92**

**Avg. Contribution YTD—31 Weeks:  
\$13,930.65**

YOU ALWAYS HAVE  
**time**  
FOR THE THINGS  
YOU PUT  
**first**