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June 15, 2017

ELDERS:

Tim Bagents
Paul Clements
Alan Kaye
Roy Mulkey
Mike Norman
Ted Norton

DEACONS:

Billy Bush
Allen Clements
Lamon Dees
Ryan Gotkiewicz
Tim Gotkiewicz
Tim Hatch
Steve Housley
Wayne Johnston
Andrew Long
Jimmy Mathews
Danny Moore
Dean Norton
Randy Porterfield
Steve Sewell
Jeff Simpson

MINISTERS:

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

SCHEDULE:

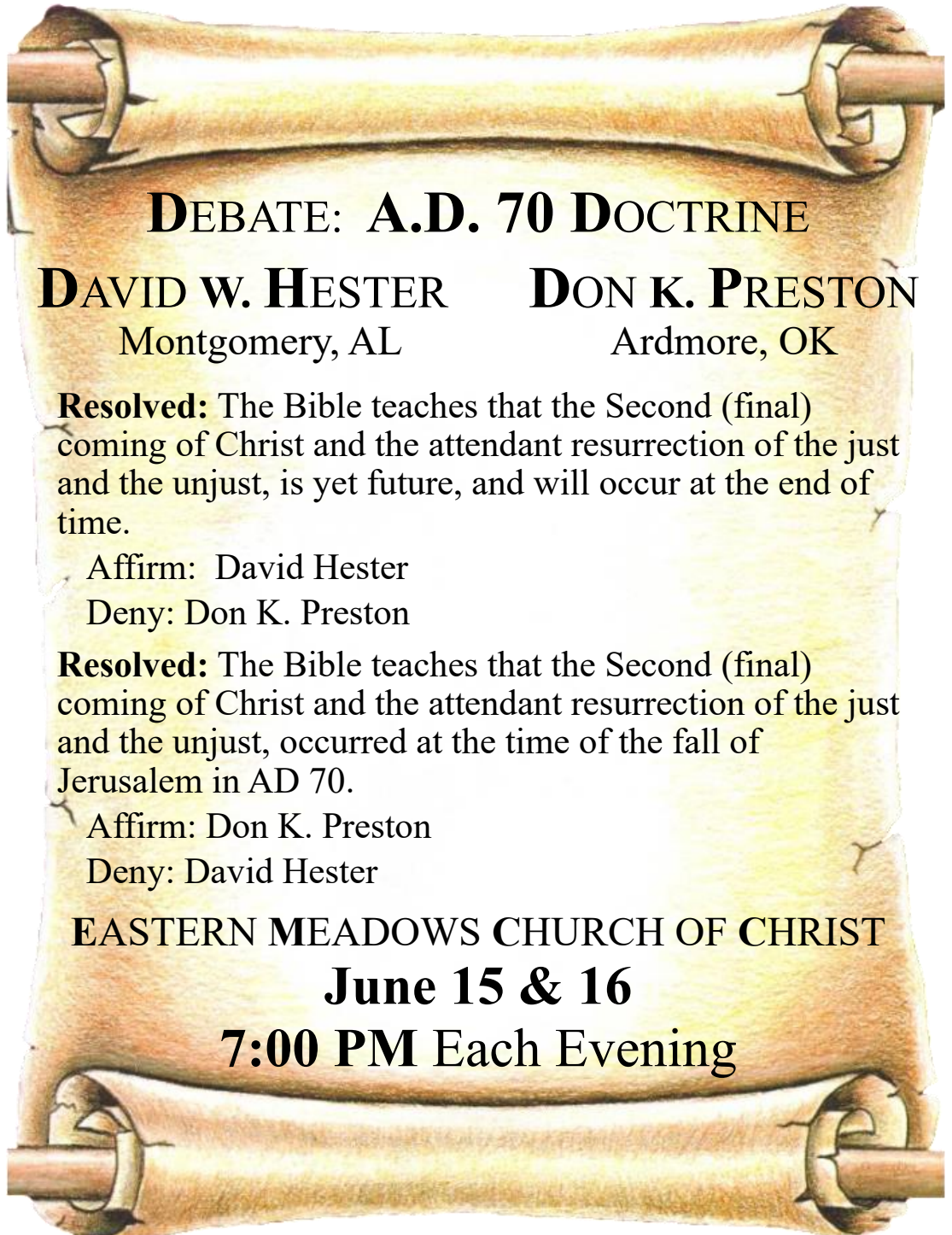
Sunday:

9:00 a.m. Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Worship
5:00 p.m. Worship

Wednesday:

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

WELCOME!



DEBATE: A.D. 70 DOCTRINE

DAVID W. HESTER

Montgomery, AL

DON K. PRESTON

Ardmore, OK

Resolved: The Bible teaches that the Second (final) coming of Christ and the attendant resurrection of the just and the unjust, is yet future, and will occur at the end of time.

Affirm: David Hester

Deny: Don K. Preston

Resolved: The Bible teaches that the Second (final) coming of Christ and the attendant resurrection of the just and the unjust, occurred at the time of the fall of Jerusalem in AD 70.

Affirm: Don K. Preston

Deny: David Hester

EASTERN MEADOWS CHURCH OF CHRIST

June 15 & 16

7:00 PM Each Evening

FROM THE MINISTER – STEVE HOUSLEY:

Thursday and Friday! That is Thursday and Friday of this week! These are the two days of the debate between David Hester and Don Preston on the A.D. 70 Doctrine. Pray for David, and encourage him by your presence.

Vacation Bible School. Next week. Be praying for all the participants, from the children to the teachers and helpers. And invite others! And bring them if you can!

Bible Classes! If you are not in Sunday Morning and Wednesday Evening Bible classes, this is a great time to begin. We had a great class last Wednesday night as the class “Following the Example of Jesus” began with Paul Clements teaching. The Young Adult class began also began a new study, “The Prison Epistles.” Additionally, a new class began on Sunday, “Introduction to Christianity.”

Away! Each Sunday we have a different group who is out, many vacationing. Remember, always be in Sunday worship, no matter where you find yourself! Second, leave your contribution at Eastern Meadows. After all, the work at Eastern Meadows continues on. If I don’t remember to leave my contribution, when I am away, I give it when I return.

What Will You Do For Your Children?

My wife, Tish, went to the movies with some friends and saw *Hidden Figures*. She really enjoyed the movie and wanted me to see it. After several months she said, “Get Hidden Figures, I want you to see it.” So, as an obedient husband, I reserved *Hidden Figures* from Red Box, and last Friday night we watched it. It was a good story with good acting, and to make it even better, it was based on a true story. The story is about Katherine G. Johnson who was a “human computer” for NACA and later NASA. She performed the calculations that sent astronauts into orbit in the early 1960s and to the moon in 1969. This was before computers; when every calculation was done by the human mind and hand. Her story was remarkable, but even more so because she was an African-American and this was a time of Jim Crow laws, a time when the color of the skin limited opportunities and even basic human rights.

Now anytime I see a movie based on a true story, I wonder, just how accurate was it? Sometimes you can do a Google search and learn of the “truth” and “fiction” of a movie based on a true story. I did this for *Hidden Figures*. In looking at this I found out one of the things I was most intrigued by was absolutely true. You see, while the movie is about Katherine Johnson, there would have been no story without Katherine’s father, Joshua Coleman. Joshua Coleman had a great mind himself, and could have had likely had similar success as his daughter, had he been allowed an education and opportunities. Joshua Coleman, however, knew the value of an education and was determined that his children receive a good and complete education. When Katherine and her siblings were growing up, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia did not allow African Americans to pursue an education beyond the eighth grade, which she had completed by the age of 10. Not to be deterred, Joshua Coleman uprooted his family and moved 120 miles to Institute, West Virginia where she could enroll in high school, which she completed by the age of 14. After High School she enrolled in West Virginia State College and graduated summa cum laude with degrees in Mathematics and French when she was 18 years old. It was this education that qualified Katherine Johnson to be hired as a human “computer” in 1952 by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), the predecessor to NASA. Her father! *Had her father not realized the need for an education, instilled the need for an education in the minds and hearts of his children, and made the necessary sacrifices so that his children could receive not only a high school but a college education, there would have been no movie about Katherine Johnson.* By the way, you can listen to an interview of Katherine Johnson at <https://youtu.be/r8glqKyIGhE>.

So why tell this story? As I thought about Joshua Coleman’s devotion to his children’s education, I wondered, “How many parents have the same passion for the *spiritual* education for their children as Joshua Coleman had for a basic education for his children?” Do our children really believe knowing the word of God is important? Is it something they know their parents are willing to make sacrifices for in order

for them to attain? Is the spiritual education a priority, more important than any other subject, including math? Is learning about Genesis to Revelation more important than baseball or softball? Is learning about Jesus more important than vacations? Is learning about salvation and the Lord's church more important than social activities?

Mom and Dad, NEVER underestimate the influence you have on your children. While there will be many influences in your children's lives, your influence is the greatest. They will take the lead from you for many things in their life. Very often, what is most important to you becomes important to them. So, just how important is God, His word, and His church to you? How do you demonstrate the importance of spiritual matters to them; or how are you failing to demonstrate the importance to them? Challenging questions? Yes, but please ask yourself these questions now, while your children are at home and under your influence; rather than asking the question later, "What happened to my child/ren?"

What will you do for your children?

-Steve Housley

FROM THE YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTER – TIM GOTKIEWICZ:

Next Wednesday, June 21st, is an Area-wide class and devotional on Faulkner's campus, Harris Building, Room 109. The van will depart at 6 p.m.. Return time to be determined. Make plans to attend.

VBS is scheduled for June 19th – 22nd (NEXT WEEK!); There is much to do both preparing for VBS and teaching the kids. If you want to help, but haven't yet expressed that desire, please let myself or Becky Norton know.

If you plan to attend ICYC during Jerry Martin's week, July 23 – 28, let me know. I am in the process of registering the youth group and can help you if you are not in the youth group but want to go.



TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

Last question: My husband Felix and I listened to Paul, when he was on trial, talk about Jesus. Drusilla (Acts 24:24)

This week's question: According to 1 Corinthians 1:2, the church of God at Corinth was:
A. Sanctified in Christ Jesus; B. Loving and compassionate; C. Not obeying God's will



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MONDAY - THURSDAY JUNE 19 - 22

**FINDING
FAITH**

AN UNDERWATER ADVENTURE TO FINDING YOUR WAY HOME

Bring a Friend!

9:30 - 11:30 AM
Ages 4 Years – 6th Grade

ANNOUNCEMENTS 6/15/17

SICK: GEORGE DAVIDSON is home after a stay in the hospital. MACKIE BODDY is scheduled for cataract surgery today, June 15. JOY DAVIS and SUSAN BROOKS continue to recover from surgery. FRED SMITH, Veotha Smith's husband, continues in rehab in Birmingham. Prayers have been requested for JIM RHEINHARDT, Dawn Chandler's step-father, who is in Baptist South with an intestinal blockage. Prayers have been requested for MARTIN LYKINS, former member Ginger Howell's son-in-law, from Tennessee, who is in a Tennessee hospital with a torn carotid artery and suffered three strokes. JERRY WARD, Aaron Ward's grandfather, is recovering from surgeries on his feet due to the injuries suffered in an auto accident several weeks ago. Prayers have been requested for MILO WAITS, infant son of Brian & Erin Waits, friends of Mike & Barbara Norman, who underwent open-heart surgery Wednesday, June 14. Sick at home Sunday: JIMMY ALLEN, BETH BASS, MARCIA GRAVES, MARGARET GRAVES, ALICE HANDLANG, DOROTHY SULLIVAN, OPAL SULLIVAN, MARSHA SUTTON, and BURT TURNER. Continue to remember our members listed on our Sunday-Night-Service Prayer List. Shut-ins: CATHERINE LEINHEISER, JEWEL BARNES, and RED & LANETTE TAYLOR. Battling Cancer: MIKE NORMAN and HOLLY THOMASSON.

SYMPATHY: Our sympathy is extended to Elvernice Dees and family in the passing of her cousin, KEISHA MURRAY. The funeral was Saturday, June 10.

SYMPATHY: Our sympathy is extended to Mike Norman and Linda Simpson and family in the passing of their cousin, GENE NORMAN, Monday, June 12. Arrangements are being made.

PRAYER REQUEST LIST: (Health Issues): ELIZABETH ENGLEBERT, JEAN WILSON, JACKIE BARBAREE, DONNA KLINE, DONNY ANGLIN, FRED SMITH, JENNY PATTERSON, NORBERT SCHAEFER, JERRY WARD, SR., SYBIL DAVIS, EMILY ROBERTS, WALT CLARK, JIM REINHARDT, and MARTIN LYKINS. (Battling Cancer) RAELEIGH JANE MCCARTHA, GERMAINE HARDIN, IMOGENE GRACE, JAN KELLEHER, ANDULA CURD, ALAN BROWN, SHERRY WADSWORTH, RANDY POST, A.J. CARPENTER, LARRY KIMBREL, and WAYNE EDWARDS.

PRAYER LIST UPDATE: BLAKE BATCHELOR'S open heart surgery went well and is recovering nicely. Your prayers and cards were appreciated.

THANK YOU: Dear Eastern Meadows, Thank you all so much for all the prayers, cards, food, and calls during my surgery. I'm very blessed to be part of such a caring church family for so many years. Please continue to pray for me during my extended recovery time. I look forward to being back with y'all! Much love, Joy Davis

THANK YOU: My Eastern Meadows Family, Saying thanks is not enough to express how thankful I am for your prayers, cards, and calls during my surgery and recovery. I love you all, Roy Mulkey

THANK YOU: Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Thank you for the many cards, prayers, and expressions of concern during my surgery and recovery and during my mother's illness and death. I especially want to thank the ladies for the quilt, and Steve and Tish for baby-sitting Bonnie's plants during our trip to Kentucky for my mother's funeral. Please keep me in your prayers as I continue to have problems with my arm and shoulder. Sincerely, David H. Warren (Matthew 10:42; 25:40; 1 Corinthians 12:26)

MEMBERS IN THE MIDDLE: The M-I-M Group has planned a fellowship and concert for Friday, June 23, 6:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. The band F-150, which includes our own ALAN KAYE and JIMMY MATHEWS, will be performing. *Everyone is invited to participate*, not just the M-I-M group. A foods sign-up list is posted at the front welcome center. See Barbara Norman or Terry Bagents for more information.

SOUTHEASTERN SOUL SAVING SEMINAR: The Adamsville Church of Christ in Adamsville, AL, will host the 6th Annual Southeastern Soul Saving Seminar June 23-25. Speakers are Mel Futrell, Larry Acuff, and Tommy Books. For more information, call (205) 674-5659 or email: acofc@adamsvillechurch.org.

MONDAY-NIGHT-MOTIVATION: The June M-N-M is on Monday, June 26, with the meal at 6:30 PM and Bible Study at 7 PM.

VBS: Dalraida Church of Christ will have VBS on Saturday, June 24, 9:00 AM—12:15 PM, for ages Pre-K—6th Grade. The theme is, "Power Rangers of God." Parents are invited to a free cook-out at 12:30 PM. Register at dalraida.org/vbs.

GOSPEL MEETING: There will be a Gospel Meeting at Redland Road Church of Christ June 25-28, with Denny Petrillo (President of the Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver) speaking. Sunday times are 9 & 10 AM and 5 PM. Monday-Wednesday services at 7 PM.

NEEDS TO RENT A ROOM: Former member, Ross Schlitt, will be moving back to Montgomery, with his wife to be closer to their grandchildren. Due to his present lease in Tennessee, he needs to simply rent a room from June 12th or July 1st (depending on when his job here starts) through October 15th. His contact information is Ross Schlitt, 334-549-6793; ross.schlitt@gmail.com.

JULY CALENDAR: All events for the July Calendar must be turned in by Sunday, June 25, to Wilma Berry.

JUNE STANDY TEAM—5 (Milam/Kelley)

ELDER OF THE MONTH / ON CALL: The Elder of the Month / On Call for the month of June will be **MIKE NORMAN**. Mike's contact information: 334-306-7583 (cell); mikenorman7583@yahoo.com (email).

<p>2017 BUDGET—\$13,500.00</p> <p>6/11/17—CONTRIBUTION: \$12,857.00</p> <p>BUDGET: -\$643.00 / YTD: +\$6,636.69</p>

<p>STATISTICS 6/11/17</p> <p>Bible Class: 160</p> <p>AM Worship: 206 / PM Worship: 152</p> <p>EMBF: \$150.50</p>

June 18, 2017 / Leading the congregation in:

Announcements:

A.M.: Brooks Housley

P.M.: Brooks Housley

Opening Prayer:

A.M.: Andrew Long

P.M.: Nathan Futral

Closing Prayer:

A.M.: S. Neuenschwander

P.M.: Josh Cochran

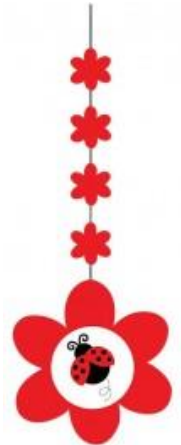
Singing:

A.M.: David Hester

P.M.: David Hester

LADYBUGS' CORNER:

- ♦ **June 17:** Dinner & Devo Brunch, 9 AM
- ♦ **June 17:** VBS Prep Help, immediately following D&D
- ♦ **June 26:** M-N-M is scheduled for Monday, June 26, 6:30 PM Dinner / 7:00 PM Bible class. We will continue our study of Eternal Assurance – Master It from II Peter 1 with a discussion of Self Control. Worksheets are available in the LadyBUGS' Room. The menu is hotdogs and a sign-up list is posted in the LadyBUGS Room. Come join us.
- ♦ **EASTERN MEADOWS LADIES' RETREAT UPDATE:** The Retreat Committee is in the process of planning an EM ladies retreat for 2018. The date being considered is March 9 & 10, 2018. The retreat will begin Friday late afternoon or evening and will conclude Saturday after lunch. The location will be in close proximity to Montgomery. No definite plans have been made at this time. In order to make necessary arrangements for lodging, food, etc., we need an idea of how many ladies would like to attend. If you are interested in attending our EM ladies retreat and did not attend the recent meeting, please sign the list available in the LadyBUGS' Room. This is not a commitment to attend. This information will be used for planning purposes only. If you have any questions concerning our retreat, please see Melanie Bush or Kristy Hatch.
- ♦ **COMING IN JULY:** Panama Mission – Christmas in July & Sunshine Bags



MEMBERS IN THE MIDDLE

- ♦ **Benevolence Project Needs—May:** Travel Size shaving gel and disposable razors. Collection basket in main foyer.
- ♦ **June 23:** Fellowship & Concert, 6:30 PM

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- ♦ **July 9:** Second Sunday Night Fellowship, PM

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **June 19-22:** VBS, 9:30-11:30 AM
- **June 21:** Area Wide Youth Devo

FELLOWSHIP MEAL SCHEDULE:

June 25: Teams 3 (Norton) & 4 (Hatch). Both teams are to bring enough food—a meal—to feed own their family plus some. Tea is provided. Team 3 is responsible for set-up and Team 4 is responsible for clean-up.



July 9: Teams 2 (Hester) & 3 (Norton). Both teams are to bring enough food—a meal—to feed their family plus some. Tea is provided. Team 2 is responsible for set-up and Team 3 is responsible for clean-up.

4 Hours!!!

ETERNAL ASSURANCE

“I resolve to attend every service of the Eastern Meadows church in 2017”

Think Priorities and Commitment