



# Eastern Meadows Church of Christ

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October 4, 2018

## 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:

6:30 p.m. Bible Study

**WELCOME!**

## September 30, 2018 Numbers

**2018 BUDGET—\$13,890.00**

**CONTRIBUTION: \$12,980.50**

**BUDGET: -\$909.50 YTD: +\$5,485.35**

**AVG YTD 39 WEEKS: \$14,030.65**

**Class: 145 AM Worship: 191 EMBF: \$3,808.00**

## Mission Report About Apologetics Press

### Sunday Night, October 7, Speaker, Eric Lyons

Eric Lyons is a graduate of Freed-Hardeman University, where he earned a B.S. with a double major in Bible and history, and an M.Min. Eric has served as a full-time member of the Bible Department at Apologetics Press since 2001. Eric and his wife Jana live in Wetumpka, Alabama, where Eric has also worked with the Wetumpka church of Christ since 2007, currently serving as an elder and associate minister.

Eric has authored or co-authored more than a dozen books, including *The Anvil Rings: Answers to Alleged Bible Discrepancies (Volumes 1 & 2)*, *Reasons to Believe*, *Truth Be Told*, *Wonders of God's Creation*, and *Behold! The Lamb of God*. In addition, he writes regularly for the Apologetics Press

Web site, which receives millions of page views annually from users around the globe. Eric speaks frequently at seminars and Gospel meetings around the country, and specializes in presenting seminars on the following topics: *Creation vs. Evolution; Is the Bible Reliable?; A Closer Look at Christ; Scripture, Science, and Common Sense: 3 Votes for God; The Case for Christianity; Confronting Cultural Confusion*



**Eric Lyons**

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

**No Greater Work.** Is there a greater work you can do than to help someone get to heaven?

**Upcoming!** December 2 will be the day Involvement Forms and Purpose Cards are passed out. Begin to think what you might plan for 2019 (it is just around the corner!).

**Thank you.** As always you have generously given to the Eastern Meadows Benevolence Fund for the September 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Contribution. Thanks for your faithfulness in supporting this!

**Amazing Opportunity.** In these pages much has been said about Polishing The Pulpit as Tish and I, usually Tim and Sally, and this year David Hester has attended. The first to attend from Eastern Meadows was Don and Dixie Brannan. After his going, he told me, “you are going next year” and we have gone every year since. Tish began teaching the second year we attended, along with several other EM ladies. However, you can attend to . . . without ever leaving your home. The 2018 Polishing the Pulpit is now available in the mp3 format on a thumb drive for only \$49. The link to find it is <https://store.wvbs.org/product/mp3-usb-audio-polishing-the-pulpit-2018/>. WVBS describes it this way, “August 17th-23rd, 2018 over 5,000 people attended Polishing the Pulpit (PTP) in Sevierville, TN. There were more than 160 speakers, 125+ men and 35+ women, for 350+ hours of great teaching material. These sessions are now available on a MP3-USB Flash Drive. This USB is AUDIO ONLY and is meant to be used in your car or downloaded onto your computer and mobile devices.” If you get this and listen to this you will NOT regret it. I can assure you of that!

**Listening.** I am always listening to something. In the last several weeks it has been sermons by V. P. Black. Before that it was the 2018 Freed-Hardeman Lectures and I will go back to that after I finish the V. P. Black lessons. However, for the price, for the number of lessons, the above PTP thumb drive can't be beat. Of course, if you are listening to your BIBLE, that is the best thing you can listen to.

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

Our next Youth Group Area Wide will be October 14<sup>th</sup> at Grandview Pines. It looks like we will more than likely need someone to drive a second vehicle each month (that's a good thing!), so please let me know if you can **help** us out. Thanks!

Exposure 2018 registration begins on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact me by October 14<sup>th</sup> if you are interested.

Upcoming events:

Youth Group Area Wide – Oct 14<sup>th</sup> @ Grandview Pines

October College Devo – Oct 21<sup>st</sup>

### **TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:**

**Last week's question:** The father of Jonah was named: Answer: Amittai (Jonah 1:1)

**This week's question:** Who said that God would gather all nations and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat? A. Daniel; B. Nahum; C. Joel



## **MEN'S TRAINING CLASS**

There will be a Men's Training Class will be [this Sunday, Oct. 7, 3:30 PM](#), in the Fellowship Hall. ALL men are invited to participate.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS 10/4/18

October 7, 2018 / **Leading the congregation in:**

**Scripture Reading:**  
A.M.: Nathan Futral

**Main Prayer:**  
A.M.: Blaine Benson  
P.M.: Jon Timbes

**Closing Prayer:**  
A.M.: Banks Sewell  
P.M.: Lamon Dees

**Singing:**  
A.M.: William Dill  
P.M.: William Dill

**Security (During Services) - Sunday AM: James Kelley / Sunday PM & 10/10: Brad Jackson**

**Security (Building Lock-up After Services): Josh Cochran**

**SICK:** CECILIA PORTERFIELD is recovering at home following surgery Monday and has requested no visitors. VIRGINIA EVANS is now a resident of Country Cottages. GEORGE DAVIDSON continues to be treated for pain. ED BAGENTS, father of Tim Bagents and Melanie Bush, is home after being in the hospital. FRED SMITH, Veotha Smith's husband, was unable to have knee surgery due to an infection. Sick at home Sunday: JIMMY ALLEN, ANNEGENE DAVIS, NATHAN & KALLIE FUTRAL, MARCIA GRAVES, MARGARET GRAVES, CHARLES HENDERSON, and JAY & KERRY ROBERTS. Continue to remember our members listed on our Sunday-Night-Service Prayer List. Shut-ins: CATHERINE LEINHEISER, JEWEL BARNES, LANETTE TAYLOR, and FRANCIS NELSON. Battling Cancer: MIKE NORMAN, HOLLY THOMASSON, CHARLES HENDERSON, and JAY ROBERTS.

**PRAYER REQUEST LIST:** (Health Issues): DONNA KLINE, CARSON DAVIS, GENEVA JOHNSON, GEORGE & NINA HERRING, ELI MORGAN, AVA GILLEY, INGRID HATCH, SUSIE WILKERSON, ROYCE CHANDLER, FRED SMITH, JEROME RAUCH, ANNIE KAYE, and CHARLES BUSH. (Battling Cancer) CAROL ANN WOODALL, PAUL MEACHUM, VERENA JONES, DEREK MAY, CHRIS HETHCOX, LARRY WINFIELD, SANDRA HONAKER, DENNIS TURNER, KENNETH BRANNAN, TERESA NICHOLS, JR BRINT, and CHANDRA JOHNSON. (Other) The SPIRITUALLY ILL—weak and wayward members.

**SYMPATHY:** Our sympathy is extended to LUCY SUMMERLIN in the passing of her cousin last week.

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**THANK YOU:** Dear Christian Friends, Thank you all so much for your kind words, many, many cards, and especially your fervent prayers. I feel the blessings of such Christian love and I know the great physician has heard and is at work in my life! Please continue to remember me, as well as Ron and our family in your prayers. In Christian love, Sandra Honaker

**AREA WIDE SINGING:** Georgia Road Church of Christ will host the Area Wide Singing Friday, Oct. 5, 7 PM.

**BRIDAL SHOWER:** There will be a Bridal Shower in honor of KATIE HARTMAN on Sunday, Oct. 7, following the PM worship service. BEN SHIVER is the groom. Katie is registered at Target and Walmart. All ladies are invited to attend..

**AREA WIDE LADIES' DEVO:** University Church of Christ will host the next Area Wide Ladies' Devotional on Monday, October 8, 7-8 PM. This year's theme is "Seasons of Life: David's Walk with God" and the lesson will be the winter of David's life, David's refuge in life and hope in death. Mark your calendars and plan to participate. ALL ladies are invited to attend.

**SENIOR OUTING (others are welcome to go also):** A trip has been planned to attend Pioneer Day at Loachapoka (5 mi. west of Auburn on Hwy 14), Saturday, October 20th, 7 am - 4 pm. We will plan to leave the church building at 8 AM and travel in personal vehicles [not a van]. This event was formerly known as Syrup Soppin' Fair. Read about it at <https://www.aotourism.com/Event/8923/Pioneer-Day-at-Loachapoka/>

**LADIES DAY:** There will be a Ladies' Day at Redland Road Church of Christ Saturday, Oct. 20, beginning at 9 AM. The theme is "Just Between Us" with Cindy Colley and Hannah Giselbach speaking. RSVP to (334) 514-3656 or redlandroadladiesday@yahoo.com.

**2018 HOLIDAY PROJECTS:** The Holidays are almost here! Eastern Meadows has the opportunity to assist some families with need during this season. We will provide Thanksgiving Meals in November and adopt some families to help with Christmas in December. During the month of October, the Holiday Projects Committee will be collecting funds for the Christmas Project. We will help with needs that we may have within our EM family as well as adopt families with children who have needs through the Family Sunshine Center. We have opportunity to participate in the **Christmas project** in three ways:

- **Financially** – Please see Patty Benson, Wilma Berry, Ann Evans or Haley Steelman by NOVEMBER 4.
- **Shop** - shopping will be done in early November – watch for more info.
- **Wrap gifts** – Wrapping Party date to be announced soon.

Your help is needed in all of these areas. Please consider how you can be involved in our Holiday Projects this year. If you need more information, please see Haley Steelman.

**TRUNK-OR-TREAT:** Sunday, October 28th @ 6 p.m. Pizza Party / \$5 per Family in Fellowship Hall. Trunk or Treat @ 7 p.m. in front Fellowship Parking Lot. Look for sign-up sheet.

**FALL FESTIVAL:** Our Fall Festival will be Saturday, Nov. 3, 5-8 PM. We will have a Chili Cook-Off, Games and FUN for all ages. Mountain Railway will be entertaining us.

**THURSDAY BIBLE CLASS:** 10:30 AM. Oct. 11 lesson will be on Amos.

**OCTOBER STANDBY TEAM—4 (CHANDLER)**

**ELDER OF THE MONTH / ON CALL:** The Elder of the Month for October is **PAUL CLEMENTS**. Contact information: (334) 531-1667; paulclem26@gmail.com.

## “Choosing That Good Part” Ladies’ Retreat

Our ladies’ retreat will be October 18-20! We will be studying 1 Peter. Cost is \$75 and should be made payable to Eastern Meadows Church of Christ. Registration forms are available at the front and midway foyers. Please give your payment and registration form to Wilma Berry by **this Sunday, Oct. 7th**. See Tish Housley for more information.



### SCHEDULE

**October 14:** Teams 5 (Jackson/Mann) and 1 (Long). Both teams are to bring enough food, bread, and dessert to feed their family plus visitors. Tea is provided. Team 5 is responsible for set-up and Team 1 is responsible for clean-up.

**October 28:** Teams 2 (Benson) and 3 (Gotkiewicz). Both teams are to bring enough food, bread, and dessert to feed their family plus visitors. Tea is provided. Team 2 is responsible for set-up and Team 3 is responsible for clean-up.

**October Standby Team - Team 4 (Chandler):** 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

- ◆ **Oct. Communion Prep:** Kristy Hatch
- ◆ **Oct. Baptismal Garments:** Latasha Kelley
- ◆ **Oct. 7:** A Time To Pray, 4:30 PM
- ◆ **Oct. 7:** Katie Hartman Bridal Shower, 6 PM
- ◆ **Oct. 8:** MVP Lunch @ Cracker Barrel, 11:30 AM
- ◆ **Oct. 8 & 15:** Outreach/FSC, 6-7 PM
- ◆ **Oct. 8:** Area Wide Ladies’ Devo @ University Church of Christ, 7 PM

## T.I.P. - SUNDAY’S, 4:30 pm

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- **Oct. 14:** Area Wide Youth Devo, PM
- **Oct. 31:** Prayer Dinner, 5:30 PM

### COLLEGE EVENTS

**Oct. 21:** Devotional, PM