

# Worship Assignments

## Sunday Morning Services

### August 3rd

### August 10th

Announcements Nathan Collier  
 Scripture Reading Spencer Hall  
 Open Prayer Don McKee  
 Song Leading Barry Kingsley  
 Close Prayer Bob Burton  
 Head Table Quentin Holloway

Quentin Holloway  
 Tucker Hall  
 Ken White  
 Barry Kingsley  
 Mark Pettit  
 Tim Hall

Assist John Stephens  
 Jackie Cochran  
 Ben Kingsley  
 Sammy Wright  
 Jerry Cole  
 John Painter  
 Reid Cochran  
 Brent Parker

Preston Kingsley  
 Dalton Stephens  
 Rylan Cochran  
 Dillon Ledford  
 Spencer Hall  
 Romario Ramirez  
 Mason Hadden  
 Ross Cochran

Usher M.Brackett R.Burton  
 D.Green Ry.Cochran  
 R.Ramirez D.Ledford  
 William Parker

D.Bailey N.Collier  
 Re.Cochran Ru.Cochran  
 T.Rochester D.Green  
 William Parker

Sound Board B&S Burkewitz  
 Projector J.Holloway F.Hightower  
 Greeters J.Mailen

B&T Weeks  
 E&S Busby  
 C.Ledford P.Ledford

### Sunday Evening Services

Announcements Barry Pritchett  
 Open Prayer Billy Green  
 Song Leading Barry Kingsley  
 Close Prayer Marvin Pritchett  
 Communion Quentin Holloway  
 Sound Board William Parker

Barry Pritchett  
 Garry Rittenberry  
 Jon Podein  
 Rob Burton  
 Tim Hall  
 William Parker

### AUGUST

### SEPTEMBER

Unlock Building Bob Burkewitz  
 Lock Building Ken White

Robert Wood  
 Tate McCoy

### August 6th

### August 13th

Announcements Quentin Holloway  
 Song Leading John Painter  
 Prayer Robert Wood  
 Sound Board William Parker

Tim Hall  
 Barry Pritchett  
 Nathan Collins  
 William Parker

If you cannot serve, please contact Garry Rittenberry.

The bulletin is printed on Thursday. Information submitted after that day will print the following week.

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SUNDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship 10:30 am  
 Evening Worship 6 pm  
 WEDNESDAY: Bible Study 7pm

### Minister

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 Tim Hall - 706-669-0915  
 Tom Hall - 706-635-2914  
 Barry Kingsley - 706-276-7842  
 Tate McCoy - 706-273-3538  
 John Painter - 706-889-7822  
 Barry Pritchett - 706-276-3799  
 Garry Rittenberry - 706-276-4846

### Week of July 27th


Contribution.....\$6243  
 Budget.....\$6000  
 Over Year To Date.....\$1525  
 BibleStudy.....131  
 AM Worship.....202  
 PM Worship.....143  
 Wednesday Evening.....127

### Missionary

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Copies of all sermons from our pulpit are available on CD for \$1.00. Request sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Free Bible Correspondence is also available by contacting the church office or Cleah Boaz, at 706-636-4516.

If you or a friend or family member would like to schedule a personal Bible study, please see Butch Jones.



The church is a hospital for sinners, not a club for saints

### Let Us Rise Up and Build

Please use the white envelopes on the back of the pews to make your donation to the Building Fund for the new Fellowship Hall/Education Building. Funds in the Growth & Expansion account and the Building Fund account, through June 30, 2014, total \$157,135.95. Thank you to everyone that has donated. Checks should be made to Ellijay Church of Christ and placed in the contribution trays. **"FILL A CAN" ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP.** The cans will be collected and counted at the September Snak-N-Yak.

# Ellijay Church of Christ

August 3, 2014

# Life in Christ and His Church

GREATER IS HE  
 THAT IS IN YOU,  
 THAN HE THAT IS  
 IN THE WORLD.

- 1 John 4:4 KJV -

Welcome to our Visitors! Please complete the visitors card and pass it to the end of the aisle. It will be collected after announcements so we will have a record of your visit.

## In our Thoughts and Prayers



Clevie Walker is in very serious condition with inoperable cancer in the lymph nodes, pancreas and lungs. He had fluid drained this past week.

Betty Bevins continues to recover from a fall from a few weeks ago.

Jess Cochran is under dr's care for some health concerns.

Carmen Rivera developed an infection and dr's have postponed her knee surgery until August 28th.

Garry Rittenberry tore a calf muscle while at work last week.

Charles Weeks, Billy's nephew, will be starting chemo in the next few days.

Billy Teague, David's father, was recently diagnosed with leukemia and in need of prayers.

Raymond Stanley, of Northcutt Road, remains in critical condition at Floyd Medical Center in Rome.

We received a prayer request from the Walton family in which 2 members are battling cancer and another member is serving in the military in Afghanistan.

### CANCER PATIENTS

David Cochran, Billy Stells, Treet Tilley, Jewell Green, Lillie Scaglione, Buddy & Lafem Dove, Mark Hyde, Calvin Michael Evans, Tressa Carter, Renee Jeffers, Doris Dean, Carol Stanley, Brenda Huffman, Roy Elrod, Lisa Macy, Dean Cleavinger, Elizabeth King, Adair Owen, Danielle Coats, Dewayne Wood, Brenda Martin, Don Powichroski



We extend our sympathy to Terry and Kathy Rochester and their family in the passing away of Terry's nephew, Andrew Rochester. He was involved in a four wheeler accident in south Georgia at the beginning of last week.

**FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY**  
Kourtney Bolen, Seth Carswell, Eli Chastain, Reid Cochran, Steven Giannone, Jonathan Hensley, Zach Hill, Wayne Jones, Jacob Mahaffey, Patrick Mahaffey, Evan Pankey, William Pettit, Wilson Pettit, Winston Pettit, Frankie & Stephanie Silva, Canio Sequevia-Cuevas, David Taylor, Matthew Upshaw

### NURSING HOME

Pauline Mullinax, Florence Stanley, Gladys Logan Shultz, Edith Davis, Kathy Queen

Atalin Chastain - 3rd  
Jennifer Burton - 4th  
Janetta McCoy - 5th  
Daniel Valesquez - 6th

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

Tate & Janetta McCoy - 9th  
John & Tommie Stephens - 9th

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



1st-3rd - Some of our young people and parents are attending **SEC at Faulkner**. Please keep them in your prayers.

6th - **Summer Series** "Praying in Worship in Jesus' Church" Cary Oglesby

8th - **Rome Braves game** 7pm.

10th - **North Georgia Back To School Youth Night**. Andrew Kingsley will be our special speaker and Jon Podein will be the special song leader. We hope everyone is inviting friends and family! The Elders have asked Andrew to teach the Young Married Bible class in the a.m. as well as bring the morning lesson.



13th - **Summer Series** "Financial Giving in Worship in Jesus' Church" Jack James



16th - **Back to School Cookout** for all school age children and parents! 5:30 pm at the home of Quentin & Joann. Boys need to bring a drink and girls bring cookies. There is a sign up sheet on the board!

22nd - **Family Game Night** in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone welcome for food and games! Meal with be sub sandwiches, chips and ice cream cake; \$3 per person to cover dinner costs. Please see the bulletin board for more information! Open to everyone!!!



### OTHERS TO REMEMBER

Peggy Walker, Zach Pritchett, Sandra Pankey, Bill & Ann Burkett, Tammy Wood, Betty Hall, Joey Johnson, June Handte, Carmen Rivera, Brooke Burnette, Gladys Holloway, Clay Holloway, Carl & Mary Giannone, Elmer LaRue, Kim Cline, Betty Johnson, Mary Parker, James Mullinax, Martha Ralston, Betty Bevins, Opal Corbin, Chuck Hartnett, Wanda Ritchie, Vonnie Busby, Billy Teems, Lane Reece, Vickie Ledford, Florene Johnson, Harold Shepherd, Janis Blakenship



How do I know God is with me? What if this is all a hoax?

The thick and dreadful darkness of doubt. The same darkness you feel when you sit on a polished pew in a funeral chapel and listen to the obituary of the one you love more than life. The same darkness that you feel when you hear the words, "The tumor is malignant. We have to operate." The same darkness that falls upon you when you realize you just lost your temper.. . again. The same darkness you feel when you realize that the divorce you never wanted is final.

The same darkness into which Jesus screamed, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Appropriate words. For when we doubt, God seems very far away.

Which is exactly why he chose to draw so near.

Throughout time, though God's people often forgot their God, God didn't forget them. He kept his word. God didn't give up. He never gives up. When Joseph was dropped into a pit by his own brothers, God didn't give up. When Moses said, "Here I am, send Aaron," God didn't give up.

When the delivered Israelites wanted Egyptian slavery instead of milk and honey, God didn't give up. When Aaron was making a false god at the very moment Moses was with the true God, God didn't give up. When only two of the ten spies thought the Creator was powerful enough to deliver the created, God didn't give up.

When Samson whispered to Delilah, when Saul roared after David, when David schemed against Uriah; when God's word lay forgotten and man's idols stood glistening; when the children of Israel were taken into captivity; He could have given up. He could have turned his back. He could have walked away from the wretched mess, but he didn't.

He didn't give up.

When he became flesh and was the victim of an assassination attempt before he was two years old; when the people from his own home town tried to push him over a cliff; when his brothers ridiculed him, he didn't give up. When he was accused of blaspheming God by people who didn't fear God, he didn't give up. When Peter worshiped him at the supper and cursed him at the fire, he didn't give up.

When people spat in his face, he didn't spit back When the bystanders slapped him, he didn't slap them. When a whip ripped his sides, he didn't turn and command the awaiting angels to stuff that whip down that soldier's throat.

And when human hands fastened the divine hands to a cross with spikes, it wasn't the soldiers who held the hands of Jesus steady. It was God who held them steady. For those wounded hands were the same invisible hands that had carried the firepot and the torch two thousand years earlier. They were the same hands that had brought light into Abram's thick and dreadful darkness. They had come to do it again.

So, the next time doubt walks in, escort him out. Out to the hill. Out to Calvary. Out to the cross where, with holy blood, the hand that carried the flame wrote the promise, "God would give up his only son before he'd give up on you."