

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

<i>Announcements</i>	<i>August 25th</i> Butch Jones	<i>September 1st</i> Butch Jones
<i>Scripture Reading</i>	Preston Kingsley	Dalton Stephens
<i>Open Prayer</i>	Quentin Holloway	Tim Hall
<i>Song Leading</i>	Jim Wright	Jim Wright
<i>Close Prayer</i>	Curtis Kingsley	Mark Pettit
<i>Head Table</i>	Tim Hall	Tom Hall

<i>Assist</i>	Tate McCoy	Rob Burton
	George Hall	Tim Hall
	Billy Weeks	Tate McCoy
	Ed Busby	Bob Burkewitz
	Tom Hall	John Johnson
	Jerry Cole	George Hall
	Nathan Collier	Nathan Collier
	Billy Green	Garry Rittenberry

<i>Usher</i>	R.Burton C.Cody	M.WilsonT.Rochester
	J.RalstonT.Rochester	C.Cody P.Kingsley
	Sp.Hall J.Ledford	Tuck.HallRy.Cochran
	William Parker	William Parker

<i>Sound Board</i>	B&S Burkewitz	J&A Johnson
<i>Projector</i>	B.Turley J.Mailen	Q&J Holloway
<i>Greeters</i>	T.Weeks	M.Teems B.Turley
		P.Ledford

SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICES

<i>Announcements</i>	Barry Kingsley	Butch Jones
<i>Open Prayer</i>	Young Men	Billy Green
<i>Song Leading</i>	Young Men	Jim Wright
<i>Close Prayer</i>	Young Men	Garry Rittenberry
<i>Communion</i>	Tim Hall	Tom Hall
<i>Sound Board</i>	William Parker	William Parker
<i>Projector</i>		

AUGUST

Unlock Building David Green
Lock Building Robert Wood

SEPTEMBER

Eddy Mullinax
Eddy Mullinax

<i>Announcements</i>	<i>August 28th</i> Butch Jones	<i>September 4th</i> Butch Jones
<i>Song Leading</i>	Barry Pritchett	John Painter
<i>Prayer</i>	Nathan Collier	Robert Wood
<i>Sound Board</i>	William Parker	William Parker

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Week of August 18th

Contribution.....	\$5939
Budget.....	\$6800
Over Year to Date.....	\$721
Bible Study.....	127
AM Worship.....	203
PM Worship.....	151
Wednesday Evening.....	154

Gospel Broadcasting Network, 24hours/7days, Channel 21
"Truth For The World," Sunday, ETC Channel 3, 9:00 AM
"In Search Of The Lord's Way," Sunday, Channel 24, 7:30 AM

The bulletin is printed on Thursday. Any items coming in after noon on Thursday will go in the following week's bulletin.

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. Please contact the church office or Cleah Boaz, at 706-636-4516.

Ellijay Church of Christ

...Spreading the Good News

August 25, 2013



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. We hope you come as a guest, and leave as a friend.

SUNDAY: Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY: Bible Study 7:00 p.m.



Hollis and Vernell Lowman are both having health issues at this time. Please keep them in your prayers.

Al Crawford's wife, Pat, is recovering from a fractured kneecap and broken wrist. If you would like to send an encouraging card:

1747 Mountain Creek Hollow
Talking Rock, GA 30175

Brooke Stanley Burnett will be undergoing back surgery again.

Betty Strickland, Joann Holloway's sister, underwent open heart surgery this past Thursday.

4 year old Daniel Escobar was hit by an automobile this past week, just below the church building. Please keep he & his family in your prayers.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Luisa Varin - 25th
- Bryan Wright - 25th
- Vernon Gibbs - 27th
- Kadie Weaver - 27th
- Janie Wright - 28th
- Tom McCoy - 29th
- Helen Stephens - 30th

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. Checks should be made to Ellijay Church of Christ and placed in the contribution trays.

Building Fund Envelopes



OTHERS TO REMEMBER

Peggy Walker, Zach Pritchett, Betty Hall, Gladys Holloway, Clay Holloway, Hollis & Vernell Lowman, Carl & Mary Giannone, Elmer LaRue, Jason Baker, Keith Martin, Loretta Jenkins, Kim Cline, Betty Johnson, Mary Parker, Butch Davis, James Mullinax, Martha Ralston, Betty Bevins, Opal Corbin, Chuck Sisson, Ronnie Messer, Ed Marks, Melanie Lunsford, Jean Chastain, Scott Huffman, Paul Danger, Steve Woody, Chuck Hartnett, Wanda Ritchie, Vennie Busby, Billy Teems, Lane Reece, Vickie Ledford, Terri Lynn Carpenter, Marcus Driskell, Brooke Stanley Burnett, Cat May

OUR CANCER PATIENTS

David Cochran, Martha Rollins, Billy Stells, Treet Tilley, Jewell Green, Nancy Lockheart, Lillie Scaglione, Buddy & Lafern Dove, Mark Hyde, Connie Bishop, Angie Hodge, Calvin Michael Evans, Tressa Carter, Warren Watson, Bobby Long, Renee Jeffers, Ray Ritchie, Doris Dean, Skylar Naugher, Carol Stanley, Steve Moore, Tray O'Neal, Lula Mae Cotney, Brenda Huffman, Roy Elrod, Lisa Macy, Ronnie Coleman, Dean Cleavinger

NURSING HOME

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

FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Kourtney Bolen, Eli Chastain, Reid Cochran, David Giannone, Steven Giannone, Jonathan Hensley, Zach Hill, Jacob Mahaffey, Patrick Mahaffey, Evan Pankey, Rushton Pettit, William Pettit, Winston Pettit, Frankie & Stephanie Silva, David Taylor, Wayne M. Jones

AUGUST



TODAY - Young men in charge of the evening service. We hope everyone will come out and encourage them.

26th - Monday Night for the Master, our final one at this time.

28th - We conclude our Summer Series with Chris Barnett, on "Obedient to Jesus in a Sinful World"

Coming up in September.....

1st - Gilmer Nursing Home Devotional, 3pm

2nd - Labor Day Picnic at ETC Pavilion

3rd - Ladies Bible Class. 9:30 am for fellowship and class begins at 10am.

4th - Personal Evangelism class begins, 6:30pm-8pm.

7th - Church building and grounds cleaning day.

9th - GA School of Preaching Class, "Life & Times of Christ". Taught by David Decker, 6:30pm-8:30pm, each Monday night.

13th - Promotion Sunday for youth who will be moving up in Bible Classes

13th-15th - Gospel Meeting & Youth Rally. Gospel Meeting: Friday-7pm, Saturday-4pm, Sunday-9:30am & 10:30am. Youth Rally: Saturday-9am-4pm. Also, the **Cook out and Hayride at the Pritchett's Farm Saturday evening.**

22nd - Elders, Deacons, Minister & Ministry Leaders Mtg.

22nd - 4th Sunday Night Singing service

In his great spiritual allegory *Pilgrim's Progress*, John Bunyan writes of a character "who looked no way but downward." The poor man was groveling on his knees in the dirt and filth, searching constantly with a rake, trying to unearth some priceless buried treasure that would enrich his life. All the while, a bright diadem was within reach just above him.

Bunyan summarized the tragedy of his character this way: "There stood One over his head with a celestial crown in his hand, and proffered him that crown for his muck rake; but the man never looked up as he continued gathering to himself the straw, the small sticks, and the dust of the floor."

It is true that some people could improve their mental and spiritual health significantly by adjusting the direction of their gaze. Those who tend always to see the dark and dreary side of life would do well to adopt a healthier view of things. Yes, there is such a thing as a sappy, naive, unrealistic optimism. But that opposite extreme is not the only alternative to hopelessness. There is a balance of *realism about life* and *confidence in God* that makes one a functional human being in a stressful world.

But something even more important than keeping a rein on one's daily attitude toward life and its stresses, believing always that God will help his people deal with whatever may come. Christian faith allows a line of sight that takes eternity into account. Someone who is deeply rooted in her heavenly citizenship can deal with anything that happens in the here and now.

This isn't denial or pie-in-the-sky delusion. It is the very practical confidence that living for what is yet to come is worth sacrifice and suffering today.

Writing to some who were facing persecution for confessing Jesus, our Savior gave this counsel: "Keep your eyes on *Jesus*, who both began and finished this race we're in. Study how he did it. Because he never lost sight of where he was headed – that exhilarating finish in and with God – he could put up with anything along the way: Cross, shame, whatever. And now he's *there*, in the place of honor, right alongside God. When you find yourselves flagging in your faith, go over that story again, item by item, that long litany of hostility he plowed through. *That* will shoot adrenaline into your souls!" (Hebrews 12: 2-3).

I like Eugene Peterson's paraphrase of the counsel. Jesus never lost sight of where he was headed – and so put up with the cross and shame on his way. To live by that same long-term view gives an adrenaline boost to us in hard times.

Faith in God's tomorrow will help you cope with your frustrating today's. (Modified)

Because He lives,

Terry L. Stuart

Get Involved!