

We are so glad that you are with us today! Our service will be to praise and worship God and to encourage and uplift us to face another week. We will sing (Eph. 5:19, Col. 3:16), pray (James 5:15-18), and partake of the Lord's Supper to remember our Savior's sacrifice on the cross (Acts 20:7, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). We will also give back a portion of the monetary blessings that God has granted us so that we can carry out His work in our community (1 Cor. 16:2, 2 Cor. 9:7). We will also study a lesson from His Word that will hopefully be applicable to our daily lives, so that we can be equipped to handle the pressures of this world and reach those outside of Christ (2 Tim. 2:15). If you are a visitor, please fill out the yellow visitor's card and pass it to the end of the aisle so it can be collected. You are truly an honored guest, so please give us an opportunity to meet you after our services are over! "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

Worship

Scripture Reading

Song (#648) Stand Up Stand Up for Jesus

Song (#753) Farther Along

Song (#77) Glorify Thy Name

Opening Prayer

Song (#475) Glory To His Name

Partake of the Lords Supper

Contribution

Song (#572) Each Step of the Way

Message

Song (PPT) God Is Calling The Prodigal

Song (#755) God Be With You

Closing Prayer

**Worship Assignments
Sunday Morning**

	October 11th	October 18th
Announcements	Nathan Collier	Nathan Collier
Scripture Reading	Quinn Collier	Rylan Cochran
Open Prayer	Garry Rittenberry	Rob Burton
Song Leading	Jim Wright	JimWright
Close Prayer	Mark Pettit	Bob Burton
Head Table	Tim Hall	KenWhite
Assist	L. Mulkey D. Stephens Ry.Cochran D. Ledford Sp.Hall Ro.Cochran Tu.Hall Ru.Cochran	R. Kimsey J. Chancey Re.Cochran Jim Rep T. Rochester J. Jenkins E. Mulkey B. Burkewitz
Usher	J. Cochran M. Hadden L. Mulkey L. Burton	R. Burton Tu.Hall J. Ralston R. Stephens
Greeters	B&S Burkewitz C&M Giannone C. Ledford P.Ledford	J&S Rep M. Pritchett K&J White
	Evening	Evening
Announcements	Nathan Collier	Butch Jones
Open Prayer	Marvin Pritchett	Josh Chancey
Song Leading	Jim Wright	Jim Wright
Close Prayer	Spencer Hall	Tucker Hall
Communion	Tim Hall	Ken White
	October 14th	October 21st
Announcements	Butch Jones	Butch Jones
Song Leading	Dillon Ledford	Spencer Hall
Prayer	Rob Burton	Barry Pritchett

If you cannot serve, please contact Garry Rittenberry. Copies of all sermons from our pulpit are available on CD for \$1.00 Request sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

Let Us Rise Up and Build

Envelopes are available on the back of the pews to make your donation to the Building Fund for the new Fellowship Hall/Education Building. Total funds through 9/30/15 in the Building and Emergency Fund total \$241,296.96. "FILL A CAN" ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP. Cans will be opened and counted at the September Snak-N-Yak.

Free Bible Correspondence is available by contacting the church office or Cleah Boaz, at 706-636-4516.

Week of October 4th	
Contribution.....	\$6729
Budget.....	\$6100
WeeklyAverageYTD.....	\$6520
Bible Study.....	148
AM Worship.....	227
PM Worship.....	162
Wednesday Evening.....	153



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Sunday Bible Classes
9:30 am
Morning Worship
10:30 am
Evening Worship
6:00 pm
Wednesday Bible Study
7:00 pm

At the end of each lesson, we offer an invitation that serves a variety of purposes. The invitation is a chance for our members to come and ask for prayers of strength as they struggle with life's difficulties. It is also a chance to come forward, confess sin, and be reconciled to God. When one of our members is caught up in public sin a public confession shows that their desire is to be restored and causes joy in Heaven among the angels (Luke 15:7, 10).

Responses to the invitation can be for a number of other things as well. Many respond asking for prayers for close friends or family members, and some choose to respond during the invitation to express their desire to place membership or identify as part of the local church.

The invitation is offered for members of God's family, but it is also an opportunity for those outside of Christ to respond and become a Christian. If anyone in the audience is ready to repent, confess Christ as the Son of God, and be baptized for the forgiveness of their sins we urge them to come at that time so they can be saved by the blood of Christ! We have had three to make this choice recently, and it is my prayer that many more make that decision here at Ellijay in the near future!

In a very real way, everyone responds to the invitation. Some use that time to pray and ask forgiveness for private sin that only God knows about, and others make an internal choice to live stronger throughout the week ahead. Still others who need to make a change respond negatively and do nothing. Even if we fall into that category from time to time it is important to note that the invitation is ALWAYS open. We can always ask for prayers of strength, and the invitation to become a Christian is open day and night!

Someone once remarked that I look disappointed during the invitation song when no one has come forward, and the truth is I am. There should be no negative stigma attached to responding; the invitation is simply a time that the elders have set aside for us to meet and handle the spiritual needs of our family. If you are in need of prayer or want to express something to the congregation, please do not hesitate to respond at that moment. We love you, and God loves you. So today, during the invitation, won't you come as we stand and sing?

- Jeremy Green

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In our Thoughts and Prayers

Zach Pritchett continues to have health issues. Please keep him in your prayers.

CiCi Rivera continues to have serious health issues and in need of encouragement. Her birthday is this Thursday as well. If you would like to send an encouraging card:

7125 Verna Bethany Road
Myakka City, Florida 34251

Jennifer Burton's tests results came back with good news.

Lamar Gorman continues to suffer with his leg.

Conrad Puryer is recovering from colon cancer surgery. Please remember him in your prayers.

Please remember our shut ins who are not able to worship with us.

Please also remember our nursing home family: Pauline Mullinax, Gladys Logan Shultz and Edith Davis.



FAMILY & FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Seth Carswell, Eli Chastain, Reid Cochran, Steven Giannone, Corey Henry, Jonathan Hensley, Zach Hill, Wayne Jones, Jacob Mahaffey, Evan Pankey, William Pettit, Wilson Pettit, Winston Pettit, Frankie Silva, Canio Sequevia-Cuevas, Eric Spisak, David Taylor, Cameron Trammell, Matthew Upshaw, Kourtney Weeks

October Happenings



TODAY - Our youth group will be going to a Youth Winter Series, starting at Calhoun, this evening 6 p.m..

TOMORROW - RiverSing 2015 Tickets are \$28.50, boarding time 6:30 p.m. See the church office for tickets.



12th - Georgia School of Preaching class, "Developing Leadership in the Church" 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.. Open to everyone.

13th- Tuesday Ladies Bible Class, 9:30 a.m.- 11 a.m.. All ladies are invited and encouraged to attend.

14th - Trip to North Georgia Mountain Fair. Sign up sheet is on the board. Leaving the building at 10:30 a.m..

15th - Gospel Meeting at Eastside in Blue Ridge. Sign up sheet is on the board. Leaving the building at 6:45 p.m..

18th - GIFTS will be meeting. Girls should bring projects and have read Chapter 2.

24th - Youth/C-Squad Pumpkin Carving and Decorating, 6pm.



25th - Elders Appreciation Luncheon following morning service. We hope everyone will make a special effort to stay.



28th - Trunk or Treat following evening service.

CANCER PATIENTS

David Cochran, Charles Weeks, Billy Stells, Treet Tilley, Jewell Green, Lillie Scaglione, Lafern Dove, Doris Dean, Carol Stanley, Lisa Macy, Dean Cleavinger, Brenda Martin, Don Powichroski, Tori Boynton, John Corbin, Benjamin Corbin, Phillip Askew, Brandy Nicholson, Carolyn McTyre, Pam Wimberly, Jessica Campbell, Hugh Long, Jeff Hunter, Susie Rep

OTHERS TO REMEMBER

Zach Pritchett, Lamar Gorman, Clay Holloway, Bill & Ann Burkett, Gladys Holloway, Mary Parker, Vernon Gibbs, James Mullinax, Martha Ralston, Opal Corbin, Richard Neal, Genell Cantrell, Edith Hensley, CiCi Rivera, Geneva Holloway, Luisa Varin, Ruth Jones, Glenda Stanley, Chad Luther, Angela Dobson, Cody Sowder, Jeremy Ferrell, Shirley Jones, Shirley Davis

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Jaclyn Kingsley - 11th
Howard Mahaffey - 11th
Sharon Rep - 11th
Tina Bailey - 12th
Joyce Long - 12th
Barbara Morse - 12th
Sawyer Thompson - 12th
CiCi Rivera - 15th
Becca Pritchett - 16th

Tomorrow Night!!



**RiverSing
2015
on the
Southern Belle**

**Monday, October 12th
Tickets: \$28.50**



The Raintree Village food truck will be here to pickup on Monday, November 2nd. There is a list of many items they are in short supply of, as well as some they urgently need!

Care Packages for our College Students



We're collecting items through the month of October and we need **your** help! Boxes are located in the foyer. Some suggestions are pens, sharpies, stationary, gift cards for places such as McDonalds, Starbucks, Walmart, etc., stamps; microwave popcorn, gum, candy, etc.

We have rescheduled the dates for our church directory. Portraits will be done Friday, November 13th through Monday, November 16th. We are transferring the names and times of those who had previously made appointments to the new dates and will schedule new appointments from there.

