

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

<i>Announcements</i>	April 15th Tim HALL	April 22nd Don McKee
<i>Open Prayer</i>	Ken White	Tim Hall
<i>Song Leading</i>	Barry Pritchett	Barry Kingsley
<i>Scripture Reading</i>	Tucker Hall	Ross Cochran
<i>Close Prayer</i>	Bob Burton	Curtis Kingsley
<i>Head Table</i>	Mark Pettit	Quentin Holloway

<i>Assist</i>	Don Kerley	Tate McCoy
	Ben Kingsley	George Hall
	Donnie Bailey	Billy Weeks
	Russell Cochran	Ed Busby
	Ross Cochran	Tom Hall
	John Stephens	Jerry Cole
	Richard Stephens	Richard Bohannon
	Seth Carswell	Billy Green

<i>Usher</i>	M.Wilson D.Kerley	Tu.Hall T.Rochester
	J.Ralston D.Stephens	J.Hall G.Rittenberry
	P.Kingsley N.Weeks	Ry.Cochran C.Cody
<i>Sound Board</i>	William Parker	William Parker
<i>Projector</i>	Jackie Cochran	John Painter
<i>Greeters</i>	Q&J Holloway	C&S Kingsley A.Crow
	S.Norton L.Cantrell	M&R Pritchett
	E&S Busby	J&T Stephens

SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICES

<i>Announcements</i>	Don Kerley	Barry Kingsley
<i>Open Prayer</i>	Rob Burton	Daniel Sisson
<i>Song Leading</i>	Ed Busby	Men
<i>Close Prayer</i>	Marlin Brackett	Benjamin Kingsley
<i>Communion</i>	Mark Pettit	Ken White
<i>Sound Board</i>	William Parker	William Parker
<i>Projector</i>	Jackie Cochran	John Painter

APRIL

<i>Unlock Building</i>	Ken White	Billy Weeks
<i>Lock Building</i>	Don Kerley	Marvin Pritchett

	April 18th	April 25th
<i>Announcements</i>	Daniel Sisson	Quentin Holloway
<i>Song Leading</i>	Zach Pritchett	Marlin Brackett
<i>Prayer</i>	Billy Green	Greg Burrell
<i>Sound Board</i>	Carswell/Parker	Carswell/Parker
<i>Projector</i>		

Please contact Roy Walker, 706-632-7052, if you have a conflict and are unable to serve.

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Week of April 8th

Contribution.....	\$4704
Budget.....	\$6000
Over Year to Date.....	\$5220
Bible Study.....	76
AM Worship.....	188
PM Worship.....	134
Wednesday Evening.....	134

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

Ellijay Church of Christ

Spreading the Good News

April 15, 2012



**Come as a guest,
leave as a friend...**

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. You are always welcome at all of our services. We hope you will stay after services and let us get to know you.

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.

Copies of all sermons from our pulpit are available on CD for \$1.00. The 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.

In Our Prayers

Juanita Bloodworth remains in Fannin Regional Hospital.

Melanie Cantrell continues to be at Northside Hospital Women's Center following surgery for breast cancer.

Zach Pritchett underwent an MRI and spinal tap and waiting on results.

Lamar Gorman is at home after spending several days at Piedmont Mountainside with an infection in his leg. Also, Irene has been suffering with bronchitis.

Larry Cantrell continues to recover from a fall and Genell is having to remain on oxygen at this time.

Kathlene Jones is paralyzed on the right side after suffering a stroke. She has been moved back to Lifecare.

Family & Friends In The Military

Kourtney Bolen, Reid Cochran, Jonathan Hensley, Zach Hill, Stephanie Hunter, Jacob Mahaffey, Patrick Mahaffey, Evan Pankey, Rushton Pettit, William Pettit, Winston Pettit, Travis Sisson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Ken White - 16th
Judy Gibbs - 19th
Debra Bailey - 21st



Attention Secret Sisters: Please remember to leave a name on any gifts left for pickup on the table. There is one bag without a name & has been there for several days.

OTHERS TO REMEMBER

Justin Jones, Vernel Lowman, Eulyeen Callihan, Clay Holloway, Fred & Gladys Holloway, Larry & Genell Cantrell, Elmer LaRue, Jason Baker, A.E. Stephens, Keith Martin, Tia Teague, Loretta Jenkins, Sam May, Kim Cline, Betty Johnson, Julie Weeks, Mary Parker, Butch Davis, James Mullinax, Buddy Atcheson, Vonnie Busby, Judy Thomas, Irene Chancey, Martha Ralston, Freida Watkins, Betty Bevins, Regina Morgan, Shirley Jones, Opal Corbin, Bo Pinson, A.Z. Hall, Chuck Sisson, Christy Messer, Ronnie Messer, Kathleen Jones

OUR CANCER PATIENTS

Martha Rollins, Billy Stells, Treet Tilley, Jewell Green, Mildred Davis, Nancy Lockheart, Lillie Scaglione, Eddie Adams, Connie Stover, Buddy Dove, Rechell Griffith, Mark Hyde, Connie Bishop, Angie Hodge, Margie Blackwell, Bobbie Perdue, Gene Thurman, Calvin Michael Evans, David Ralston, Tressa Carter, Kris Murphy, I da Mae Holloway, Diane Davis, Kim Wiggins

Nursing Home

Pauline Mullinax, Florence Stanley, Milla Turley, Gladys Logan Shultz

I'd do some workday cleaning, but then I'd just have to turn right around and do it again next year. We need some new folks to help this year - Saturday April 21st



APRIL

15th - Gus Cochran's 90th Birthday Party, Blue Ridge Fellowship Hall, 2:00pm.

15th - Third Sunday Singing, Ellijay, 2:30pm

15th - 18th - Gospel Meeting at Central in Dalton.

16th - Georgia School of Preaching class "The Godhead", 6:30pm-8:30pm

17th - Ladies Weekly Bible Study, 9:30am-11am.

18th - New Personal Evangelism class starting. (Really, this time.) Wednesday evenings, 6:30 pm.

21st - Work Day to prepare for our Friends Day.

22nd - Family and Friends Day. Invitation cards are available on the table in the lobby. A menu signup sheet is posted on the board.

22nd - Youth Devo

22nd - 25th - Gospel Meeting and Lectureship at Northside in Jasper and at Mccaysville.

28th - Outdoor Education Day for C-Squad, beginning at 9am. Information is on the bulletin board. For more info, please see Diane or Megan Wilson.

29th - Recognition of Lads to Leader & Leaderette participants.

Congratulations to Butch Jones for 40 years this month of preaching the Gospel. Butch started preaching in Columbus, Georgia, and continued from there to Blue Ridge (Macedonia), Adairsville, and finally, Ellijay, where he and Susan have been for 32 years. Thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord.

How Much I Owe

One of the largest wildfires in California history is the Day fire in Los Padres National Forest in 2006. At that time, it was the sixth-largest fire in California history when measured by acreage. The Day fire started on Labor Day, September 4, 2006, at a campsite in Piru Canyon. It took thousands of firefighters 39 days to contain the blaze. The fire destroyed more than 162,700 acres of land, including eleven structures. Eighteen people were injured in the fire, but thankfully, no one was killed.

Investigations revealed that the fire was inadvertently started by Steven Butcher at his campsite. John Schelbe reported that on November 17, 2008, "U.S. District Judge Valerie Baker Fairbank sentenced Butcher to 45 months in prison and ordered the self-described nature lover to pay the \$101.6 million that it cost to fight the Day fire."

Mark Windsor, who represented Butcher in his trial, stated that the \$101.6 million fine had to be "one of the biggest monetary amounts ever levied against a person."

\$101.6 million is a lot of money, especially if you are homeless, mentally ill, and financially poor – as is Steven Butcher. In 2008, Butcher's only income was \$1,000 a month in Supplemental Security Income. He was ordered by Judge Fairbank to pay \$25 four times a year to Los Padres officials while in prison and \$50 a month after he's released. At this rate, Butcher will have to keep paying over 2 million years in order to pay the fine! *

But Steven Butcher is not the only one with an unthinkable debt. Nor is Steven Butcher the only one who has made some terrible mistakes.

YOU and I have amassed an unthinkable debt due to our sins. It's not because of mental illness, but it is due to wrong decisions that we have made – wrong decisions that have led to sin (see James 1:13-14).

Because of who God is and what He has done for us, you and I are "indebted" to God. We owe Him our love, our loyalty, and our very lives, but when we sin, we fail to meet our obligation. Thus, we are "in debt" to God. Sin is like an unpaid debt, and it is a debt that every one of us owes (Romans 3:23). The debt of sin is so great that none of us can be good enough or do enough good to pay off the debt. We just do not have enough resources to remove the debt that we owe to God.

However, because of His love for us, God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to pay the debt for OUR sin. The Apostle Peter reminded some Christians of the price of their redemption from sin: "Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot" (1 Peter 1:18-19).

The blood of Jesus removes the debt of those who will: place their faith and trust in God (Hebrews 11:6), repent of their sin (2 Corinthians 7:9-10), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized (immersed) in the name of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). The blood of Jesus continues to keep one's record clean as he continues to live for the One who made His redemption possible (1John 1:7)

We don't have enough resources or enough time to ever pay the debt that we owe to God, but God loved us so much that He paid our debt through the GIFT of His Son. In order to have our debts paid, however, we must accept His offer on His terms. Won't YOU?

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