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November 14, 2019

ELDERS:

Tim Bagents
Alan Kaye
Roy Mulkey
Mike Norman
Ted Norton

DEACONS:

Adam Bass
Billy Bush
Allen Clements
John Cole
Michael Crow
Lamon Dees
Ryan Gotkiewicz
Tim Gotkiewicz
Tim Hatch
Steve Housley
Marquez James
Joel Kelly
Andrew Long
Jimmy Mathews
Danny Moore
Lindsey Mulkey
Dean Norton
Randy Porterfield
Steve Sewell
Jeff Simpson

MINISTERS:

Tim Gotkiewicz, Youth & College
David Hester, Education & 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!

—FROM THE ELDERS—

There was a leadership meeting last Sunday Morning, Nov. 10. This included all ministers, deacons and elders. This meeting in November each year is part of the planning process for the following year centered around these 3 items - Involvement, Budget, and Purposing. More about Budget and Purposing later.

INVOLVEMENT this year is being “reinvented” in hopes of making it a Bottom up effort instead of a Top down process as it has been previously, in order to make it more inclusive and manageable, giving everyone the opportunity of which to be a part.

We encourage you to be prayerfully considering your participation and making plans to include yourself in **INVOLVEMENT 2020!** Be in attendance on Sunday morning, December 1st for the **INVOLEMENT 2020** kickoff.

ME & YOU + 1

Budget: **\$13,890.00** Contribution, 11/10: **\$11,847.61** YTD: - **\$5,284.26**
11/10 Bible Class: **154** / AM Worship: **212** / PM Worship: **262** / EMBF: **\$118**

FROM THE MINISTER – STEVE HOUSLEY:

Great Sunday Night. This past Sunday evening's Area-Wide Youth Devotional was the best that Eastern Meadows has hosted. The crowd was one of the best. The singing was some of the best. The preaching was some of the best. If you were not present, see Brandon Baggett's lesson at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xSQawD0812g&feature=em-uploademail>. Just copy the link and paste it to your browser.

David Hester Preaching This Sunday. As we near the end of the year, thinking about the New Year and especially budget and involvement planning, David will be preaching Sunday, emphasizing involvement. His lesson Sunday morning is "Shall Your Brethren Go To War, While You Sit Here?" and the Sunday night lesson is "S-E-R-V-I-C-E." David's lessons will edify and challenge us! Don't miss Sunday!

When should we begin to serve God? I heard this question answered with this question, "When is the best time to plant a shade tree in your yard? The answer? 30 years ago. When is the 2nd best time? NOW." Isn't this true? We can't do anything about 30 years ago. But we can do something about "Now!" Let us determine to truly be God's servants.

Sunday Nights Better

- * Nov. 17, David Hester
- * Nov. 24, Don Williams
- * Dec. 1, Tim Gotkiewicz
- * Dec. 8, Woman at the Well
- * Dec. 15, Back to the Bible, 3A
- * Dec. 22, Back to the Bible, 3B
- * Dec. 29, Down in the Valley

James Berry

1937-2019

Brother James Berry died last Thursday morning, November 7, 2019. The visitation was Sunday afternoon, November 10, followed by the funeral at 2 p.m. at the Eastern Meadows church building. He is survived by his wife Jean, son Wesley and his wife Wilma, three granddaughters, and eight great-grandchildren, four sisters and a brother. The interment was at the Stony Point church cemetery.

Brother James Berry will be remembered as a man who had one central interest and concern most of his life: the Gospel of Christ. He took to heart the great commission. He taught and baptized more than 150 people in his lifetime. Sunday afternoon at the funeral a lady introduced herself to me as someone James baptized in 2003. Immeasurable good was done in his lifetime by his evangelism. James personally knocked on every door in the neighborhoods in which they lived. He believed in giving out tracts. I know that he gave one to my barber!

Brother James Berry was also a man of strong conviction. When he had concern, he spoke up. He studied his Bible, attended lectureships, and read gospel papers. He encouraged others by passing on the gospel papers he read. James was sometimes a man of few words. He was to the point.

James greatest earthly joys were his family. He enjoyed playing the guitar and singing with his wife Jean.

We express our sympathy to James' family. We will all miss him.



FROM THE YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTER – TIM GOTKIEWICZ:

Thank you so much to all who helped with the Area-Wide at Eastern Meadows! It was so encouraging to see the servant attitude displayed by all of you.

This Saturday, November 16th – EMYG Saturday Matinee! Snacks, including popcorn, will be provided

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- **Nov. 16:** Saturday Matinee
- **Dec 8:** Area-Wide Devo @ Walnut St.
- **Dec 27–30:** Exposure Youth Camp

COLLEGE EVENTS:

- **Dec. 16-Jan. 3:** Faulkner Christmas Break

TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

Last week's question: Why did Luke mention Mary called Magdalene, Joanna, and Susanna? **Answer:** They gave Jesus money (Luke 8:2,3)

This week's question: Jesus said (NKJV), "My mother and My brothers are these who hear the word of God and _____." A) Believe; B) Repent; C) Do it



Scripture Reading:

A.M.: Allen Clements

November 17, 2019 / Leading the congregation in:

Main Prayer:

A.M.: Paul Clements

P.M.: Brooks Housley

Closing Prayer:

A.M.: Joel Kelly

P.M.: David Hester

Singing:

A.M.: William Dill

P.M.: William Dill

Security (During Services) - Sunday AM: Danny Moore / Sunday PM & 11/20: Steve Sewell

Security (Building Lock-up After Services): Mike Norman

ANNOUNCEMENTS 11/14/19

SICK: HUNTER TIMBES has pneumonia. WESLEY BERRY, SARAH HOUSLEY, and SHIRLEY HANCOCK are recovering from surgery. Sick at home: JIMMY ALLEN, DON BRANNAN, BARBARA COON, BILL EVANS, MARK EVANS, RAELYNN EVANS, FURTAL FAMILY, MARCIA GRAVES, GAVIN MARKS, THERESA MULKEY, CHARLOTTE PATTERSON, MARSHA SUTTON, and THELMA WOOLFOLK. Continue to remember our members listed on our Sunday-Evening-Evangelism Prayer List. Shut-ins: LANETTE TAYLOR, VIRGINIA EVANS, OPAL SULLIVAN, MARIAN SIKES, MARGARET DAVIS, MARGARET GRAVES, and JAMES BERRY. Battling Cancer: MIKE NORMAN, HOLLY THOMASSON, CHARLES HENDERSON, JAY ROBERTS, ALICE HANDLANG, and DON BRANNAN.

PRAYER REQUEST LIST: (Various Issues): CARSON DAVIS, DEXTER HART III (TRIPP), WAYNE JOHNSTON, JENNY PATTERSON, ERIN FOLDS, and JANE BAILEY. (Battling Cancer): CAROL ANN WOODALL, CHANDRA JOHNSON, JESSE BARRY, KATY PENICK, DEREK MAY, GENE SULLIVAN, WILL HICKS, ANGELA TAYLOR, LANISE KIRK, AMY BERMAN, WENDY GRANT, and MARGAN CARTER. (Other) The SPIRITUALLY ILL—weak and wayward members.

THURSDAY BIBLE CLASS: Today is the last Thursday Bible Class before taking a break for the holidays. Class will resume in January, 2020.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS - 11/10: AM—JANE SEWELL & HANNAH ADAMS; PM—SARA CLEMENTS & LYDIA EGUEBE

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST: The Men's Fellowship Breakfast that was scheduled for this Saturday, Nov. 16, has been cancelled.

2019 THANKSGIVING SERVICE PROJECT: This year Eastern Meadows ladies have adopted six families for Thanksgiving. We will provide all the necessary items to prepare a traditional Thanksgiving meal. Most of our families have four members with one adult and three children. Please choose the items you would like to pro-

vide from the lists available in the LadyBUGS' room. All items need to be labeled with the individual family number. See information for labeling items on the sign-up sheet. Due to lack of storage space, please bring your items on Sunday, November 24. Cold items can be placed in the refrigerator in the Tea Room. ALL ITEMS MUST BE BROUGHT TO EASTERN MEADOWS ON SUNDAY, **NOVEMBER 24**. Delivery will be made Monday, November 25. If you can help deliver items, please see **HALEY STEELMAN** or **PATTY BENSON**. These ladies can also answer any questions you may have. Your support for this outreach project is greatly appreciated.

2019 CHRISTMAS PROJECT: Thank you so much for your participation in our Christmas project this year. It is not too late to have a part in helping provide Christmas for two families this year. If you would like to help, see **ANN EVANS**, **PATTY BENSON**, or **HALEY STEELMAN**. The next phase of this project is shopping and wrapping. If you can shop or wrap, please sign the appropriate list available in the LadyBUGS' room. Details will be announced shortly.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER: Our Annual Christmas Dinner will be Saturday, Dec. 14, 2 PM. Cost is \$15 per person. See **MICHELE BROWN**, **DIANNE HOSKINSON**, or **WILMA BERRY** to sign-up and pay. The deadline to sign-up is Sunday, Dec. 8. Be sure to mark your calendars and make plans to attend!

NOVEMBER STANDBY TEAM - 3 (KELLY)

ELDER OF THE MONTH / ON CALL: The Elder of the Month for November is **MIKE NORMAN**. Contact information for Mike: (334) 306-7583; mikenorman7583@yahoo.com.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE CHANGE

The Wednesday, Nov. 27th mid-week Bible study has been moved to Monday, Nov. 25, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. We will have classes as usual. Please make note of the schedule change.

*“Every **ONE** to his work” (Neh. 4:15).*




2019 LadyBUGS

Ladies Being Useful in God's Service

TOGETHER

- ◆ **Nov. 24:** A Time To Pray, 4:30 PM
- ◆ **Dec. 6:** Ornament Swap @ Jane Sewell's, 6 PM
- ◆ **Thanksgiving & Christmas Service Projects**



Nov. 17 & 24
4:30 PM

Upcoming Events:

- 2019**
- **November 25:** Mid-Week Bible Study, 6:30 PM
- **December 14:** Annual Christmas Dinner, 2 PM
- **December 23:** Mid-Week Bible Study, 6:30 PM
- 2020**
- **February 2:** Faulkner Chorus
- **March 1:** Marriage & Family Day (Dan Wheeler)
- **April 5:** Teaching Rocket Seminar with Michael Whitworth
- **May 3:** Homecoming/Goal Day
- **June 1-4:** VBS
- 2021**
- **March 12-13:** Ladies' Retreat
- 2022**
- **Feb. 11-12:** Marriage & Family Seminar (Glenn & Cindy Colley)