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Billy Bush
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Steve Sewell
Jeff Simpson

MINISTERS:

Tim Gotkiewicz, Youth
& College
David Hester, Educa-
tion & 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!

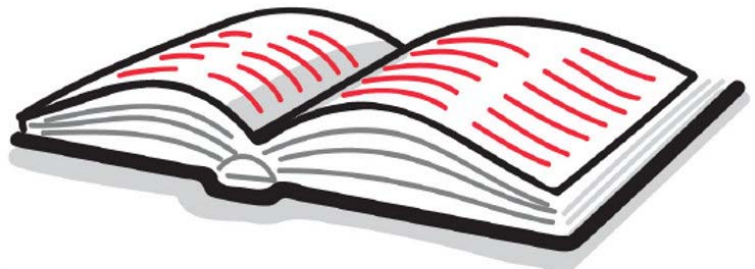
LEADERSHIP EAT & MEET

This Sunday, August 11, 7 / 7:30 AM

There will be a Business Meeting for all the Elders, Deacons, and Ministers this Sunday at 7:30 AM. Breakfast will be served at 7 AM.



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FROM THE MINISTER – STEVE HOUSLEY:

Gabe Statton. Last Thursday evening, I got a call from David Hester. Aaron Gallagher of Gospel Broadcasting Network (GBN; by the way, if you don't know about GBN go to gbntv.org/) had called David and told him that a young man had been in a telephone Bible study with him and was ready to be baptized. Gabe and a few of us came to the building and David baptized Gabe! Gabe is from Montgomery and is a Criminal Justice major at Troy University and works at Bear Lumber Company and Windows USA. He is a busy guy. In his little spare time he enjoys playing guitar (and he has several of them) and exercising at the gym. What a joy to see Gabe want the blessings that only the gospel gives! Get to know Gabe. Give him a big Eastern Meadows welcome.



Gabe Statton

Sunday. Sunday was just an incredible day. The attendance of 230 was far better than usual. We were blessed with many visitors from both in town and out of town. The contribution of \$16,551.72 was one of the best in several weeks/months. The fellowship meal had excellent participation. A significant number of our own folks brought food and stayed. We had *plenty* of food! We had visitors to stay. Truly a great day!

Thank you. Some of our guests Sunday were here because you asked them to come! Thank you so much for asking. And thank you for greeting our visitors and making them feel welcome! You do a very good job of this! I hope that when someone visits, they will want to come back. Your friendliness helps to bring people back. Keep inviting and being friendly. And don't get discouraged when you invite. I invited three families for Sunday. None came. I will not give up. I will keep inviting. You do the same!

Pray. I am requesting you pray for our students and teachers as a new school year begins. Eastern Meadows has about 34 school children/teens and 10 teachers, administration, and staff on the Elementary to High School level. We also have several college students who will soon begin and 10 teachers and staff on the collegiate level. Pray that each of these will have a very safe and productive year. Pray that as they learn they will always be the example of what a Christian ought to be.

"How Rude." Tuesday it was 2 p.m. and I was hungry. I had forgotten my lunch at home so I stopped at a fast foods (this is not an endorsement of a fast food diet!) restaurant that will remain unnamed, but I will say it was *not* my favorite place and most of you know what my favorite place is. There was no one standing at the register for me to order, so there I was alone. Too alone. No worker acknowledged me. No one said, "Welcome to unnamed restaurant." No one said, "I will get to you in a moment." Nothing. So I began to count. The office door opened and I counted two people in the office. I counted seven more behind the counter and in the food prep area. NINE PEOPLE, yet no one took my order. They were talking to each other, but not to me. After standing there for too long for me, I turned to leave, and about that time someone spoke up and said, "May I take your order." For me, this experience was rare. I don't remember when I was so totally ignored. But I thought about church. We should never allow someone to leave thinking "How rude, no one spoke to me or acknowledged me." Actually, I think Eastern Meadows does a pretty good job, and I thank

Sunday Nights Better

- * **August 11**, Baptism of the Holy Spirit
- * **August 18**, Worship in Song
- * **August 25**, Gospel of Luke
- * **Sept. 1**, Tim Gotkiewicz

you! Of course there are those who come in after we start and dart out at the Amen and do not give anyone an opportunity to welcome them. May no one ever leave Eastern Meadows thinking, "How rude."

FROM THE YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTER – TIM GOTKIEWICZ:

YOUTH GROUP PARENTS: There will be a meal and meeting for the families in our youth group on Sunday after our morning worship. The meal will be provided and we will have a meeting to lay out the plans and discuss this coming school year.

Upcoming events:

Aug 11 – Youth Group Family Meal and Meeting, 11:00 AM, Fellowship Hall

Sept 8 – Area-Wide @ Prattville

TIM'S TRIVIA CORNER:

Last week's question: When Jesus was 12 years old, He went to the Passover Feast in Jerusalem with Joseph and Mary. During their return to Nazareth, they discovered that He was missing and searched for Him. When they found Him, He was at the Temple with the teachers both listening to them and _____. Answer: asking them questions (Luke 2:46)

This week's question: Who ruled Rome when John the Baptist began his ministry?

A) Julius Caesar; B) Augustus Caesar; C) Tiberius Caesar



ANNOUNCEMENTS 8/8/19

August 11, 2019 / Leading the congregation in:

Scripture Reading:
A.M.: Troy Steelman

Main Prayer:
A.M.: Joel Kelly
P.M.: Josh Cochran

Closing Prayer:
A.M.: Andrew Long
P.M.: John Cole

Singing:
A.M.: Dean Norton
P.M.: Dean Norton

Security (During Services) - Sunday AM: Danny Moore / Sunday PM & 8/14: Michael Crow
Security (Building Lock-up After Services): David Hester

SICK: LAURIE NORTON is in Baptist East Medical Center. PETE HANKINS is in Baptist East Medical Center. ALICE HANDLANG is in Baptist South Medical Center recovering from surgery. ADDIE BASS is recovering at home from out-patient surgery. LEON JACKSON underwent a heart cath Wednesday, Aug. 7. SHIRLEY HANCOCK continues to recover from surgery. KERRY ROBERTS is scheduled for hip-replacement surgery Aug. 12. LANETTE TAYLOR is scheduled for out-patient surgery Aug. 12. Sick at home Sunday: JIMMY ALLEN, MARVIN DANIEL, LAWSON FUTRAL, MARCIA GRAVES, MARGARET GRAVES, PETE & ELLA HANKINS, WILLIAM KELLY, and MILLIE THOMAS. Continue to remember our members listed on our Sunday-Evening-Evangelism Prayer List. Shut-ins: LANETTE TAYLOR, VIRGINIA EVANS, OPAL SULLIVAN, MARIAN SIKES, and MARGARET DAVIS. Battling Cancer: MIKE NORMAN, HOLLY THOMASSON, CHARLES HENDERSON, JAY ROBERTS, ALICE HANDLANG, and DON BRANNAN.

PRAYER REQUEST LIST: (Health Issues): CARSON DAVIS, WAYNE JOHNSTON, DEXTER HART III, JUSTIN SANKEY, and ANNIE BELLE DUKE. (Battling Cancer): CAROL ANN WOODALL, DENNIS TURNER, TERESA LYNN NICHOLS, JR BRINT, CHANDRA JOHNSON, PATRICIA HARROD-WYROSDICK, MARY ALICE WILHELM, CINDY SCHAEFER, DONALD FUTRAL, JESSE BARRY, DAVID PEEL, DEREK MAY, GENE SULLIVAN, WILL HICKS, and ANGELA TAYLOR. (Other) The SPIRITUALLY ILL—weak and wayward members.

NEW PRAYER REQUEST: Prayers have been requested for ANGELA TAYLOR, sister of Sarita Strother, who is battling breast cancer and currently undergoing a second round of chemo.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS - 8/11: AM—ELVERNICE DEES & CARRIE LONG; PM—KALLIE FUTRAL & BARBARA NORMAN

LEADERSHIP EAT & MEET: There will be a Leadership (Elders, Deacons, & Ministers) Business Meeting this Sunday, Aug. 11, 7:30 AM. Breakfast will be served at 7 by STEVE HOUSLEY and ANDREW LONG.

SHEPHERD'S TALK: The elders will give a brief business and events update immediately following the AM worship service this Sunday, Aug. 11.

YOUTH GROUP FAMILY MEAL & MEETING: There will be a meal and meeting for the families in our youth group this Sunday, Aug. 11, after morning worship. The meal will be provided and then have the meeting to lay out the plans and discuss this coming school year.

TEACHER NEEDED: We are in need of a teacher for the Wednesday evening Teen Bible Class for the quarter starting on September 4th. The curriculum for the class will be the Lads to Leaders Pearls 13-week study on lessons from Luke. The workbook will be provided. Please see David or Tim G. if you can teach this class.

GOSPEL MEETING: There will be a Gospel Meeting at Georgia Road Church of Christ August 11-14 with Bill Watkins speaking. Sunday schedule: Bible Class, 9 AM; Worship, 10 AM & 1 PM; Lunch Break, 11 AM. Monday—Wednesday services, 7 PM.

GOSPEL MEETING: There will be a Gospel Meeting at the Narrow Lane Road Church of Christ August 11-15 with Bishnoo Rampersad speaking on “The Gospel Will Never Lose Its Power” (Romans 1:16-17). Sunday schedule: Bible Class, 9:30 AM; Worship, 10:45 AM & 2:30 PM; Lunch Break; Congregational Singing, 2 PM. Monday—Thursday services, 7 PM.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS JOY: The boxes for Operation Christmas Joy are now available. The boxes and sign-up sheet will be in the LadyBUGS Room. For more information and/or to make a donation for the purchase of candy, please see SALLY GOTKIEWICZ or DIANNE HOSKINSON.

BIBLE HISTORY CENTER TRIP: The Bible History Center in La Grange, Georgia Trip will be Thursday, Aug. 15. The van will depart the church building at 7 AM sharp and return to the building around 3 PM. See David Hester or Michael Crow for more information.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL: Team 2 (BASS) will have a Fellowship Meal Sunday, Aug. 21, after the AM worship service.

AUGUST STANDBY TEAM – 3 (KELLY)

ELDER OF THE MONTH / ON CALL: The Elder of the Month for August is **TIM BAGENTS**. Contact information: (334) 303-3571; tbagents@southlandtransportationgroup.com.

SUNDAY, 8/4: Bible Class—151; AM Worship—230; PM Worship—114; EMBF—\$184



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TOGETHER

♦ **Aug. 12:** Area Wide Ladies' Devo @ Dalraida, 7 PM

YOUTH EVENTS:

Sept. 8: Area Wide Youth Devo @ Prattville

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

Upcoming Events:

- 2019**

 - **October 17-19:** Choosing That Good Part Ladies' Retreat
 - **October 26:** Fall Festival & Trunk-Or-Treat, 3-7 PM
 - **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 15-16:** Marriage & Family Seminar (Dan & Grace Wheeler)
 - **April 5:** Teaching Rocket Seminar with Michael Whitworth
 - **May 3:** Homecoming/Goal Day