

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

August 3, 2014

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Wolff
LORD'S TABLE: David Woody
Marty Leonard
ASSIST: Merrell Story
Daniel Phillips
Will Drewry
Foster Hines
CLOSING PRAYER: Phillip Short
GREETERS: Aubrey & Donna Allensworth
Todd & Lesia Edwards
CARDS: Jag McNulty
Miguel Montenegro, Jr
VISITOR GIFT/ AMY BARLEY
HOSTESSES: LINDA HARNES
SCRIPTURE READER: WILL RATLIFF
Isaiah 40:31

SUNDAY EVENING

August 3, 2014

SONG LEADER: Don Barnett
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Brewer
LORD'S TABLE: Tom Barkley
Albert Hall
CLOSING PRAYER: Brett McGohan

WEDNESDAY EVENING

August 6, 2014

SONG LEADER: Foster Hines
OPENING PRAYER: Clayton Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Gene Blair
DEVOTIONAL: Jarrod DeValle

****Please call the church office at
679-3647 if unable to serve.***

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
EVENING 5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

Elders:

Gene Blair 501-499-5868 Darren Dent 501-581-3052

Deacons:

Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Del Hines 501-733-4645
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909

Minister:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999

Associate/Youth Minister:

Brett McGohan 918-859-0446

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QUESTIONING CHRISTIANITY

A questioning mind is not a spiritual detriment, but a fountain to spiritual growth. Questions are important to Christians for at least two reasons: (1) they enhance learning; and, (2) they build faith. God has answered every spiritual need we have through Jesus (2 Pet. 1:3).

There are many questions asked and answered in the gospel of Luke. Perhaps, this is because Luke is a non-Jewish writer addressing his gospel to the Greeks. The Greek culture enjoyed asking questions to stimulate thinking among the people. Most of us have heard of Socrates, Plato, and other ancient Greek philosophers who had a tremendous impact on the intellectual climate of the pagan world of the first century. Robert Nichols observed that "During several centuries preceding the Christian era the Greek people had the most vigorous intellectual life in the world. Thought about the great questions over which men have always pondered, about the origin and meaning of the world, about God and man, and right and wrong, flourished among them as nowhere else" (The Growth of the Christian Church, p. 4). Some indication of this may be seen in a parenthetical phrase found in Acts 17:21, where Luke explains, "Now all the Athenians and strangers visiting there use to spend their time in nothing other than telling or hearing something new." These people were thinkers. They didn't have many answers, but they sure had a lot of questions! It seems likely that Theophilus, the man to whom the book of Luke is addressed, was of a similar mind-set. Perhaps, this is why the inspired author went to great lengths to present the life of Christ in an orderly and precise manner.

While questions are important, answers are even more important. Keep in mind that the answers to life's most important questions are not found in our institutions of higher learning. In bringing the message of the cross to the Greeks, Paul said that "the world through its wisdom did not come to know God" (1 Cor. 1:21). The ancient Greek philosophers could find no adequate answers to the most important questions because these questions call for spiritual insight. No matter how bright and intelligent a person may be, right answers cannot be found by looking in the wrong places! Jesus asked some of life's greatest questions in the gospel of Luke. By looking at some of these questions and their corresponding answers, we can find answers to life's most pressing spiritual needs. This is what we plan to do for the next several weeks. We will begin next week by asking: "For what is a man profited if he gains the whole world, and loses or forfeits himself?" (Lk. 9:25).

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUP MEETINGS:

Care group 2 (Dent) - August 16th
at the Dent's home beginning at 5pm

Care group 3 (Blair) - August 10th
after evening services
in the fellowship room

Alisa Banks was married July 18th
Here is her new information:

Sean & Alisa Stephens
283 Green Valley Drive
Greenbrier, AR 72058

Alisa's cell: 501-428-9833
Sean's cell: 501-993-2633

OUR RECORD JULY 27, 2014

SUNDAY CLASS:	169
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	200
SUNDAY PM:	101
WEDNESDAY (16th):	VBS

BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$5,195
YTD average:	\$5,257
YTD ahead/behind:	-\$4,273

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Tonya Force is recovering from thyroid surgery at this time - she had a good report from the doctors.

*Fern Chism has been diagnosed with dementia and her immune system is low at this time. Calls would be appreciated rather than visits.

*Verple Baker has asked that we remember her sister-in-law, Barbara Hooten who lives in Guy, in our prayers. Sister Hooten's general health continues to decline and her family is very concerned.

*Tommy Poole, Anna Wolff's uncle, passed away last week. Please keep this family in your prayers.

*Bob Hill, Joanie Hart's uncle and Shelly Dent's uncle, passed away last week also. Please pray for this family as well.

*Steve Harrel will have surgery on August 14th in Chicago.

*Please keep Mack Hankins, Ronnie Spradlin from the Oak congregation, Bob Gossett, Tiffany Hillman's grandmother (Linda Johnson-Frei), Judy Moody's sister (Dorothy Nelson), Stephanie Phillips, the Banks family in your prayers.

*Pick up an extended list of those in need of our prayers on the table in the foyer.

Pantry items for AUGUST:

SPAGHETTI NOODLES

SPAGHETTI SAUCE



BIRTHDAYS

Susan Cole	8/5
Sarah Kunkel	8/6

ANNIVERSARYS

Wayne & Karen New	8/4
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We rejoice at
Cayden & Eli Leonard's
decision to be baptized
into Christ July 24th.
Let's all encourage these
two in their walk with
the Lord.

Start planning now for our fall
GOSPEL MEETING
October 5-8
Ken Burton, from Mountain Home,
will be our speaker

THANK YOU CARD:

Thank you for all the calls, prayers,
cards, and food in our time of loss.
We are very grateful to have such a
loving, caring church family.
Michael Gilbow & family

VISITOR BAGS

August 10th
Edie Singleton & Lesia Edwards



BACK TO SCHOOL BASH!

Sunday August 10th
after evening services
at the Short's home



We are invited to the *Children's Homes, Inc.* **HOMECOMING**

in Paragould, AR
Saturday, September 27th
10:30am - 2:00pm

*Remember to bring your
Change for Children

FOOD COMMITTEE **AUGUST**

Please contact:
Laura Blake & Donna Allensworth
269-6522 454-0595

