

THE TEMPLE IS NOT FOR MAN, BUT FOR GOD

C. GOD HELPS A HUMBLE PEOPLE

God said in 2 Chronicles 7:15 that if the people would humble themselves, seek His face and turn from their wicked ways: His eyes would be open and His ears attentive to their prayers. Solomon demonstrated an understanding of the fact that God helps a humble people in the midst of his prayer in chapter 6. Likewise, as we commemorate what God has done, let us always keep a mindset of humility rather than haughtiness. 1 Peter 5:5 . . . *and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.*

(to be continued)
-- L. C. Hayes



SELF-EXAMINATION

Doctors tell us that we need to examine ourselves. Many tumors can be felt, moles that change shape or color. We need to look and feel in order to catch these problems early. The Bible also teaches self-examination. Paul said, "Examine yourselves" (2 Corinthians 13:5). James writes of looking in a mirror to examine ourselves (1:23). Some questions someone put together for spiritual self-examination include:

1. Am I so CRITICAL that I see only a person's failures and not his/her good points?
2. Am I so CHILDISH that people must handle me gently lest I be offended?
3. Am I MATURE ENOUGH to handle hurts and disappointments without making everyone else miserable?
4. Do I HURT people while boasting, "I believe in saying what I think?"
5. Can I be completely TRUSTED with confidential information?
6. Am I guilty of making SARCASTIC REMARKS about the success of others?
7. Am I big enough to admit when I am wrong, or do I seek to excuse myself by BLAMING OTHERS?
8. Do I excuse my sins, while self-righteously CONDEMNING others?
9. Are others UPLIFTED AND ENCOURAGED through their association with me?
10. Do I follow after peace, or do my words and actions PROMOTE STRIFE?

Bob Plunket, Via Stage Road Church of Christ

UPCOMING EVENTS

OFFERING STATEMENT

If you want to receive your 2024 Offering Statement, please call the church office (731) 422-6341 with correct mailing address. They will be mailed to you.



Learning To Manage Grief

On Saturday, March , a class will meet in the Vance Fellowship Building to offer insights on how to manage and cope with the death of a loved one. This class is open to all (members and non-members). The class will meet from 10:00 am. **Come and receive a better understanding.**

Thursday Morning Bible Class meets at 10 am in the Vance Fellowship Hall. Zoom Meeting ID # 845 419 1034 or call in number is 1 (301) 715 – 8592. Meeting ID 845 419 1034 . YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE FOR MEETING ID and PASSCODE.



The Fifth (5th) Sunday Offering in Support of Southwestern Christian College on **Sunday, March 30th.** There will be an offering box on each of the greeter's table in the foyer to collect your donation. Thanking you in advance for your support. The supporters of Southwestern Christian College. Please make checks to: Supporters of Southwestern Christian or Supporters of Swcc

45th Southeastern Youth For Christ Conference, July 14-18, 2025 on campus of Valdosta State University in Valdosta, GA.

Theme: Keeping Pace with my Potential. The Fight - The Race.- The Faith 2 Timothy 4:3-8.



Registration begin April 1st and end on June 30th. See the youth & Teen Table for more information

EAST JACKSON JOURNAL

Consistently about the business of Bridging Across To Bring Them In, To Build Them Up, To Become Of Benefit All to the glory of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

Matthew 28:18-20

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Lovell C Hayes - Minister

Samuel Jones - Minister

Shobek Dethrow - Minister

Gordon Newsome, Sr Retired



March 09, 2025

A friendly, caring congregation ready to serve and teach the bible to East Jackson and beyond the glory of God.

ELDERS

- Richard DePriest
- Sonny Phillips
- Thomas Pirtle, Jr
- Jerry Truelove

DEACONS

- Culinary Ministry**
- Senior Saints**
- Joe Reeves
- Thomas Curry

- Educational Ministry**
- Bruce Ingram
- Cedric Hampton, Sr

- Inside Facilities Ministry**
- Blanks Branick

- Media Ministry**
- Kenneth Mercer

- Outside Ministry & Transportation Ministry**
- Morris Denwiddie

- Worship Ministry**
- Jackie Dodson, Sr.
- Terry Smith

- Young Adult Ministry**
- Reginald Davis, I

- Ministry Leaders Involvement Ministry**
- Tony Black

- Compassion Ministry**
- Middle Adult Ministry**
- Alexander Smith, III

- Security Team Ministry**
- Patrick Willis

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1 Chronicles 28:6-10; 2 Chronicles 7:14-16

What is our attitude regarding this facility that God has blessed us with? Let's examine some alternatives. Will we have an attitude of Haughtiness or Humility? Make your decision based on the following:

A. GOD'S HOUSE IS A HUMBLE PEOPLE

Anytime a person moves up in the world or gains a higher status or enjoys a greater blessing: there is the temptation to be lifted up with pride. An example of the same in seen in King Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 4:28ff.

But this should not be our attitude regarding this facility that we will celebrate and thank God for in a specific way later this month. We have to always remember that what we have is only because God gave it and who we are or will become is only because God made us and whatever we do, it is only because God does it through us. We must always have a humble heart before God and never be lifted up in selfish pride.

God appeared to Solomon in response to his prayer in beginning in verse 12. God to be with them on this requisite in verses *if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves.* East Jackson: let us stay humble in heart and always give God the credit for our climb upward, honor for what we have and praise for our privileges..

B. GOD HEALS A HUMBLE PEOPLE

When we moved into this new house back in January 2005, we purchased some new furnishings to go into it and we cast out some old furniture that we did not bring in. Spiritually, we must do the same. Look back at 2 Chronicles 29:14. Along with humility, God required repentance. *and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.* God did not want them to take their old hangups into the new house or old transgressions into the new temple or old sins into the new sanctuary. A new house was like having a brand new start. And like them, all of us need to look at ourselves and see what needs to be done before we commemorate so that God will accept our elevation of Him during our celebration for what He has done. Is there anything you need to eliminate before we celebrate? Take it to God for He heals a humble people.

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ORDER OF SERVICES

SONG DIRECTOR
Adrian Steele (AM)
Anthony Truelove (PM)

SCRIPTURE READING

Larry Davis

PRAYER

Blanks Branick

OFFERING & COMMUNION

Alexander Smith, III

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Willie Moore, Jr

BAPTISMAL WORKER

Tony Black



**Sunday Evening
Worship Service
at 5:30 p.m.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Just a Friendly
Reminder:**
Please get your
announcement in
to the **CHURCH
OFFICE** by **Thursday noon.**



Those who make the
announcements on Sunday
find it very difficult to review
and organize their paper
work when several members
are coming up handing
them information that
should be have been turned
in during the course of the
week.

If a member deems
announcement as important
enough to be stressed in the
public service, he or she
should contact one of the
elders.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Our Vision Statement: A friendly, caring congregation ready to serve and teach Bible to East Jackson and beyond to the glory to God.

Church Directory

UPDATE



They will be available on **TODAY** following the Sunday School Hour. Only those who took picture or submitted a picture will be able to receive one. Those who did not take a picture you will be able to purchase one at the cost of \$10.00 each. They will be ready after the March 16th. If you are wanting a extra church directory it will cost \$10.00 as well.



**Senior Saints Monthly
& Luncheon Meeting**
on **Tuesday, March 11th** at 11 am.
It will be **Pot luck Luncheon.**

Parents of College Students:

It's time to submit information for this year's care package. The sheets will be on the youth & teen table and will need to be turned in by March 9th. There will be a tray there to return them. For more information please contact Sis Ericka Bingham or Tilda Pearson.



**Parents of our High School
Senior – Class of 2025**
We need to know who you are, what high school and graduation date as well. Please submit information to the church office.

Flower –Compassion

Ministry will meeting TODAY down front of the auditorium following Sunday School Hour.



MEETINGS IN THE AREAS



Berea Church of Christ in Ramer invites us to attend their **Men's Day** on **Saturday, March 22nd. from 8:30 am to 12 noon.** Theme: **GOD Is Looking For Men 2 Timothy 2:1-7** The facilitator will be Bro. David Jackson.

Quince Church of Christ in Memphis

invites us to attend their **LIVE ACAPPELLA CONCERTS** on **Saturday, March 22nd** at 5:00 pm & on **Sunday, March 23rd** at 9 am Moring Worship at 10:15 am & 2:15 pm. Guest Groups are posted on the bulletin board. Then on **Sunday March 23rd– Wednesday, March 26th** their Spring Gospel Meeting/ Revival Meeting. Guest Evangelist will be Bro. David Wilson of Kings Church of Christ Brooklyn, New York. Nightly service at 7:15 pm



Henderson Church of Christ Forerunner Host Senior Adult Rally
Saturday, March 29, 2025 at 9:30 am. Registration (Light Breakfast). Theme: A Heartfelt Religion. Speaker: Ben Flatt. Program 10 am Lunch will be Provided.



PRAYER LIST

Sis. Virginia Bonds Tomakoa Kirk, Janice Cole, Teriyaki Anderson, Lue Helen Martin, Betty Jones Gwen Ragland, Terry Ragland, Jesse Anderson, Gail Barbour, Marthenia Barbour, Lula Clark, Alsenia Davis-Conner, Ann Cole, Eunice Exum, Jennette Gladney, Ruth Ann Gray, Francheska Grimes, Angela Harvey, Lillie Hines, Elizabeth Harrison, Hattie Johns, Betty Jones, D. Jean Morris, LaGween McDonald, Everjean Parson, Brenda Pearson, Farris Phillips, Helen Pirtle, Nella Ray, Earline Ramson, Barbara Reeves, Loustisha Richardson, Corene Steele, Rosie Trice, Vanessa Truelove, Louvenia Walker, Jacqueline Waller, Barbara Warlick, Bro. JC Cockrell, Lloyd Johnson, Alberts Jeffries, Sr, Roger Bowles, David Greer, Richard McClain, Ozie Pearson, Thomas Pirtle, Jr, George Steele, Daniel Terry, William Kirk are asking for prayers for health, strength and good test results.



Bro Gordon & Sis Mary Newsome , Sr.
Bro. Emmett & Sis Bobbie Guess.
Bro William & Sis Rose Branick,
Bro James & Sis Hazel Ragland are asking for prayers for health and strength.

Larry Jones in Rm A106 of West Tennessee Transition Care. Please pray for health and strength.

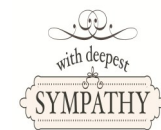
Bro. Gary Jackson is now in Forest Cove Nursing Home Room 115 at 45 Forest Cove.

Sis Brenda DePriest and Christine Trice are asking prays for health and strength on behalf of their brother, **Mr. Benny Trice** who is now in Forest Cove Rehab America Facility.

East Jackson Church Family

Please keep our family members in prayers. Plus those asking for prayers on behalf of their family and friends who are dealing with health and medical issues.

Sis Tina Gray lost her father, **Mr. Dewitt Chism of Jackson.** Services will be on **Wednesday, March 12th** at 11 am at Pleasant Plain Baptist Church. Bledsoe Funeral Home is in charge.



We have a number of members who will be traveling on this weekend. They are asking for prayer for safe travel there and back. **Bro & Sis Kenneth Mercer, Bro & Sis Jackie Dodson, Sr Bro & Sis Sonny Phillips, Bro & Sis Richard McClain and Bro. Sis Frank VanDyke**

NURSES ON CALL FOR MARCH 2025

- 2nd** Brenda Triplett & Stalita Rivers
 - 9th** Debra Reed & Kennedy Johnson
 - 16th** Judy Williams & Rita Gray
 - 23rd** Debreanna Johnson & Johnna Johnson
 - 30th** Angelina Brown & Kim Whitmore
- If you are unable to server please give Sis Judy Williams a call at 731-616-2621*



MARCH BIRTHDAYS 2025

- Terissa Rutherford* 09
- Thomas Brooks* 11
- Johnetta Black* 12
- Sylvia Brown*
- Barbara Farrington-Hess*
- Carol Jones* 13
- Vernisha Pillar*
- Julie Truelove* 14



Arvell & Patsy Wunningham will celebrate their **48th Wedding Anniversary** on **March 12th.**

Charles & Theora Bills will be celebrate their **54 Wedding Anniversary** on **March 13th**

CHURCH CALENDAR MARCH 2025



Mar. 11th Senior Saints Monthly Meeting & Luncheon @ 11 am VFH Pot Luck Luncheon

Mar. 29th-30 Celebration & Commemoration of 20th year in this facility. From & Heartbreak to Hallelujah. Guest Evangelist: Bro. Leroy Butler of Valdosta, Ga.

20th Year Commemoration Service Saturday, March 29th at 4 pm
Join us to be edified by some great gospel singing! Featuring: *East Jackson Acapella Chorus, Ladies of God, Christian Unity Singers and Acapella Praise*



Please remember to set your cell phone to vibrate or silent during the worship services.