

Remember Our Sick

Mary Stamps – Breast cancer has returned. Will begin chemotherapy on January 7th.

Eugene Davis - Is in a lot of pain. Needing prayers.

Earl Whitted – Is out of rehab and staying with Neil and Kelly at this time.

Chandler Mathes – (Charlene Clark’s nieces’ baby) Still in Children’s hospital. Has been moved out of NICU to a room, with plans to go home soon. She weighs 6 lb. 8 oz. now.

Holden Robbins - (Rance Robbins’ grandson) Has water on the brain and has an appointment in January, but doctor is saying that this might fix itself.

Please keep all those with physical and spiritual needs in your prayers daily.

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Legacy Heights: 900 W. 12th St., Russellville, AR 72802

Bonnie Vinson – Room #34

Juanita Whitted – Room #62

Norma Tate Jones – Room #44

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Carl Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Carolyn Bennett, Sandra Boatright, Joyce Briscoe, Nina Cain, Donna Chambers, Cheryl Cathers, Rachel Curtis, Carolyn Dover, Johnny Estes, Yolanda Greenway, Leota Hickey, Joan Hudson, Francis Kennedy, Rose Lee, Letson family, Daniel Loper, Jan Loveless, Mary McAlister, Becky Miller, Kaeli Miller, Julie Moss, Jannie Myers, Glen/Paulette Oakes, John Presley, Liliya Robertson, Melinda Robbins, Rance Robbins, Nina Ryahovskih, Shannon Smith, Tanya Smith, Matt Stepanovich, Michael Tindall, Jon Vance, Justin Vaughn, Marilyn Veasman, Kem Walker, Sandra Walker, Billy Walters, Joyce Walters, and Patsy Wisbrock.

<u>MEETING TIMES</u>	
Sunday Morning Bible Classes 9:45 A.M.	Elders: Allen Veasman 857-2791
Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 A.M.	Sid Womack 967-2367
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.	Chris Loper 747-1639
Ladies’ Tuesday Bible Class 10:00 A.M.	Brent Hottinger 264-5696
Men’s Tuesday Bible Class 10:00 A.M.	Michael Robbins 264-9668
Wednesday Bible Classes 6:30 P.M.	Deacons: Chris Besterfeldt Donny Forehand Rex McDaniel Chris Moss Justin Vaughn Blake Walters Brett Walters
Minister: Micah Williams Church Office: 479-331-3428 Office Hours: M-F 9:00a-1:00p Micah Cell: 479-264-9244 Secretary Cell: 479-747-0908	

December 22nd, 2019

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw
Prayers

Charlie Melton
Charles Davis

Communion

Podium: Brent Hottinger
Serve: Marion Helton
Larry Mahan
Kevin Nordin
Matthew Moss

Scripture Reading
Alan Boatright

Shut-Ins
Marion Helton

Sunday P.M.

Prayers
Donny Forehand
Dan Cloud

December 29th, 2019

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw
Prayers

Doug Cloud
Earl Stamps

Communion

Podium: Brent Hottinger
Serve: Michael Robbins
Paul Helton
Rex McDaniel
Rick Hollis

Scripture Reading
Sid Womack

Shut-Ins
Donny Forehand

Sunday P.M.

Prayers
Gary Williams
Justin Vaughn



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Ralph's Reflections on Christmas

Ready or not, Christmas AD 2019 is upon us! Where has the year gone? An even more relevant question relating to this season of the year is: What does Christmas really mean? Many chalk Christmas up as just another of several holidays toward the end of the year; no different than Thanksgiving or New Year – just another day off work. However, even to the most casual person, Christmas, as the song says, is “the most wonderful time of the year.” So, what makes Christmas so special, so wonderful?

In answer to our question, let me suggest that it is not just the gifts, the gatherings of family and friends, or even that special Christmas meal. As “special” and “wonderful” as these holiday highlights may be, the real meaning of Christmas goes much deeper than lighted and decorated trees, houses, stores or colorful downtown lights. The real meaning of Christmas is captured in the simple words “Jesus is the Reason for the Season.” If Jesus had never been born, Christmas would have never been observed, so Christ’s birth into this world is what Christmas is really all about!

It is sad that His birth would ever be vainly celebrated by non-believers who treat Christmas as just the birthday of a great man who lived hundreds of years ago. Some believers say that since we do not know the actual date of His birth into this world, that it is wrong for us to even celebrate Christmas. I do agree that since the Bible says nothing about Christmas, no

church should bind the day on its members. Whether we choose to celebrate the day and how we choose to do so should always be a matter of personal choice and conscience. God said: he who observes the day, to the Lord he observes it. He who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it (Rom. 14:6).

The only day the Bible specifically speaks of Christians observing is "the Lord's Day" or the first day of the week (cf. Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2). There was a time in my life when I reacted toward those who chose to celebrate Christmas. Today my attitude is one of joy and thanksgiving that Christ serves to remind the world as a whole that we live on a visited planet. As time goes on, our nation is sadly being encouraged to forget God and all He represents. When a day like Christmas or Easter comes, we need to use it to remind ourselves and others of the importance of Jesus and His coming. In doing so, we observe the day to the Lord. So, let me close by wishing all of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Ralph Weinhold
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No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known. – John 1:18

Jesus is God's greatest message. He not only proclaims and declares God's love, mercy, and grace, he has made it known. Only Jesus can display God to us fully, for he is one with the Father. Yet when we "see" Jesus ministering in the Gospels, we see God. If we want to know how God feels about us, all we have to do is look as how Jesus ministers to others. If we want to know what God would do for us, we can notice what Jesus does to bless others. Jesus is our window to the Father's heart. So, as this year winds down, and as you stand in the afterglow of Christmas, why not make a commitment to get to know Jesus better in this coming year by spending more time with Him in the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.) If you do, you will better know God!

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Upcoming Events:

Our next Area Wide Singing Night is December 29th at 6:00 p.m. at the Gravel Hill Church of Christ. Come join us and listen to some beautiful singing.

Elders, Deacons and Minister Meeting
January 5th after evening service.

Men's Business Meeting January 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Ladies' Night will be January 16th at 6:30 p.m. In the fellowship room. Hosted by Charlene Clark and Kelli Hottinger

No Tuesday Morning Men's and Ladies' Classes on December 24th and 31st

Office will be closed December 23rd thru 27th
No bulletin this week

Cleaning Church Building

December 28th
Jamie & Kim Statler

January 4th
Besterfeldt & Horton

Please remember the Russ Bus. If you want to make a monetary donation, please see Amanda Besterfeldt or you can keep bringing items

In Search of the Lord's Way The Search Program can now be accessed any time on their website
@
www.searchtv.org
Phil Sanders
weekly lesson can be heard and seen each Sunday on LR KASN TV 38
@ 7:30 am
DirecTV 307 @ 6:00 am
Dish 42 @ 7:30 am
GBN @ 7:00 pm

December Birthdays

- 21 Doreen Shinn
- 22 Alayna Rains
- 23 Jamie Statler
- 24 Cara Williams
- 25 Amanda Besterfeldt
- 26 Addie Stamps
Sonia Williams
- 27 Jeanne Mahan
Jessica Walters
Talvin Leavell
- 31 Sierra Murphy

January Birthdays

- 01 Billy Walters
- 02 Bailey Jackson
Rileigh Corbin
- 03 Marilyn Veasman
- 06 Shelby Bell
- 07 Chris Moss
Richard Smith
- 09 Micah Williams
- 12 Ian Anderson
- 15 Chris Besterfeldt
Amie Barkley
- 18 Ed Meadows
- 20 Teresa Parker
Patsy Wisbrock
- 21 Bennie Lou Meadows
- 23 Mary Stamps
Johnny Horton
- 28 Mary Ann Cloud
- 30 Melissa McMillian
Shawn Price
- 31 Grayson Hayes

