

**LAST WEEK'S RECORD**

Sunday AM..... 181  
 Sunday PM.....93  
 Sunday Bible Classes.....131  
 Wednesday Night.....101  
 Contribution.....4445

**FAITH FOR TODAY**

Monday—Predicting The Future  
 Tuesday—Comforting A Guilty Conscience  
 Wednesday—The Legality of Adultery  
 Thursday—Don't Eat The Noodles  
 Friday—Is It A Legitimate Sign?

**SERMONS**

AM - "Getting Back To The 'Good Ol' Days" (Malachi 2:17-3:4)  
 PM -James #11: "Controlling The Tongue" (James 3:1-12)

**MISSIONS**

East Tennessee School of Preaching	Jeremy Gillentine
Forkland, AL Church	Murk Thomas
Gray, GA Church	Glen Schliebner
Guyana	Jerry Davidson, Wayne Pruette, Dharmendra Ramgobin
Honduras	Phil Waldron
Hurley Church, Hurley, MS	Steven Lucas
India	Ron Clayton
Indonesia	Colin McKee
Jackson Chapel Church, Leesville, LA	Travis Murray
Philippines	Tomas Lizardo
Philippines & Others	Demar Elam
Romania	Harvey Starling
Tanzania	Brett & Christie Harrison

**THOSE TO SERVE SUNDAY DECEMBER 4**

Song Leader AM Alan Lindsey PM Richard Moore  
 Opening Prayer AM Jed Blackwell PM Larry Harrison  
 Closing Prayer AM Farris Huggins PM Trey Lindsey  
 Scripture Reading AM Thagard Colvin PM Cecil Green  
 Lord's Table AM PM  
 Greg Bryant Monty Russell Richard Moore  
 Ronnie Dixon Cecil Green Harry Smith  
 Eddie Lindsey Clif Green  
 Jon Harrison Larry Harrison  
 Greeters Jody Dillard-Andy Wiggins-Jed Blackwell-Lib Coxwell  
 Ushers Bill Gilder Roy Wilson  
 Nursery AM Patsy Green Crystal Bracewell PM Sandy Skipper Lib Coxwell  
 Sound Room Cecil Green

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**ELDERS**

Thagard Colvin  
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**DEACONS**

Greg Bryant  
 Ronnie Dixon  
 Donald Knox  
 Rick Kyle  
 Monty Russell  
 Kyle Thomasson

**MINISTER**

Eddie Boggess 222-3390

**SERVICES**

Bible Study 9:30 AM  
 Worship 10:30 AM  
 Pew Packers 5:00 PM  
 Worship 5:00 PM  
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 PM

**FAITH FOR TODAY**

Monday-Friday 11:50 AM  
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**ENCOURAGING WORDS**

**Good News:** A couple of months ago, I shared with you some information our congregation is doing by helping with good works in other areas. I want to make that a regular practice. We have gotten several good reports recently that I would like to share with you. For one thing we have heard from **Colin and Ellen McKee** in regard to their good work in **Indonesia**. They report that the church at **Bekasi** has experienced **4 baptisms** and the church at **Suka Baru** has experienced several as well. We also have heard again from **Harvey Starling** regarding work in **Romania**. He reports **4 baptisms** in October and November bringing the total to **21 baptisms!** We have also received a report from **Glenn Schliebner** in **Gray, GA**. He reports a hugely successful September **Gospel Meeting** with **Forest Chapman**. The preparations included a large group from **Fayetteville, GA**, who came to help door knock—inviting people to the meeting and trying to set up Bible Studies. He also reports that the meeting was well-attended with almost 100% attendance from the Gray members each night.

**Refocus:** We live in a stressful world. The world is moving at a faster pace than it ever has. It moves at a much faster pace than most of us can handle. Yet, instead of pacing ourselves, most of us refuse to get off the merry-go-round. We let our lives become so full and hectic it's no wonder we are stressed out. The solution to stress is to refocus in regard to priorities. Life is much simpler than we make it out to be. Our chief purpose is to serve God (Ecclesiastes 12:13). Once we establish that as the top priority in our life, the Lord's will dictates the way the rest of our lives are organized. Part of the Lord's will is slowing down, taking time to reflect, meditate on Him, pray, and even just be still (Psalms 46:10). Read the gospels and notice how much time Jesus spent resting, being still, getting away from the crowds, and praying to the Father. We need to refocus our lives before stress robs us of our peace, our joy, and many other important characteristics that God wants us to possess. *Eddie*

## AND GOD SAID, NO

I ask God to take away my pride  
And God Said, No  
He said, It was not for Him to take away, but for me to give up.

I asked to make my handicap child whole,  
And God said, No  
He said, Her spirit is whole, her body is only temporary

I asked God to grant me patience,  
And God said, No.  
He said, Patience is a by-product of tribulation. It isn't granted, it's earned.

I ask God to give me happiness,  
And God said, No.  
He said, He gives blessings. Happiness is up to me.

I asked God to spare me pain,  
And God said, No.  
He said, Suffering draws you apart from worldly care and brings you closer to Me.

I asked God to make my spirit grow,  
And He said, No.  
He said, I must grow on my own, He will prune me to make me fruitful.

I asked God if He loved me,  
And God said, Yes  
He gave me His only Son who died for me, and I will be in Heaven one day because I believe and obey.

I asked God to help me love others, as much as He loves me.  
And God said, Finally, you have the right idea.

Copied from Evergreen bulletin

"If a man's religion will not take him to church, it certainly will not take him to Heaven."

## NEWS & NOTES

**SICK:** Rebecca Davis has been moved to room 107 at Andalusia Manor. Billy Stokes is at home after several days in Andalusia Hospital. Sonja Godwin is also now at home after spending several days in Andalusia Hospital. We have been asked to add Liam Wilson a 17 month old child who has been diagnosed with cancer to our prayer list. We have several who are sick with colds, etc. Remember all of these, those in nursing homes, our shut ins and all who have asked an interest in our prayers.

**RESPONSE:** Jessica Bryant

**ELDERS MEETING:** The elders are scheduled to meet this afternoon at 3:30.

**LADIES BIBLE CLASS** will meet tomorrow night at the home of Linda Kyle at 6:30. All ladies are asked to bring a dish of food and a Christmas ornament. Niva Harrison will present the lesson and Karen Boggess will do the devotional.

**FRUIT BASKETS** The youth will meet next Saturday morning (December 10) in the annex to do fruit baskets. If you would like to make a donation or know someone you would like to receive one see Greg Bryant.

**AREA WIDE YOUTH DEVOTIONAL** will be next Sunday, December 11 at the Opp congregation.

**THANK YOU** from the family of Ruby Garvin for the kindness show to them during her passing and funeral.

**SYMPATHY** is extended to Audie Thomasson and family in the death of her brother, Aaron Adams. Services will be this afternoon (Sunday) at 2 PM at the Northside Baptist church in Warner Robbins, GA.

**BIBLE CLASSES:** We will be having Bible Classes on Wednesday night.

**DECEMBER PANTRY ITEMS:** soup and peanut butter

"Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on the door forever"