

LAST WEEK'S RECORD

Sunday AM..... 165
Sunday PM.....95
Sunday Bible Classes.....117
Wednesday Night..... 110
Contribution.....5063

FAITH FOR TODAY

Best of . . .

Monday — Dusty the Klepto Cat
Tuesday — Taking on the Giants
Wednesday — Miscommunication
Thursday — Pride in Sin
Friday — That Elusive Virtue

SERMONS

AM - "Why Can't Every Day Be Christmas" Part 1
PM - "Why Can't Every Day Be Christmas " Part 2

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	
Philippines	Tomas Lizardo
Philippines & Others	Demar Elam
Romania	Harvey Starling
Tanzania	Brett & Christie Harrison

THOSE TO SERVE SUNDAY DECEMBER 25

Song Leader AM Donald Knox PM Alan Lindsey
Opening Prayer AM Jon Harrison PM Richard Moore
Closing Prayer AM Lester Thomasson PM Curtis Thomasson
Scripture Reading AM Charles Grantham PM Russell Rigdon
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-Roger LeCompte-Jed Blackwell-Lib Coxwell
Ushers Bill Gilder—Roy Wilson
Nursery AM Andrea Stokes & Kelly Jackson PM Lauren Green & Susan Rigdon
Sound Room —Andy Wiggins

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ELDERS

Thagard Colvin
Charles Thomasson
Curtis Thomasson
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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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*From the staff of
Cedar Grove Church of Christ . . .*

Lee *Eddie*

Susan



PERFECT HOLIDAY GIFTS FOR YOUR CHILDREN

Give the gift of **acceptance**. Teach those around you that they are loved for what they are, not for what they do or even how much they please you. Give this gift with a kiss!

Give the gift of **self-confidence** by helping them understand and accept that no one can be approved of all the time, and that when one encounters disapproval he need not feel immobilized or upset, that he must trust himself, not the opinions of others. Give this gift with a hug!

Give them the gift of **possibilities**. Don't let them label themselves as intellectuals, athletes, little ladies, macho men or whatever. Give them an example of a person who is not slotted into any one compartment and tell them a boy or girl can sew or play football, can cry or be brave, can cut the grass or do the dishes. Give them the gift of the freedom to be anything rather than limit themselves in any way by nonsensical labels and roles. Give this gift with a smile!

Give them the gift of a **life without needless fears** by not being a worrier yourself. Show them that you will tackle problems but that you will not just sit around and fret about them. Encourage them to become doers as well. Give this gift with a laugh!

Give them the gift of **being a person who has a spark and an appreciation for all of life**. Encourage them to be fully alive in every way. Allow them to have adventures, a chance for laughter, fun, creativity. Give them the supreme gift of being able to find happiness in virtually all circumstances. Give this gift as they go out the door.

For all these gift will last forever!

TIPS TO MAKE THE SEASON BRIGHTER

Prepare your soul for the holiday. Spend not so much on gifts that your soul is forgotten.

Don't burden the shop girl, the mailman, and the merchant with complaints and demands.

Give yourself with your gift. This will increase its value a hundred fold, and he who receives it shall treasure it forever.

Do not value gifts received by their cost. Even the least expensive may signify love, and that is more priceless than silver and gold.

Do not neglect the needy. Share your blessings with many who will go hungry and cold unless you are generous.

Keep a child-like spirit. Not until you have become in spirit as a little one are you ready to enter the kingdom of Heaven.

Give Your heart to Christ. Let Him be at the top of your wish list.

Bulletin Digest

NEWS & NOTES

SICK: Ann Thomasson had shoulder surgery at Andalusia Hospital on Friday. Rick Kyle fell and suffered a fracture in the leg and hip joint this past week while skiing in Colorado. He will be on crutches for eight weeks. Their plans are to be back in Andalusia on Monday. Rebecca Davis went home from Andalusia Manor last week. Johnny Powell is in very serious condition. Please add Bud Parker to your prayer list. Please remember in your prayers all of these, those in nursing homes, out shut ins, those who have asked for our prayers, those who have recently lost love ones, those who are sad and lonely this holiday season.

RESPONSE: Christie Bryant

SERVICE TIME CHANGE: Our Sunday evening worship service will be at 2 PM today.

VISITING SPEAKER: Next Sunday James Moore will be speaking to combined classes and preaching at the morning worship service.

SINGING: We will be singing this Wednesday night.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS will meet on Monday night, January 2 at 6:30 in the annex. The ladies are asked to bring soup, salad or a desert. Margie Thomasson will present the lesson and Hazel Williams will do the devotional.

DECEMBER PANTRY ITEMS: Soup and Peanut Butter

On the table in the vestibule are inserts for the church directory that are sized and punched to replace the membership listings in the directories we received a few years ago. There should be enough for all the directories that were distributed. If you have not picked up a copy please do so.

“Christmas is the joy of brotherhood, of giving, of sharing, of lifting, of caring, and of being what Christ wants us to be. It is giving to those who cannot give to us. It is visiting the neglected, lifting the fallen, giving hope to the hopeless, assuring victory to the defeated, living the spirit of good will to all mankind”.