	1/12	1/19	1/26
Call To Worship	David Gulledge	Dave Rogers	David Gulledge
Scripture Reading	Randall Bell	Reggie Graham	Randall Bell
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Jimmy Garner	Rory Bell, Sr.
Prayer	Stan Mitchell	Ron James	Eric Hagin
Preside Lord's Supper	Bill Ruffer	Curtis Hurt	Greg Curtis
Server	Charles Nash	Dennis Etheridge	Charles Nash
Server	Peyton Nash	Anthony Stinson	Peyton Nash
Server	Gayle Pelfrey	Ben Rogers	Gayle Pelfrey
Server	Brian Johnson	Andy Johnson	Brain Johnson
Server	Larry Fields	Bobby Johnson	Larry Fields
Server	Jack Sorrell	Steven Williams	Jack Sorrell
Server	John Mullis	Dale Findley	John Mullis
Server	Steve Hopkins	Robert Johnson	Steve Hopkins
Usher	David Hopkins	Larry Rose	David Hopkins
Sermon	Dave Rogers	David Gulledge	Dave Rogers
Response Elder	Jim Garner	Jim Garner	Jim Garner
Shepherd's Prayer	Jim Garner	Tom Durden	Jim Pelfrey
Evening Worship			
Announcements	Jim Pelfrey	Greg Nash	Tom Durden
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Jimmy Garner	Stan Mitchell
Prayer	Paul Lyons	Anthony Ravenell	Rick Sharpe
Sermon	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers
Lord's Supper	Charles Nash	Andy Johnson	John Mullis
Lord's Supper	Jack Sorrell	Robert Johnson	Steve Hopkins
Prayer	Zeke Poskevich	Anthony Stinson	Keith Killingsworth

Worship Assignment Coordinator for January: Brad Hopkins

Communion Preparation

Jan—Connie Elder Feb-Susie Graham Nursery

12 Amy Nash 19 Katherine Hopkins 26 Charity Nash

Care of Building

1-15 David Hopkins/ Keith Killingsworth 16-31 Eric Hagin/Bill Ruffer

Media Center Helpers

12 Zeke Poskevich 19 & 26 Reggie Graham Feb 2 & 9 Brad Hopkins 16 & 23 Ben Rogers

Wednesday Evening Devotional

15 Paul Lyons 22 Michael Madison 29 Brad Hopkins Feb 5 Robert Johnson 15 David Hopkins 19 Coney Johnson

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Assembly Schedule: Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes 10:00 am Worship Service 5:00 pm Worship Service Tuesday Bible Classes 10 am (September - May)

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7 pm

"REVIVE US AGAIN"

2020 Progressive Meeting February 23 – 27, 2020

> Speaker: Bro. Keith Parker (Hendersonville, TN)

McDonough COC - Sun: 6 PM Revive Us Again

Atlanta Airport Area COC - Mon: 7 PM A Revival Story (Prodigal Son)

Middle Fayette - Tue: 10 AM (Bible study) God's Recipe for Revival (Lunch will be served)

> Favetteville - Tue: 7 PM Revival In The Home

Forest Park COC - Wed 7 PM Revival Begins With Faith

Shannon COC - Thurs: 7 PM Revival Ends In Victory

In SEARCH of the Lord's Way with Phil Sanders

WUPA TV 69, Sunday at 7:30am

Elders

(770) 652-7389 Tom Durden (770) 461-3197 Jim Garner Greg Nash (404) 455-1546 Jim Pelfrey (770) 629-2061

Deacons

Dennis Graham	David Poskevich	
Eric Hagin	Anthony Ravenell	
David Hopkins	David Riley	
Hugh Kelly	Rick Sharpe	
Andy Johnson	Jack Sorrell	
Stan Mitchell		

Our Mission Works

Graham & Elizabeth McDonald - Scotland Scott & Rebecca Shanahan - Italy Raintree Village Children's Home

Records You Made - Jan 5

Bible Classes	102
10 am Worship	183
5 pm Worship	110
Offering	\$9,671.00
Wednesday Bible Study	98



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Some Basic Facts from...Genesis

Genesis – as the name implies – is the book of "beginnings." It records the origin of the physical universe (1:1) and the beginning of plant and animal life on earth (1:11-13, 20-25). Genesis shows us how time came into existence (1:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31) and how time is measured for humanity (1:14-19). In this record we find the beginning of human life (1:26-31 and 2:7-25), the beginning of law (2:15-17), the beginning of temptation and sin (3:1-6), and the beginning of hope and salvation (3:15).

The first descriptions of work and trades are here: Tending the garden, 2:15; farming, 3:17-19 and 4:2: domestication of livestock. 4:2 and 20; musicianship, 4:21; and metalworking, 4:22). The first marriage is here (2:22-25) as is the first perversion of that blessed union (the bigamy of Lamech, 4:19). Genesis tells of the first murder (4:8), the first flood (7:4-12), the first sacrifices offered (4:3-5), and the first case of intoxication (9:20-25). In this book we read of the origin of languages (11:1 and 7-9) and the origins of families (4:1). Here we see the beginning of covenants between God and man; in 9:9-17, the covenant of the rainbow, in 12:1-3, the covenant of Abraham, and in 17:9-14, the covenant of circumcision. The root of the nation of Israel, which would serve as God's conduit to bring the Savior into the world, is here as well (12:3).

The book of Genesis also explains things such as the fossils of sea-creatures found on mountain tops (a consequence of the great flood of Noah's day), the concept of offerings of gratitude (8:20) and of substitutionary sacrifices (22:1-13), and the essence of justice (9:1 -7). Genesis shows us the fundamental character of God (18:25, "shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?") as well as His gracious providence (50:20, "ye meant evil against me, but God meant it for good").

This great book shows us the foundations of human society, of the home, of government, and of civilization. It explains much about WHY we are as we are, about the basic problem we face in this world (sin), and it introduces us to the graciousness of a God Who desires our redemption from sin above all else, so that we can share eternal life with Him. There are rich lessons to be learned here, of Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph; these should be among the most familiar bible records in the mind of the Christian, since Jesus taught so many lessons based on these individuals. Without knowing some of the basic facts of Genesis, a child of God will be handicapped in understanding many new testament passages and lessons!

(**NOTE**: This is the beginning of a series of "Basic Facts" articles that will run throughout 2020.)

WHY ARE WE NOT GROWING?

Noah Icenhour

Numbers have been down. Discouragement has been up. Your congregation started years ago and had initial growth, but now everything seems stagnant. It is like the congregation just comes together as a ritual to complete a checklist each week. Everyone seems happy to be there, but if anything, it is a front. In reality, people are asking, "What is the point?"

Churches across the country are asking this question: "Why aren't we growing?" Usually the answer given by teachers and church leaders is that the community just doesn't want to hear the truth. In other words, we tend to blame the soil that the word of God is planted in. In some cases this may be true; however, it may be wise to examine ourselves.

Could it be that the fault is not all on the soil, but the blame may be on the sowers of the word? Are we completely fulfilling God's role for us as sowers of the word? Or is there something lacking?

In the Bible, we read of a church. This was a church that *grew*. This was the church *that God built*. This is the church *God wants us to be*. In Acts 2:42-27 we read about how the church grew. If we follow this pattern, then our churches will be in the right mindset for growth.

Growing Churches Worship (Acts 2:42-43)

Worship is vital towards our relationship with God. Without it we have no relationship. It is a time where the church can offer up true praise and sacrificial worship to God. "Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire" (Heb. 12:28).

Think about how huge that is. We have the opportunity to come before the God who created everything and offer worship to Him. Notice how the passage says acceptable worship. We must worship God in the way that He wants to be worshiped.

How does your congregation view worship? Is it seen as a task that simply needs to be completed each week? Is it viewed simply as something we have to do? When we come before the throne of God in worship, we must do so with all of our heart. *He accepts nothing less*.

Growing Churches Serve (Acts 2:44-45)

When was the last time you really served someone? Jesus makes it clear that on judgment day,

whether or not we have served on this earth will determine if we go to heaven or hell (Matt. 25:31-46). Serving is not easy to put into practice, because it requires us to put others before ourselves (Phil. 2:3-5). The book of James teaches us that true Christianity involves service and helping those in need.

In Acts 2:44, the Bible says Christians were selling their possessions and giving to those who were in need. That is love. That is how the church needs to be. When the world sees the church that Jesus sacrificed for, they need to see a church that sacrifices! A serving heart can lead so many to Jesus (Matt. 5:16).

Growing Churches Fellowship (Acts 2:46)

Have you ever wondered why God requires us to come together as a church to worship Him? Could we not worship alone in our homes? The reason God designed the church the way He did was so it could be one body, perfectly joined together (1 Cor. 1:10).

We come together so we can lift one another up. We are to "stir one another up in love and good works" (Heb. 10:24). We have one another to lean on, to cry with, to laugh with and to fight alongside of. Whether we are in times of sadness, struggle or gladness, we have each other (Gal. 6:1-2). Next to worship, fellowship with the children of God is one of the beautiful things about being the church.

Do you take advantage of opportunities to grow with other Christians in your congregation? Or does something always come up when you are invited to eat after worship or get together during the week? We need to lean on one another.

Growing Churches Go (Acts 2:47)

When our worship, service and fellowship are what God wants it to be, this next part comes naturally. Jesus has given us a mission to *GO* (Matt. 28:19-20). This is what the 1st century church did and because of their efforts, God added to the church.

If we plant the word and water it, God will give the increase (1 Cor. 3:6). We must go and tell others about Jesus and this beautiful church that He has built. When all of these things come together, growth will follow. The church that goes is the church that grows.

Why isn't your church growing? Is it because the soil is not fertile? It is possible—but there are souls out there that are longing for a relationship with Jesus. They are looking for something more than what this world is offering. It is up to the church that Jesus bled and died for to find them and bring them to Jesus.

Youth Events

(See David Gulledge with any questions)

Jan 12 – Fun Sunday after today the morning service. For kids Aprl 1 tion W

<u>Feb 9</u> - Love Banquet after the PM Service, all adults are invited to join our youth for dinner.

Jan 12 – Fun Sunday after Mar 20 - 22—SOAR - Augusta, sign up

Apri 10 - 12 – Lads/Leaderettes Convention Week-end



2019-2020 Bible Bowl Healthy Snack 1/12 Terri Durden 1/19 Amy Nash 1/26 Tina Russell

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us today. Please stay for a few minutes after worship so we can get acquainted with you, and you with us. **Please complete an Attendance Card**, located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We have an attended nursery and a training/cry room available.

Family Matters

Angels Rejoiced! And so did we, when **Ethan Boelsterli** was baptized into Christ last Sunday morning by David Gulledge! Welcome into the fellowship of the saved, Ethan!

New Member: Kristy Pritchett, daughter of Mike and Regina, let us know last Sunday that she also wants to be identified as a member of the Fayette-ville congregation. Get acquainted with Kristy, and her son Daniel and welcome them!

Our Sick:

Hugh Kelly – Is recovering at home, following shoulder replacement surgery last Wednesday.

David & Jill Nash – David has severe lower back pain due to spinal stenosis and Jill will have a heart catheterization later this month.

Ray Cozart – Is continuing chemo treatments.

RuPearl Sharpe – Is continuing treatments.

Edmund Sauls – (Gail Chapman's father) is doing a little better

Members With Health Issues:

Jim Scoma, Margie Fields, Jill Nash, Mattie Williams, Dawn Cook, Decieta Lyons, Ray Russell, David Riley, Sally Wallace, Mary Lawrence, Kathleen Garner, Lucille Amon, Doris Buckner, Joann Crook, Forest & Burma Chapman, Wayne & Betty Jo Nash, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge, Jim & Sharon O'Brien

Shut-ins:

Ken Baxter, Lillie Walker, Bernice Gillespie, Una Fortson, David Nash, Equillar Butler, Frances Elder, Ruby Fowler and Jane Lankford

Our Missionaries and their families:

Graham & Beth McDonald, Victor & Esperanza González Geronimo, Forest & Burma Chapman & Scott & Rebecca Shanahan.

Others With Health Problems:

Johnnie Ray, Maggie Mills (preacher's wife at Eatonton, GA has Myasthenia Gravis), Ed Hall (Charity Nash's father), Carol Chappell (Estell Higginbotham's sister), Wade Foster, Mindy Sims, Alvin Elder (Decieta Lyons' brother), Mia Marques (Chrystine Fields' mother), Eddie Smith, Michael Williams (Steven's brother), Treston Hamilton (former member), Kelly Stoneheart (Etheridge's daughter), Ashley Johnson (Andy/Linda's dau.-in-law), Robert Martin, Phil Shaw (Catherine Kelly's cousin), Ruby June Cotter (Andrew Dalman's 6 month old cousin), Dennis Hall (Charity Nash's uncle), Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents), Richard Oliver (Brenda Mitchell's stepfather), Lyn Launch & Aden Clarke (Jim & Sharon O'Brien family), Zane Canty (3 yrs. old), Mark Etheridge (Dennis' brother), Marvin Cook (Jean Johnson's brother), Mary Mackie (Linda Johnson's mother), Nelda Hayes (Jack Sorrell's aunt), Nancy Ford (Joann Crook's sister), Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family) and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

(NOTE: Please help us keep this list up-to-date!)



Fayetteville Church of Christ BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, January 13, 2020 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

To schedule an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org..... and enter sponsor code: FCOC

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting redcrossblood.org/rapidpass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

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Calendar



Jan 13 – Red Cross Blood Drive, 3-7pm (Monday afternoon); our goal is **20** units.



<u>Feb 15</u> – Ladies' Day at Fayetteville, Speaker: Becky Blackmon. See Luann Rogers if you would like to help.



Area Events

We want o tank you for the prayers, calls and cards sent to us at the death of our sis-

ter. Your care and support helped us through a difficult time. Sincerely, David & Sue Riley

Area Events:

<u>Jan 25-26</u> – 28th Annual Bible Lectureship, Tara Church of Christ, 20/20 Vision for 20/20

Feb 1 – Men's Growth & Enrichment Seminar, Bremen Church of Christ, Speaker: Allen Webster