

Sunday, December 18	
Greeters	Larry & Kay Little
Bible Reading	Harry James
Devotional Prayer	Kenneth Grover
Song Leader (AM & PM)	Tim Hester
Worship Prayer	Roger Thomas
Lord's Table	
(B) Matt Addison	(J) Paul Rogers
Aaron Fletcher	(O) Danny Standridge
Larry Peebles	James Rogers
Rayford Morgan	Roger McCaghren
Announcements	Larry Little
Dismissal Prayer	Josh Jones
Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday)	
-Streaming	Chris James
-Songs	Mark Biles
-Audio	Rex Free
Prepare Communion	Bertha Nelson-Christie Fletcher
Sunday Evening	
Opening Prayer	Casey Pirtle
Dismissal Prayer	Will Fletcher
Wednesday, December 21	
Song Leader	Jamie Patterson
Closing Prayer	Chuck Cleghorn
Ushers	Sam Scott-Chuck Cleghorn
Lock Building	Jimmy Jones-Nathan Lee

Sunday, December 25	
Greeters	Ken & Bertha Nelson
Bible Reading	Chuck Cleghorn
Devotional Prayer	Paul Gilliland
Song Leader (AM & PM)	Ben Rogers
Worship Prayer	Houston Hutto
Lord's Table	
(B) Jerry Hall	(J) Marl Fuller
Frank Pitts	(O) James Rogers
Brex Fuller	Jimmy Jones
Windell Denney	Bryant Addison
Announcements	Rex Free
Dismissal Prayer	Ken Nelson
Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday)	
-Streaming	Tim Hester
-Songs	Harry James
-Audio	David Scarbrough
Prepare Communion	Bonita Jones-Regina Lee
Sunday Evening	
Opening Prayer	Josh Jones
Dismissal Prayer	Jamie Patterson
Wednesday, December 28	
Song Leader	Sam Scott
Closing Prayer	Larry Little
Ushers	Chris Hood-Matt Addison
Lock Building	Jimmy Jones-Nathan Lee

December 2022

November '22							January '23						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
27	28	29	30				29	30	31				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2 Mark Biles	3 Ladies Brunch Men's Breakfast
4 Midway Devo (Hoods) Cookies With Santa	5 Keslee Addison	6	7	8 Eleshea Jones	9 Phillip & Jan Waldrep	10 Holiday Fellowship
11 Chy Hutto Elders/Deacons Meeting	12 Trent & Anna Hill	13 Bekah Peebles	14 Patty Huskey	15	16 Caroling Lock-in	17 Liz Vandiver
18 Caroline Grover	19 Kenneth & Lori Grover	20 Regina Lee Dwayne & Jannie Williams	21 Alison James Jill Cleghorn	22 Chuck Cleghorn	23 Houston Hutto Sam Carter	24
25 Elders Meeting Card Signing	26 Eulene Logan	27	28 Drake Davis Landon Davis Kelli Barker Sherry Chamberlain	29	30 Ethan Carter Danny & Sabrina Standridge	31 New Year's Fellowship



**THAT THEY ALL MAY BE ONE**

Jesus prayed, “...that they all may be one, as thou, Father, art in me and I in thee” (John 17:20,21). Similarly, Paul instructs, “above all, put on love, which is the bond of perfection” (Col.3:14). We must be “standing firm in one spirit, with one mind” (Phil.1:27).

What are some practical principles which help bind us together as a congregational family? (Last Sunday evening, we noticed some seeds which must be sown for a godly marriage. These seeds likewise must be sown in the church).

God’s children sow personal responsibility. “Each person must bear his own burden” (Galatians 6:5). One of the main responsibilities of every Christian is to help restore brethren “who have been overtaken in a fault” (Gal.6:1-2). Every disciple must be involved in this endeavor. Sowing responsibility means we constantly examine ourselves. Paul instructs elders to “take heed to yourselves” (Acts 20:28; cf. 2 Cor.13:5; I Cor.11:28; Luke 15:17). Sowing responsibility also means we do not blame other people. We must not think – ” “If only this guy was more like this other guy,” etc. Each one of us shall give an account to God personally (Romans 14:10-12).

God’s children sow kindness. “Love is patient and kind” (I Cor.13:4). Kindness involves being honest, friendly, good, generous, merciful and compassionate. It is the opposite of being cold, harsh, hurtful and rude. Our motivation comes from God. “He is kind to the ungrateful and evil” (Luke 6:35). This being the case, we must be kind to everyone. If we are not kind, we are the wrong kind. Kindness means we use our tongues for good, not as weapons or hatchets, which cut deep into another’s soul. The law of kindness is upon our lips (Prov.31:26). Kindness certainly involves courtesy - that is, we habitually say “thank you” to each other; we communicate openly with each other and are pleasant to everyone (cf. I Thess.5:16-17). It involves being slow to anger (James 1:19-21), longsuffering with each other (Eph.4:1-3), putting on “bowels of mercies... humbleness of mind, meekness, forbearing one another, forgiving one another... as Christ forgave you, so also do you. Above all, put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony” (Col.3:12-14).

God’s children sow with the end in mind. The end is judgment day and life eternal. We desire that everyone will get to heaven (I Timothy 2:4). Our goal is to be “heirs together of the grace of life” (I Peter 3:7) and there’s no greater goal. It makes us mission-minded, “striving side by side for the faith of the gospel” (Phil.1:27). This is the first and foremost consideration in how we treat one another.

–Speaking the truth in love (Eph.4:15) David

SICK

- Mike Jones will be having surgery December 22nd.
- Tori Scott had emergency surgery Friday evening. Please keep her in your prayers.

Be of good courage,  
and He shall strengthen  
your heart,  
all ye that hope in the Lord.

Psalm 31: 24

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

**Anna Barker**  
FHU Box 223,  
158 East Main Street, Henderson, TN 38340

**Caroline Grover**  
Box 12477  
915 E. Market Ave.  
Searcy, AR. 72149-2477

**Lauren Hamby**  
U2658 USA 350 Student Center Circle, Mobile,  
AL 36688

**Chandler James**  
1901 5th Ave. E. Apt # 2208,  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

**Ben Rogers**  
Calhoun Community College

Keep Serving

One way to find joy in life, even through our own personal struggles, is to keep serving others. “For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another” (Galatians 5:13). Being one who serves is part of what it means to follow Christ. A life lived by faith is a powerful life of service. A life lived by hope is a positive life (Romans 8:24). Your serving can be improved through the power of love. Genesis 29:20 tells us that love made Jacob’s seven years of service for Rachel seem like only a few days. Love makes service easy and burdens light. Service to God and others, love for God, love for others and love for good things make a person better. Make your life what the Lord wants it to be. Love and serve like you have never loved and served before. Learn to serve now, so that you will be ready to serve around the throne of God for eternity .

– Charles Box

ELDERS

Roger Thomas  
Brent James

MINISTER

David Barker

DEACONS

Benevolence

Deacons: Windell Denney, Sam Scott

Visitations

Deacons: All

Education

Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Houston Hutto

Local Evangelism

Deacons:

Group A—Houston Hutto

Group B—Harry James, Nathan Lee

Missions

Deacons: Larry Little

Youth

Deacons: Matt Addison

Building & Grounds

Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Nathan Lee, Aaron Fletcher

Technology

Deacons: Tim Hester

Finance

Deacons: Harry James

Worship Assignments

Deacons: Matt Adison

Security

Deacons: Sam Scott

Transportation

Deacons: Nathan Lee

25 WAYS TO KEEP CHRIST IN THE CENTER  
OF MY LIFE – Neal Pollard

1. I will absorb myself in the practice of prayer.
2. I will actively practice kindness.
3. I will find someone each day with whom to share Him.
4. I will watch what I allow to grow in my heart.
5. I will consider carefully how what I do affects my influence.
6. I will actively encourage the people I daily encounter.
7. I will assume and look for the best in others.
8. I will nurture a hatred of sin and a love of sinners.
9. I will treat Scripture as a daily nourishment for my soul.
10. I will keep a spiritual song in my heart.
11. I will reflect meaningfully on the price He paid at Calvary.
12. I will guard my tongue.
13. I will think longingly about heaven.
14. I will contemplate ways to be involved in the church’s work.
15. I will His church with a passion (the means the people, too).
16. I will cut out the tendency to rationalize or defend wrongdoing.
17. I will be discerning about what is spiritual and what is worldly.
18. I will grow in my understanding of what true love is.
19. I will humbly acknowledge the greatness and power of God.
20. I will do within all my power to help answer His prayer for unity.
21. I will pursue souls with the same vigor that He did.

I will look for ways to turn the conversation to the spiritual.

I will long for times of worship and devotion.

I will care less and less about my rights, feelings, and desires.

I will think, speak, act, and look more like Him every day.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

From our heart to yours, we hope and pray for everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday season. Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s hopefully provide extra time with family and, perhaps, extra time to prepare for greater service in Christ. Our family plans to be in Texas with Kayla, Sophia and Andrew for the next few days. We are grateful to the elders and to all you brethren for helping us have this time with family. Please pray for everyone traveling during the holidays.

– David

THANK YOU

Christmas caroling and lock-in is an annual time for youth, parents and grandparents to enjoy a unique night of fellowship. Yet, it does not happen by accident. Thank you to everyone who helped and participated this past Friday night. For all involved, may you eventually enjoy a complete recovery. (By the way, we send out a huge -thank you- to Chris, Heather and Kylie Beth for all the planning, time and energy they have put into youth activities this year)!

THE PIT

All of us remember and profit from the account of Joseph in the book of Genesis. We recall the mistreatment he received from his brothers which led to his being cast into a pit. Our little ones are currently studying Joseph in the pit in Bible class. What a wonderful story of redemption, forgiveness and providence! Let’s bring our children to Bible class consistently and impress upon each other the importance of bringing them up in God’s instructions .

Upcoming EVENTS  
Make Plans to Be a Part

- **December 31, New Year’s Fellowship (5-10PM)**