

## ~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

<b>Sunday 1st Service</b> Welcome/ Announcements Scripture / Prayer Song Leader  Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer  Prepare Communion	<b>January 07, 9:00 A.M.</b> Michael Hollis Nathan Bell Russ Baker  Greg Harp Dylan Madden/ Levi Madden Alfred Barnes Larry Richardson  Debbie Richards	<b>January 14, 9:00 A.M.</b> Michael Hollis Larry Richardson Russ Baker  Greg Harp Dylan Madden / Levi Madden Alfred Barnes Nathan Bell  Debbie Richards
<b>Sunday 2nd Service</b> Welcome/ Announcements Scripture/ Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer  <b>Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM</b>	<b>January 07, 11:30 A.M.</b> Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker & Different Leaders Greg Harp Dylan Madden / Levi Madden Alfred Barnes Dylan Madden  <b>January 10, 7:00 P.M.</b>	<b>January 14, 11:30 A.M.</b> Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker Greg Harp Dylan Madden / Levi Madden Alfred Barnes Farron Whisenant  <b>January 17, 7:00 P.M.</b>
Weekly Assembly Schedule 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM - Bible Classes 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM - Worship Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 PM (Some variation may be necessary)		

### “ In Christ Be Free In 2023 ”

<u>What Must I Do To Be Saved?</u>		<u>Record of Attendance</u>	
Realize I am lost	Rom. 3:23	<u>12/31/2023</u>	<u>Total</u>
Hear the Gospel	Acts 15:7	Sun. Bible Study	40
Believe the Gospel	Mk. 16:15-16	Sun. 1st Worship	41
Repent of sins	Acts 17:30	Sun. 2nd Worship	37
Confess Christ	Rom. 10:9-10	Wednesday Evening	20
Baptized to remit sins	Acts 2:38	Contribution	\$3,555.00
Remain faithful	2 Pet. 1:5-11		



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“The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.” Psalm 119:130

## Tara church of Christ

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### SUNDAY

1st Worship 9:00 am  
Bible Class 10:30 am  
2nd Worship 11:30 am

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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## ARE YOU A WORKER FOR THE LORD?

*Ask yourself this question each day:  
What have I done for Jesus today?*



*Feast on the  
of this song : I*

*Lyrics  
want*


*to be a worker for the Lord,  
I want to love and trust His holy word,  
I want to sing and pray and be busy every day,  
In the vineyard of the Lord.*

*I will work, I will pray, In the vineyard, in the vineyard of the Lord.  
I will work, I will pray, I will labor every day in the vineyard*

*of the Lord.*

*I want to be a worker strong and brave,  
I want to trust in Jesus' power to save.  
All who will truly come shall find a happy home.*

**For Christ Do More In  
In 2024**

Our Prayer List		Activities And Events	
<p><b>Doris Pate</b>— is in Grady hospital. She has 3 broken ribs and a broken collar bone and a small brain bleed. She can have visitors. She is in room 10B</p> <p><b>Dixie Harp</b>— was sick most of last weak. She is still very weak.</p> <p><b>Leshon Cheely</b>, friend of Maylene Lamey, has stage 4 cancer. Pray for her son Devon as he cares for her.</p> <p><b>Pat Rainwater</b>, friend of Steve Pollard, has cancer and needs our prayers.</p> <p><b>Harold Williams</b>, is home recovering from hip surgery and having home health care.</p> <p><b>Nancy Whisenant</b>, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p><b>Vera Hannah</b>, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p><b>Marilyn Valentine</b>, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p><b>Frank Johnson</b>, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p><b>Henrietta Jones</b>, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p><b>Deanna Biddulph</b>, sister-in-law of Scott Richards has breast cancer.</p> <p><b>Shannon Deleon</b>, niece of Scott Richards will have brain surgery soon.</p> <p><b>Gainell Green</b>, sister of Willie Green, is at home. She is being taken care of at home.</p> <p><b>Continued Prayer List</b>—Josiah nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friend Pauline Noel, Don Cheek, Sal &amp; Barbara Joseph, Bernice Harris, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison’s mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes.</p> <p><u><b>Send Cards, Make Calls, Show your Love and Care!</b></u></p>		<p><b>Today-</b> 9:00 A.M. 1st morning service.</p> <p><b>Today-</b> Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 10:30A.M.</p> <p><b>Today-</b>11:30 A.M. 2nd service.</p> <p><b>Wednesday night Bible class</b>— 7:00 P.M.</p>	
		<p><b>Continued Prayer List</b></p> <p><b>Havanna Goebel</b>, is still experiencing pain. It was great to hear she is doing better.</p> <p><b>Ericka Lee</b>, Havanna Goebel joyfully reports her daughter, Ericka, is improving. Her tumors have shrunk. God hears our prayers. Cards can be sent to: Ericka Lee, 1030 E. Ocean Blvd, Unit 601 Long Beach, Ca 90802.</p> <p><b>Vera Pollard</b>, daughter-in-law of Paul Pollard and niece of Steve, Donna Williams and Robin Wilson. Vera is improving. Keep this family in your prayers.</p> <p><b>Donald Favor</b>, brother of Havanna Goebel, had a massive heart attack. Prayers are needed.</p>	
		<p><b>Special Thank You!</b></p> <p>Thank you for the calls, text, cards and prayers regarding the loss of our aunt Evelyn King. God blessed her to live 95 years.</p> <p>Thanks again!</p> <p>The Michael Hollis Family</p>	
<p><i><b>Welcome Visitors!</b></i></p>		<p><b>In Search Of The Lord's Way</b> <b>Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM</b></p> <p>01/14 /24 “ God’s Gift Of Love” 01/21 /24 “ Meant For Good” 01/28 /24 “But He Lied”</p>	
			

**ELDERS’ COMMENTS**

The church of Christ has a perfect head and Savior, but the church itself is made of imperfect people. Only by forgiveness through the blood of Christ are we made perfect. Whether as a body, or as individuals, we must seek to grow in the Lord. Spiritual growth requires desire, effort, commitment and time. We must never stop growing and maturing in Christ. Growth takes some longer than others, and some never grow up. God will be the ultimate judge of our growth. Let's strive to be examples of maturity in our relationship with Him. This will help us be mature in our attitude and actions toward one another. When areas of needed improvement are noticed, let's be the first to work toward a solution and the last to criticize. And when criticism is necessary, let's make it constructive and with love.

## PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT IN THE LORD'S WORK (PART 2)

In the first segment of this article last week five biblical reasons for personal involvement in the work of the church were considered. They were... Because we love the Lord. Because it pleases God. Because of the importance of the Lord's work. Because it is good. Because of our influence. Please consider four additional reasons for the importance of personal involvement.

**Because it helps the church.** Every member is important in the work of the church. Scripture emphasizes this fact in numerous passages. (cf. I Cor. 12:14-27; Eph. 4:16) Involvement is necessary if we expect the church to grow. To the extent that each and every member is involved, the church grows and is stronger. Likewise, to the extent that individual members are not involved, the church is weaker and does not grow. Growth comes from activity. Is the church at Tara stronger because of your involvement, or are you contributing to its weakness? Are you a help or a hindrance? These are pointed questions, but they are worthy of our consideration.

**Because it helps me.** Are you spiritually stronger when you are active in the work of the church, or when you are inactive? The answer is obvious. None of us will grow as we should without active service. This certainly is true in the physical realm. Allow your body to become inactive and it grows weaker. The individual members of the human body must be exercised, or else they lose their strength. The Lord's spiritual body, the church, is no different. When a member sits down and does very little or nothing in exercising his spirituality, he becomes weaker, while others, who are working, become stronger. We must exercise ourselves to godliness. (I Tim. 4:7,8) And the work of the church is certainly godly exercise.

**Because it is a guard against apostasy.** Those who are busy serving the Lord, *"being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God"* (Col.1:10) do not leave the church and become unfaithful. It's the lukewarm, indifferent, careless soul whose focus is elsewhere that leaves, simply because of a lack of interest. That is why we are exhorted, *"Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might..."* (Eccles. 9:10) *"And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men."* (Col. 3:23) Faith without works is a dead faith. (James 2:17ff) A dead faith does not last very long.

**Because of the consequences of not being involved.** Some of the lost will not be reached with the Gospel if some of the saved do nothing to reach them. Some of the unfaithful will not be restored if some of the faithful do nothing to win them back. The church will not grow and prosper like it would if all were involved. I will lose my soul if I have no interest, and put forth no effort, in furthering the cause of the Lord. Personal involvement in the Lord's work is most important!

*Richard*

## For Christ Do More In 2024

Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!