

~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

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| <b>Sunday 1st Service</b>            | <b>December 28, 10:00 A.M.</b> | <b>January 4, 10:00 A.M.</b> |
| <b>Welcome ~ Announcements</b>       | Randy Harp                     | Michael Hollis               |
| Opening Prayer                       | Michael Curseen                | Joseph White                 |
| Song Leader                          | Russ Baker                     | Russ Baker                   |
| Preaching                            | Nathaniel Ferguson             | Alfred Barnes                |
| Preside Communion **11:00 **         | Melvin Griffin                 | Randy Harp                   |
| Serving                              | Jack Denney/William Carter     | Jack Denney/William Carter   |
| Closing Prayer                       | Russ Baker                     | Donnell Robinson             |
| <b>Prepare Communion</b>             | Angela Hollis                  | Caryn McCarver               |
| <b>Sunday 2nd Service</b>            | <b>December 28, 11:30 A.M.</b> | <b>January 4, 11:30 A.M.</b> |
| <b>Welcome ~ Announcements</b>       | Michael Hollis                 | Michael Hollis               |
| Opening Prayer                       | Michael Hollis                 | Michael Hollis               |
| Song Leader                          | Randy Harp                     | Russ Baker/Volunteers        |
| Preaching                            | Nathaniel Ferguson             | Alfred Barnes                |
| Closing Prayer                       | Steve Pollard                  | Russ Baker                   |
| <b>Bible Study Evening 7:00 P.M.</b> | <b>December 30, 7:00 P.M.</b>  | <b>January 7, 7:00 P.M.</b>  |



In Search Of The Lord's Way  
Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM  
12/28/2025—"The God of the Bible"  
01/04/2026—"The Work of the Church"  
01/11/2026—"Do Works Matter"  
01/18/2026—"How Jesus Endured"  
01/25/2026—"Do Not Grow Weary"

~~ Enter to Worship — Leave to Serve ~~

| <b>What Must I Do To Be Saved?</b> |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Realize I am lost                  | Rom. 3:23     |
| Hear the Gospel                    | Acts 15:7     |
| Believe the Gospel                 | Mk. 16:15-16  |
| Repent of sins                     | Acts 17:30    |
| Confess Christ                     | Rom. 10:9-10  |
| Baptized to remit sins             | Acts 2:38     |
| Remain faithful                    | 2 Pet. 1:5-11 |

| <b>Record of Attendance</b> |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| <b>12/21/2025</b>           | <b>Total</b> |
| Sun. Bible Study            | 40           |
| Sun. 1st Worship            | 83           |
| Sun. 2nd Worship            | 55           |
| Wednesday Evening           | 23           |
| Contribution                | \$4,821.00   |

# The Tara Beacon

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

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## SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:00 AM  
1st Worship 10:00 AM  
2nd Worship 11:30 AM  
  
WEDNESDAY  
Bible Study 7:00 pm

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## Closing Out 2025

Another year is about to pass into history, which has brought numerous experiences to all of us. Some have been difficult and painful, while others have brought joy to our hearts. What effect will this past year have on the remainder of our lives? What have we learned? How much wiser are we? How much more involved in the church are we? Is our faith greater?

Reflections on this year should motivate us to keep what we have gained spiritually, and in the coming year, regain what we have lost. Very often things of this life are lost forever and never can be replaced. However, in the spiritual realm, all we have to do is start over, and the gain once again will be ours, even in death. (Phil. 1:21)

I challenge us all to make 2026 the best year for our families and for the church at Tara. No one else will do it for us, but Christ will be there to strengthen us for the success we can achieve.

Richard

"The Love of God In '2026 "

## PRAYER REQUEST

**Rosalyn Curseen**— is in ICU at Grady Hospital due to a fall from the attic to the garage floor. She has many broken ribs and a spine fracture. She will not have surgery as originally thought. She has a long road to recovery.

**Maxine Howell**— a former Tara member, recently suffered a stroke. After several days in the hospital, she is now at home with rehab.

**Keith Fort**— a friend of Jack Denney, recently suffered a stroke. Prayers are asked for him.

**Maggie and Patrick Brown**— prayers are requested for the Brown family.

**Michael Curseen**— continues with Infusion Treatments every 3 weeks, for the next 2 years. We need to continue prayers for Michael.

**Henrietta Murphy Jones**— continues to need our prayers for her.

**Brenda Millsap**—has shown improvement with the wound treatments. She is also fighting bronchitis. Continue to keep in prayers. She is the sister of the Pollard's.

**Continued Prayer List:** Billie Pouncey, Archie Robinson, Jimmy Denney, Christian and Cory Curseen, Anthony Newman, Paul Pacchioli, Bill Jones, Havanna Goebel, Marcia Woodbury, Steve Smith, Bernice Harris, Jim and Maxine Howell, Vernetta Jones, Don Cheek, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Vera Pollard, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison's mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes, Erika Lee Havanna's daughter, Erika Lee's father

~~ May We All Encourage One Another ~~

### Elders' Comments

The elders and the Tara church commend Dylan Madden for the most excellent sermon he preached last Sunday. He will never forget it, nor will we. It required several hours of study, but it was worth every minute of preparation. May God bless him in his determination to preach the gospel throughout his life.

The youth of this congregation are a strength to the church. Though few in number, they are excellent examples for all, both young and older. The elders commend them for their dedication and determination to be faithful to the Lord. As we have opportunity, let's all commend and encourage our young people in their Christian walk.

*The Elders*

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

### Activities And Events

Today— 9:00 A.M. Bible Study  
Today— 10:00 A.M. 1st Worship Service  
Today— 11:30 A.M. 2nd Worship Service

**Wednesday Night Bible Class— 7:00 P.M.**

### WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS UPDATE:

**Tuesday—December 30th**—We will have “Prayer Service”, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.. There will be a time set aside to eat. Bring a finger food and place in the teenage class room.

**There is no bible class** on Wednesday the 31st.

**Project Outreach**— The new tracts are available, “The Unity of the Bible” for our outreach program. They are available for you at the security desk. We also have many tracts and booklets in the foyer for your personal or outreach use.

**2026 CALENDARS** ~ The church provides wall calendars for our members and guests each year. They are available in the foyer for your taking and use. Use them to mark your personal and congregational appointments for the coming new year. We also have new Tara pens for you, if you haven't got one, they are at the security desk.

**March 2026**—We need to bring in Items for the homeless bags that we will be putting together. There will be a list on the bulletin board for items needed. We will continue to do this quarterly. Michael Hollis is overseeing this outreach program.

**Zackery Wilson** asked for the prayers of the church last Sunday as he desires to be more faithful in serving the Lord. We rejoice with him in this new commitment and look forward to working with him as we all strive to make the Lord's church at Tara stronger. Zack has leadership qualities that can be a positive influence in this congregation.

### From the Pen of Richard

*Our New Theme for 2026 ...*

# *The Love of God in 2026*

*1 John 4:7-11*

*Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.*

*He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.*

*In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.*

*Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.*

# *The Love of God in 2026*

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