

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

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| <b><u>Sunday 1st Service</u></b>  | <b><u>August 25, 9:00 A.M.</u></b>   | <b><u>September 1, 9:00 A.M.</u></b>   |
| Welcome/ Announcements<br>Scripture / Prayer<br>Song Leader   | Michael Hollis<br>Dylan Madden<br>Russ Baker   | Michael Hollis<br>Dylan Madden<br>Russ Baker   |
| Preside Communion<br>Serving<br>Preaching<br>Closing Prayer   | Michael Curseen<br>Dylan Madden/Levi Madden<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Greg Harp  | Greg Harp<br>William Carter/Jack Denney<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Nathan Bell  |
| Prepare Communion   | Donna Williams   | Donna Williams   |
| <b><u>Sunday 2nd Service</u></b>  | <b><u>August 25, 11:30 A.M.</u></b>  | <b><u>September 1, 11:30 A.M.</u></b>  |
| Welcome/ Announcements<br>Scripture/ Prayer<br>Song Leader<br>Preside Communion<br>Serving<br>Preaching<br>Closing Prayer | Michael Hollis<br>Michael Hollis<br>Russ Baker<br>Michael Curseen<br>Dylan Madden/Levi Madden<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Randy Harp | Michael Hollis<br>Michael Hollis<br>Russ Baker/Volunteers<br>Greg Harp<br>Dylan Madden/Levi Madden<br>Alfred Barnes<br>Steve Pollard |
| <b><u>Wednesday Evening 7:00 P.M.</u></b>   | <b><u>August 28 7:00 P.M.</u></b>  | <b><u>September 4, 7:00 P.M.</u></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)

***“ For Christ Do More In 2024 ”***

### What Must I Do To Be Saved?

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| 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 |

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### Record of Attendance

| <u>08/18/2024</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Sun. 1st Worship  | 47           |
| Sun. Bible Study  | 41           |
| Sun. 2nd Worship  | 47           |
| Wednesday Evening | 19           |
| Contribution      | \$ 4,468.00  |



# The Tara Beacon

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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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#### GOD GRANT ME

The serenity to conquer my foes,  
 To bear the burdens of strife and woes,  
 To understand what life is all about,  
 To love and care without a doubt.

#### GOD GRANT ME

The wisdom to know justice and let it prevail,  
 To grasp understanding to the simplest detail,  
 To share my load of troubles and sorrow,  
 To be filled with joy and hope for tomorrow.

#### GOD GRANT ME

The passion to sympathize with my fellowmen,  
 The courage to never tire, but to understand,  
 The patience to endure the stress and strain,  
 The power to overcome, and the will to sustain.

Juliette Hill



**Alfred Barnes Sr**—is home after a hospital stay from seizures. He is at his daughters recovering, and feels weak,

**Roslyn Curseen**—had a mammogram which discovered a large lump. She revisits the doctor on August 22nd for further diagnosis. Keep Roslyn and Michael in your prayer.

**Angela Hollis**—had tests, last week, and she said she is doing good. She appreciated the prayers for her.

**Quenton Hogan**, Richard Harp's brother-in-law, is having serious health issues in Alabama and needs our prayers.

**Debbie Richards**— has tweaked her knee, but it is some better. Prayers are appreciated.

**Jack Ivey**, nephew of Pollards had surgery due to Appendicitis, at Emory Decatur Hospital. Prayers for healing and recovery are appreciated.

**Havanna Goebel**, continues with pain, Ericka Lee, Havanna 's daughter, continues to deal with her cancer. Her father, Ervin Lee, also has cancer.

**Leshon Cheely**, friend of Maylene Lamy, has cancer.

**Vera Pollard**, family member of the Pollards, suffers from serious health issues.

**Tyler Colgan**—a Christian brother from the Nashville, TN has 2 more weeks of physical therapy at Shepherd Spinal Center. He will then continue therapy at Vanderbilt. They are thankful for our prayers through this difficult time.

**Continued Prayer List:** Veranetta Jones, Josiah, nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friend Pauline Noel, Don Cheek, Donna Taylor, Bernice Harris, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Nathan Bell, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison's mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes, James Pollard, Paul Pollard, Betty Manning, mother-in-law of Jack Denney

**Send Cards, Make Calls, Show your Love and Care!**

## Activities And Events

**Today**— 9:00 A.M. 1st morning service.

**Today**— Sunday Morning Bible Classes 10:30A.M.

**Today**—11:30 A.M. 2nd service.

**Wednesday night Bible class**— 7:00 P.M.

**Aug. 26**— Monday for the Master: First Principles Class @ 7 PM in the home of Henrietta Murphy.

Please see the directory for her address.



For where **two** or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20

### Posted on the Bulletin Board in foyer ...

Addresses of those on prayer list that's not in the directory will be kept updated for those wishing to send cards. Updates will be changed frequently.

Progress has been made since the start of the clean up from the vandalisms, There are several steps that is in the process to get the rest of the repairs done. Windows for the church building are special ordered and takes time to get in and scheduled for install. Other steps after installation will need to be done.



### In Search Of The Lord's Way Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM

8.25.24-- "Heaven"

9.01.24— " Someday I Will"

9.08.24—" The Blood of Christ"

9.15.24—"Gethsemane"

9.22.24—"The Mercy of God"

9.28.24—"Freedom in Christ"

## Elders' Comments

How strong are you? Just as a degree of physical strength is important as we grow older, so is spiritual strength. As Paul was near the end of his most informative letter to the church at Ephesus he wrote, "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might" (6:1). He then proceeded to describe how we can be strong. We tend to become physically weaker as we grow older, but God expects our spiritual strength to increase with age. We have more Bible knowledge, our prayer life is more fervent, our battle with temptation is stronger, assembling with the church is a greater commitment, winning the lost to Christ, especially our own family, becomes more urgent. Do you believe you are stronger in the Lord today than in the past? If not, start a spiritual exercise program today. We all should keep Hebrews 4:1 in mind. "Since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it".

*The Elder's*

*From the Pen of Richard*

# TEST ALL THINGS!

The Bible exhorts Christians to *"Test all things; hold fast what is good"*. (I Thess.

5:21) Another word for test is *"prove"* (KJV) Rather than believing or accepting anything, it should be examined carefully and put to the test. Who would take medicine that has not been tested, or proven to be beneficial? Cars are road tested. Most everything that is manufactured is put through various tests for safety and service. Many fail the test and are recalled. It's no different with spiritual matters. As Christians, we are to *test all things*.

**We must test doctrinal matters.** When Paul preached to the people of Berea they *"searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so"*. *Therefore many of them believed...*" (Acts 17:11,12) Many things are taught that are not scriptural. We must always be concerned with whether the truth is being taught, or whether it's just man's opinion. *"Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God, because many false prophets are gone out into the world"* (I John 4:1)

**We must test God's will.** *"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God"*. (Rom.12:2) God's will for man is good, acceptable and perfect, but we put it to the test when it is applied to our lives. It promises happiness, peace, contentment, patience and hope. These and all blessings come to the person who obeys it and lives by its principles. We do not have to take any man's word for it. We experience it ourselves. However, our minds must be renewed and changed, and so must our lives.

**We must test ourselves.** *"Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves...."* (II Cor.13:5) To be "in the faith" is to be saved... to be in Christ, having obeyed the gospel (Acts 6:7) There is only one faith (Eph.4:5), and only one way to get into the faith. One must believe in and confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Acts 8:37), repent of sins (Acts 17:30), and be baptized into Christ (Gal.3:27). Being in Christ is being in the faith. And then, once in the faith, we must test ourselves to be sure that we *"....continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel..."* (Col.1:23) This testing must be ongoing and never ending.

**We must test our love.** Paul exhorted Corinth in their giving, saying, *"....I am testing the sincerity of your love..."* (II Cor. 8:8) Giving tests the genuineness of love. So does obedience of God's will in every respect. Jesus said, *"If you love Me, keep my commandments"*. (John 14:15) This is the only way we can test our love for the Lord, and this is where many fail the test.

**We must test our work.** *"But let every man prove (test) his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another"*. (Gal.6:4) Our work must pass the test of God's word, not opinion, nor the ideas of man. Only the Scriptures provide the standard by which every believer is to test what he is, what he does, and what he allows, *"that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work"*. (II Tim. 3:17)

*Richard Harp*

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