


~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

<u>Sunday 1st Service</u>	<u>May 4, 9:00 A.M.</u>	<u>May 11, 9:00 A.M.</u>
Welcome ~ Announcements Scripture / Prayer Song Leader	Michael Hollis Patick Brown Russ Baker	Michael Hollis Richard Harp Russ Baker
Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer	Dylan Madden Randy Harp/Greg Harp Alfred Barnes Nathan Bell	Dylan Madden Randy Harp/Greg Harp Alfred Barnes Michael Curseen
Prepare Communion	Donna Williams	Donna Williams
<u>Sunday 2nd Service</u>	<u>May 4, 11:30 A.M.</u>	<u>May 11, 11:30 A.M.</u>
Welcome ~ Announcements Scripture/ Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Preaching Closing Prayer	Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker/Volunteers Dylan Madden Alfred Barnes Levi Madden	Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker Dylan Madden Alfred Barnes Steve Pollard
<u>Bible Study Evening 7:00 P.M.</u>	<u>May 7, 7:00 P.M.</u>	<u>May 14, 7:00 P.M.</u>

 <p>In Search Of The Lord's Way Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM</p> <p>05/04/2025—"Understanding Sin" 05/11/2025—"Where Could I Go?" 05/18/2025—"We Must Know God" 05/25/2025—"What God Has Done"</p>	<p>Weekly Assembly Schedule</p> <p>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)</p>
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~~~ Enter to Worship — Leave to Serve ~~~

| <p><u>What Must I Do To Be Saved?</u></p> <p>Realize I am lost      Rom. 3:23<br/>Hear the Gospel      Acts 15:7<br/>Believe the Gospel      Mk. 16:15-16<br/>Repent of sins      Acts 17:30<br/>Confess Christ      Rom. 10:9-10<br/>Baptized to remit sins      Acts 2:38<br/>Remain faithful      2 Pet. 1:5-11</p> | <p><u>Record of Attendance</u></p> <table> <tr> <th><u>04/27/2025</u></th><th><u>Total</u></th></tr> <tr> <td>Sun. 1st Worship</td><td>31</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sun. Bible Study</td><td>30</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sun. 2nd Worship</td><td>39</td></tr> <tr> <td>Wednesday Evening</td><td>17</td></tr> <tr> <td>Contribution</td><td>\$2,774.00</td></tr> </table> | <u>04/27/2025</u> | <u>Total</u> | Sun. 1st Worship | 31 | Sun. Bible Study | 30 | Sun. 2nd Worship | 39 | Wednesday Evening | 17 | Contribution | \$2,774.00 |
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| <u>04/27/2025</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <u>Total</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                   |              |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                   |    |              |            |
| Sun. 1st Worship                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 31                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |              |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                   |    |              |            |
| Sun. Bible Study                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 30                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |              |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                   |    |              |            |
| Sun. 2nd Worship                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 39                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |              |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                   |    |              |            |
| Wednesday Evening                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 17                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                   |              |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                   |    |              |            |
| Contribution                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | \$2,774.00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                   |              |                  |    |                  |    |                  |    |                   |    |              |            |

# 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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### 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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## The Best Translation



**You are writing a gospel**  
**A chapter each day**  
**By the deeds that you do**  
**And the words that you say.**  
**Men read what you write**  
**Whether faithless or true**  
**Say, what is the gospel,**  
**According to you?**

*"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." Romans 12:2*

**Can Others See Christ Living In You?**

**" CHRIST ALIVE IN '25 "**

## PRAYER REQUEST

**Henrietta Murphy Jones**— had a 2 1/2 hour surgery to remove a mass in her stomach but they were unable to get the cancer. She will have upcoming Chemo and Radiation. Continue to keep Henrietta in your prayers through her continued treatment and her recovery.

**Donna Taylor**— is working on regaining strength. The family requests no calls or visits at this time. Donna loves receiving cards, let us encourage her with many. Continue to keep Donna and family in your prayers.

**Roslyn Curseen**— her surgery has been moved to September. It is great to hear the meds are helping her. Continue to keep Roslyn and Michael in your prayers. Also prayers for the loss of his niece and her husband in a tragic accident. Michaels brother and family needs our prayers as well.

**Brenda Millsap**— had a fall and lost most of the skin on her arm and had several stitches in her hand. She has a trauma wound and will see trauma wound specialist. Prayers are appreciated for her long term recovery. 6092 Prestige Valley Rd., Morrow, GA 30260 (Sister of Donna, Robin and Steve Pollard)

**Bush Denney**— the brother of Jack Denney is battling pancreatic cancer. He was able to have a chemo treatment last week, and will now have them every 2 weeks. Continue to keep Bush and family in your prayers.

**Continued Prayer List:** Merile Lockhart, Steve Smith, Bernice Harris, Jerome Dukes, Jim and Maxine Howell, Vernetta Jones, Josiah, nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friends Pauline Noel and Leshon Cheely, Don Cheek, Donna Taylor, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Quenton Hogan, 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 Ervin Lee

~ Send A Card ~ Make A Call ~

## Activities And Events

**Today— 9:00 A.M.** 1st Morning Worship Service.

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

**Today— 11:30 A.M.** 2nd Worship Service.

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

**Today—** We will have our L.I.G.H.T. Fellowship Meal following the 11:30 Worship Service. We are having potluck for lunch. Come join us for good food and fellowship.

**LADIES**— Tara will host **Ladies' Day** on September 20, 2025. Save the date, add it to your calendar, and pitch in to make this a memorable one for Tara! See Mitzi Barnes to volunteer to help on one or more of the committees.



With Heartfelt Sympathy ..  
Our sympathy is extended to Michael & Rosalyn Curseen in the loss of his niece Elizabeth, and her husband Kwazi. Their lives

were taken when hit by an SUV at a bus stop in Detroit, MI.. They left behind 5 children, ages from 2 years to 15 years old. Keep Michaels brother Albert in your prayers, these children, and this family in prayers. Cards can be sent to: Albert Curseen, 306 Woodberry Place, Jacksonville, N.C. 28540.

*Come unto me, all ye that labour  
and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest.  
Matthew 11:28*

## Elders' Comments

Would those who know you say that you have a friendly spirit? Are you easy to get to know? When visitors come to Tara, do you make an effort to greet them and make them feel welcome and wanted? We all should want them to sense the warm atmosphere of the church and return. Some do and some do not, but the way they are received has much to do with which it will be. That means that we must heartily greet them and not depend on others to do it. Other members also need our smile, a warm handshake or hug, and a moment of our time. Each person, young or older, is to know that we care for them. "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver" (Proverbs 25:11).

*The Elders*

*From the Pen of Richard*

## ARE YOU FLOATING OR SINKING?



Most everyone knows that a cork placed on the top of the water will float on the surface. If it is pressed down ten, fifty, or even a hundred feet below the surface of the water, and released, it will rise again. But those who know say that if it is pressed down two hundred feet, it cannot rise again. The pressure of the water is too great.

So it is with life. The lower a man sinks into the depths of sin, the greater the difficulty he has in rising again. The longer one stays in the depths of sin, the less the probability of his ever rising again. The constant pressure of sin can be so great that it can damage the conscience of a person to the point that he refuses to hear God's call through the gospel, and thus cannot be raised from the depths of sin. Paul wrote of some who would be *"speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron"*. (1 Tim.4:2)

Again, we observe that the earth's gravitational pull keeps us from floating out into space. One can go ten, fifty, or even a hundred miles up into space, and the earth's gravity will pull him back. However, one can go so far that he is beyond the pull of gravity, and thus, float around in space helplessly.

So it is with life. The farther away a man goes from God, the Bible, and the church the greater the difficulty he has of ever returning again. Jesus said that he would draw all men unto himself (John 12:32), and *"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, and I will raise him up at the last day"*. (John 6:44) Yet one can go so far into sin, or error, that God's drawing power (the gospel) loses its effect. The danger is so great that New Testament Christians were warned about it. *"For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened....if they shall fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put him to an open shame"*. (Heb. 6:4-6)

During World War II the pilots of the fighter planes knew how far they could go with their fuel supply and still get back safely to the aircraft carrier. When the fuel was half gone they knew they had to return immediately. If they did not, the point of no return would be reached, and they would crash into the Pacific before they could reach the carrier.

We all know people who are just floating around aimlessly beyond the drawing pull of the gospel. We know those who have sunk so far into the depths of sin that they likely will never rise again. They have passed the "point of no return". Let us all determine such a fate will never happen to us, and use our influence to help those who have strayed from the fold, lest they go too far to get back home.

*Richard*

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