

Sixth Avenue Church of Christ
 1501 6th Ave. S. ♦ Jasper, Alabama ♦ 35501
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Glad Tidings

Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 9:00 A.M.
 Worship 10:00 A.M./1:00 P.M.

Wednesday:

Morning Bible class (Sep-Mar) . . . 10:00 A.M.
 Evening Bible study 7:00 P.M.

Elders: Jimmie Alexander, Billy Davidson, Neil Evans, Danny Latham, Tim Shadix, David Sortino, Charles "Skoot" Wilson.

Deacons: Wayne Brown, Danny Gurganus, Phillip Horton, Danny Hyde, Phillip Jones, Steve Jones, Brack O'Rear, Conard Smith, Gary Taft, Steve Williams, Roger Wilson.

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Works of Evangelism

- ▶ Gus Nichols' School of Biblical Studies
- ▶ Myanmar Bible School
- ▶ "Fishers of Men" Program
- ▶ Tanzania Mission
- ▶ "Seeking the Lost" International Radio
- ▶ Gospel Broadcasting Network
- ▶ Apologetics Press
- ▶ Crossroads C/C (Deaf Ministry)
- ▶ Jamaica Mission
- ▶ Chatom, AL Mission
- ▶ John Hurt's Correspondence Courses
- ▶ World Bible School (correspondence)
- ▶ Vernon & Gertrude Key Memorial Scholarship Fund

Works of Benevolence

- ▶ Childhaven Children's Home
- ▶ Food Pantry; Outreach Center

Works of Edification

- ▶ Daily radio program on WJLX (1240 AM & 101.5 FM) at 8:00 A.M. www.wjlx1015fm.com
- ▶ *The Words of Truth*, a monthly teaching publication reaching over 4,000 families

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Just Because You're Ordinary Doesn't Mean You Get to be Mediocre

Recently I read a story about a preacher who received a call from a man wanting to be a part of "his church." Naturally, the preacher was excited to receive such a call. He listened as the caller began to tell him what he wanted and didn't want to do in the church. Among other things, he didn't want to have to worship every Sunday, attend Bible study regularly, visit the sick, teach, or feel compelled to give a great deal of his money.

As the preacher listened he jotted down the man's desires and, when the man had finished, read the list back to him to ensure its correctness. The caller answered that those were indeed the things he had stipulated. The preacher commended the man for wanting to be a part of the church, but assured him that there was one across town that he was sure the caller would find more to his liking. He gave the caller the address and directions to the building, and wished him well. The caller wrote down the information, thanked the preacher, hung up the phone and hurried to his car to go see his new church home. When he arrived at the address, he found an old abandoned building, boarded up, and falling apart.

One of many lessons that could be learned from this story is the fact that, even though we are all ordinary, it doesn't mean we get to be mediocre. Each has a role to play, duties to perform, commands to keep. No one who claims the name Christian can "sit on the sidelines," be apathetic in service to God, disregard His teachings, and still expect to be pleasing to Him. Jesus asked, "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" (Lk. 6:46). James stated, "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (Jas. 4:17). The Laodiceans were condemned because of their indifference to the Lord's Cause (Rev. 3:4-22).

The bottom line: True Christians are active for the Lord's Cause (cf. Mt. 7:21). They are not pew warmers, fence sitters or idle talkers. They are actively engaged in doing their Lord's bidding because of their love for Him (Jn. 14:15, 21; I Jn. 2:3). They realize that even though they are ordinary people, they do not have the right to be mediocre in their service to God. What would the Lord's church be like if every member of it served as you serve? You may be ordinary, but you can never be mediocre.

————Eddy Gilpin
 (Preacher and elder
 Westside church of Christ, Salem, VA)



FAMILY NOTES

TIME CHANGE FOR AFTERNOON SERVICE FOR WINTER MONTHS

Remember our **Sunday Afternoon Services** will begin at **1:00 p.m.** for the months of **January and February**. Please note this change in our regular schedule.

KIDS' SING

We will have **Kids' Sing** on **Sunday, January 21**, at **1:00 p.m.**, before the **Afternoon Service**. All young people please sit on the front two rows.

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES CLASSES

Lads to Leaders and Leaderettes will meet **Sunday, January 21, 2:00-3:00p.m.** Boys meet in the **Teen Room**, and Girls meet in the **Ladies' Classroom**.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

The **Wednesday Morning Bible Class** will meet on **January 24**, at **10:00 a.m.**, in the auditorium. This class is taught by **Levi Sides** and is open to both **men and women**.

PANTRY

Please remember our **pantry** each week. We give away food **once each month**. Our next giveaway will be **Thursday, January 25, 8:30-10:30 a.m.** We need **NON-PERISHABLE, BASIC FOOD ITEMS**, such as **CANNED VEGETABLES, SOUP, MEAT, & FRUIT; OATMEAL; PEANUT BUTTER, DRIED BEANS**, etc.

FROM THE ELDERS CORNER

ELDERS' MEETING

The **Elders** meet every **1st and 3rd Sundays** in the **Church Office**. If you would like to meet with them at any time, please contact the church office at **384-6446** so that you can be put on the agenda to meet with them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR CONTACT ELDER

If you have an announcement for the **Contact Elder**, please put it **in writing** and give to him **ASAP** before classes begin or **immediately after class**.

GUS NICHOLS'

SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

The **Gus Nichols' School of Biblical Studies Spring Semester** will meet on **Thursday, January 25**.

▶ **A Survey of the Old Testament**—6:00-6:30 p.m.

James Willcutt

▶ **Chapel: Sin and It's Consequences**—

—————6:45-7:15 p.m.

Dick Sztanyo

▶ **Bill Blazer School of Congregational Singing**—

—————7:15-7:25 p.m.

Neil Evans

▶ **Let's Go Visiting For the Church**—

—————7:40-8:30p.m.

Vance Hutton/Levi Sides

There is no cost to attend. For more info, call **Levi Sides, 205-384-6446**.

YOUTH BIBLE BOWL

The **Youth Bible Bowl** will be on **Sunday, January 28, 2:00 p.m.**, at **East Walker Church of Christ**. The scriptures for study are **1 Corinthians 16--2 Corinthians 1-4, NKJV**. Parents, make sure your kids are involved, open to ages **5-20!!** For more info, see **Jonathan Morrison**.

COUNTY WIDE YOUTH DEVO

The **County Wide Youth Devo** will be **Sunday, January 28**, at **East Walker Church of Christ**, following their **afternoon worship service at 4:00 p.m.**

LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES

There will be a **Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes Workday** on **Saturday, February 3, 9:00 a.m.-02:00 p.m.** We will work on **Bulletin Board; Bible Bowl; Puppets; and Scrapbook**. **Lunch** will be provided.

DO YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS??

Do you have an email address? Are you on the Email list at the church office? Please email the office at **sarahcroberts@bellsouth.net**. This is a very effective way to receive lots of useful information.

BABY TEA

All Ladies are invited to a Baby Tea honoring Mollie Bradford and Baby Barrett, on Sunday, February 11, 2:30-4:00 p.m., at the Gathering Place. They are registered at Amazon; Buy, Buy Baby; and Deb & Co. A Sign-up Sheet is in the foyer if you would like to help with the tea.

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Jamie Welborn. He was the brother of Chris (Amy) Welborn, and uncle to Chloe & Cohen (191 Maple Road, Jasper 35501).

GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAIN MARRIAGE RETREAT

The Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat is coming up soon—February 14-18—at the Holiday Inn Conference Center, Pigeon Forge, TN. Call the front desk at 865-428-2700 for reservations and give the three-letter code JCC for the group rate. The guest speakers are B.J. Clarke; Melvin Otey; and Dan Winkler. The early track starts at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday and ends at 3:30 p.m. on Friday. The late track starts at 5:30 p.m. on Friday and ends at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday. The cost is \$50/couple. **Be sure to register soon!** For more info and to register, visit www.smokymountainmarriage.com or see Sarah Roberts.

GOOD SAMARITANS & FOOD PANTRY

All youth, remember to help fill our food pantry. You can bring a pantry item to Bible Class (Sunday and/or Wednesday night) each month! **All youth can participate!!**

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- **January 28—Youth Bible Bowl**, East Walker Church of Christ, 2:00 p.m. Scriptures for study: **1 Corinthians 16—2 Corinthians 1-4 NKJV.**
- **January 28—County Wide Teen Devo**, East Walker Church of Christ, 4:00 p.m.
- **February 10—Little Ladies' Day**, Northport Church of Christ, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided. For more info: 205-792-4933.
- **March 30-April 1—Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes**, Nashville, TN.
- **April 14—Revive 2018**, Old Curry High School, sponsored by Curry Church of Christ, 8:30 a.m. Keynote speaker: Patrick Morrison. For more info: 205-387-7338.

UPCOMING AREA ACTIVITIES:

- **January 21—Preaching the Gospel**, with James Watkins, 6:30 a.m. Dish Network, chan. 267; Direct TV, chan. 376.
- **January 21—Bible Talk**, sponsored by the Fayette Church of Christ, 7:30 a.m. on My Network, Channel 68 WABM; 7:30 a.m. on WCBI Columbus, MS; and 8:30 a.m. on radio AM990. Also, www.bible-talk.org.
- **January 21—Winston County Singing**, Natural Bridge Church of Christ, 2:00 p.m.
- **January 21-24—Grief Seminar**, Midway Church of Christ. Guest speakers: Ron and Don Williams. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 4:00 p.m.; 5:00 p.m.; Monday-Wednesday: 6:30 & 7:15 p.m. For more info: 205-221-2760.
- **January 22—Monthly Preachers' Meeting & Luncheon**, Double Springs Church of Christ, 10:29 a.m. Fellowship meal will be provided.
- **January 24—Wednesday Morning Bible Class**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ, 10:00 a.m.
- **January 25—Gus Nichols' School of Biblical Studies Spring 2018**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ, 6:00 p.m. For more info: 205-384-6446.
- **January 26—18th Annual Singing**, Riverchase Church of Christ, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Refreshments provided. For more info: 205-988-5808.
- **January 27—Men's Day**, Winfield Church of Christ, 10:00 a.m.
- **January 28-31—Gospel Meeting**, Cottondale Church of Christ. Guest speaker: Neal Pollard. Sunday: 9:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; Fellowship Meal provided; 7:00 p.m.; Monday-Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.
- **February 2—11th Annual Acappella Singing**, Deerfoot Church of Christ, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Refreshments provided. For more info: 205-833-1400.
- **February 10—Little Ladies' Day**, Northport Church of Christ, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided. For more info: 205-792-4933.
- **February 14-18—Great Smoky Mountain Marriage Retreat**, Holiday Inn Conference Center, Pigeon Forge, TN. Guest speakers: B.J. Clarke; Melvin Otey; Dan Winkler. For more info: www.smokymountainmarriage.com.

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THOSE TO SERVE

Contact Elder Billy Davidson

WORSHIP A.M.—JANUARY 21

Lead Singing Luke Sortino

Opening Prayer John Welch

Scripture. Leathan Waid

Sermon Matthew Thigpen

Closing Prayer Kody Bradford

WORSHIP P.M.—JANUARY 21

Lead Singing Tyler Morrison

Opening Prayer Roger Wilson

Sermon Matthew Thigpen

Closing Prayer Jake Taft

WEDNESDAY EVENING—JANUARY 24

Announcements Billy Davidson

Lead Singing Danny Gurganus

Prayer Wayne Brown

Invitation Levi Sides

(If unable to serve, please call:
Neil Evans: 221-9229
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VIDEO MANAGERS

JANUARY 2018

Danny Hyde and Mike Tubbs

VAN DRIVERS

JANUARY 21, 2018

Neil Evans (295-8902)

JANUARY 28, 2018

Larry Norris (522-3634)

(If unable to drive, please call:
Bob Roberts: 221-9151 / 388-3152)

GREETERS

JANUARY 21, 2018

Jim & Carol Alexander
Wayne & Peggy Brown
Rick & Vida Kelley

JANUARY 28, 2018

Billy & Penny Davidson
Kyle & Jan Shadix
Levi & Linda Sides

(If unable to serve, please call: Phillip Jones: 384-5268)

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

JANUARY 21, 2018

WORSHIP A.M. Penny Davidson
Ginger Norris
WORSHIP P.M. Gail Sortino
Debra Wells

JANUARY 28, 2018

WORSHIP A.M. Lisa Harris
Sandra Jean
WORSHIP P.M. Tammy Williams
Maggie Guthrie

(If unable to serve please call Sarah Roberts: 384-6446 or 522-3794)