

**ELDERS:**

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	Cell:	Home:
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# A VIEW FROM THE CHURCH OF CHRIST AT SCENIC HILLS

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In the Gospel of John we discover seven "I am" statements from Jesus:

- "I am the bread of life" (John 6:35)
- "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12)
- "I am the door of the sheep" (John 10:7)
- "I am the good shepherd" (John 10:11)
- "I am the resurrection and the life" (John 11:25)
- "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6)
- "I am the true vine" (John 15:1)

In each of these statements Jesus speaks in the present tense - not the past or the future. He says "I am" not "I was" or "I will be."

Too often we leave Jesus in the past or relegate Him to the future because we are too busy with *carpe diem* (i.e. Latin for "seize the day"). We read about Jesus in the Bible and recognize His miraculous abilities, His incredible teachings, and even His sacrificial death. We know that Jesus will judge all of mankind on the last day and that we will have to stand before Him to give an account for our lives. But too often we live today as if Jesus only mattered in the past and he'll only matter again in the future.

Hebrews 13:8 tells us that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever," reminding us that Jesus matters today. He may matter today more than ever because we do not know if tomorrow will come. As James 4:13-14 says, "Come now, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit'; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away."

Let us each make Jesus the Lord of our lives today so we can live with Him tomorrow!

~Kyle Rye~

### New Prayer Requests

**Sharon Blanton's** ablation (heart) has been rescheduled for Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. She will be in the hospital overnight.

Eric Gray's brother, **Brian**, his sister-in-law **Kristy** and niece were in a serious car accident last Sunday. Eric's brother is okay but Kristy is in critical condition in Atlanta, possibly with a broken back. She was to have surgery last Thursday. Tragically his three year-old niece, Helen was killed. (Eric is the youth minister at Creekwood Church of Christ in Mobile.)

**Lois Phillips**, Carolyn Hatton's sister-in-law is in the hospital in Dothan in serious condition with a staph infection. She also suffers from Alzheimer's

### Continue to Remember in Prayer

#### Our Members

Wayne Born, Roger Ellis,  
Carmen and Elizabeth Ferris, Fletcher Hinote,  
Dale Hobbs, Elmer Jensen, Beau Kelley, Verna Mack,  
Jack Moses, Cindy Taylor, Juanita Taylor  
and Brooks & Maxine Ward

#### Our Shut-Ins

Myrtle Potter and Fred Strasser

#### Friends and Family

Barbara Bowen (Jarriel Gardner's mother-on-law)  
Ilene Danley (John Waldroup's mother-in-law)  
Bev Key (Kelly Hinote Key's mother-in-law)  
Harold Moore (friend of Betty Graves)  
Wilma Moring (friend of Betty Brown)  
Jean Parsons (Angie's mother-in-law)  
Emmett Phillips (Betty Brown's brother-in-law)  
Colton Phipps (4 year old friend of Larry Brown)  
Dominique & Carson Whitters (former member & son)

## Week at a Glance

### Sunday

Bible Classes.....	9:00 AM
Morning Worship.....	10:00 AM
Evening Worship.....	6:00 PM

### Ladies Bible Class

Tuesday Mornings.....	10:00 AM
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### Wednesday

Bible Classes.....	7:00 PM
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### Working Women Walking With God

1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month.....	6:30 PM
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### Last Week's Attendance

Sunday Morning Bible Class.....	114
Sunday Morning Worship.....	170
Sunday Evening Worship.....	122
Tuesday Ladies Bible Class.....	5
Wednesday Bible Study.....	130

**The Next Fifth Sunday Service  
Will be observed on  
January 31, 2010**

## Pantry Item for This Week

Our pantry is running short in a few areas. Please consider bringing either of the following...



Condiments

Matthew 25:35

'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in;

## What Must I Do To Become A Christian?

The plan of salvation is given to us in the New Testament. We must:

Hear.....	Romans 10:17
Believe.....	Mark 16:15-16
Repent.....	Acts 17:30
Confess.....	Matthew 10:32-33
Be Baptized.....	Acts 2:38
Live a Christian Life.....	2 Peter 1:4-11, 2:20-22

## Privileged to Serve December 6, 2009

Our apologizes...  
Names of those scheduled to serve was not provided to the office.

### Morning

Welcome & Announcements.....	
Song Leader.....	
Scripture Reading/Opening Prayer.....	
Communion Leader.....	
Communion Servers	
Left Outside.....	
Left Middle.....	
Left Inside.....	
Right Inside.....	
Right Middle.....	
Right Outside.....	
Closing Prayer.....	
Sound/Computer.....	
Greeters.....	
Nursery Attendants.....	Chandra Rigby and Kristen Smith

### Evening

Song Leader.....	
Scripture Reading/Prayer.....	
Closing Prayer.....	
Communion:	
Bread & Offering (left).....	
Cup (right).....	
Sound/Computer.....	

### Wednesday – December 9

Song Leader.....	
Closing Prayer.....	

### Sunday – December 13

Prepare Communion Trays.....	Lori Kelley
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### College Students Who Are Away

Courtney & Michael Andry - University of Florida  
Abby Avery - Florida Gulf Coast University  
Lacey Brown & Kayla Springer - Harding University  
Kristian Gardner - University of South Alabama  
Kristi Kilpatrick - Auburn University  
Savannah Morris - Florida State University

### Pray for Military Personnel Who Are Deployed

Tanya Mixon.....Afghanistan  
Steven Schaff .....flies in and out of Iraq  
Jason Whitson.....Okinawa

### Missions Supported

Franklin County Florida (James Lee)  
Gulf Coast Bible Camp (Lucedale, Mississippi)  
Miami Spanish for Christ (Luis Estrada)  
Pacific Islands Mission Work (Randy English)  
Thailand Mission Work (Kim Voraritskul)

### House to House, Heart to Heart

The latest edition of House to House, Heart to Heart is available at [www.housetohouse.com](http://www.housetohouse.com).

### Children's Homes Supported

Childhaven - Cullman, Alabama  
Christian Home & Bible School - Mount Dora, Florida  
Potter Children's Home - Bowling Green, Kentucky  
Rainbow Omega - Eastaboga, Alabama

### Birthdays This Week



Chandra Rigby (12-07)  
Elizabeth Peters (12-10)  
Jan Born (12-11)  
Barbara Hobbs (12-11)

### Anniversaries This Week



None on record

### Thought for the Day

But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be rooted out of it.

~ Proverbs 2:22~

### Adult Holiday Party

The adult holiday party is scheduled for Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby.

If you are attending, please bring a new (unopened) toy for Toys for Tots and a covered dish to share. The Church will provide the meat.

### Directory Update

Please remove La'Keshia Grace from your directories. She is now attending Olive Manor Church of Christ.

### Forever Young

There will be a Forever Young Christmas Luncheon on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. If you need more information, please see Dicie or Jerry Vincent.

### Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes

There will be a *mandatory* meeting next Sunday for anyone who is going to the Lads to Leaders convention in April. It will be held in the front of the auditorium immediately following the morning worship services.

Adults, if you have not already filled out a registration form, please see Jack for one. They are due at this meeting.

Parents, please check to see if your child has a completed form as well.

Remember that the Bible Bowl teams officially kicked off studying last Wednesday night. Please make every effort to have your child at his/her class each Wednesday.

### New Brother in Christ

Our hearts rejoice with Bubba Born. Bubba was baptized last Monday evening. He is the son of Wayne and Jan and for the time being is staying with them.

### Thank You Note

Kindness, compassion, and generosity are reflections of God's love. You may not realize it, but people like you are rare. Just being around you makes others feel warm and happy.

Thanks for being that way,  
Jan and Wayne Born

## Graduation Announcements

Southern Illinois University Carbondale  
announces that  
Juanita P. Taylor  
is a candidate for the degree of  
Bachelor of Science in  
Workforce Education and Development  
Graduating with honors  
at the Commencement Exercises  
Saturday, December twelfth  
Two thousand and nine  
One o'clock in the afternoon  
Naval Aviation Memorial Chapel  
Naval Air Station Pensacola, Florida  
Reception immediately following ceremony  
McKamey Center (Bldg 634)

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The President, The Faculty and  
The Graduating Class of  
The University of West Florida  
Announce the Graduation of  
Britney Lee Caine  
On Saturday, the Twelfth of December  
Two Thousand Nine  
With a  
Bachelor of Education Degree in  
Elementary Education  
Commencement Ceremonies will be held at  
The Pensacola Civic Center at 9:30 a.m.

## Other Happenings

**The family of Mrs. Helen Arthur would like to**  
Invite you to her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration

Date: Saturday, December 12, 2009

Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Place: Gulf Breeze Church of Christ  
2962 Gulf Breeze Pkwy  
Gulf Breeze FL 32563

Your presence is our honored gift,  
we request you bring no other

**Olive Manor Church of Christ**

End of the Year Christian Gathering

Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Ebonwood Community Center

Tickets are \$10.00 - Sharon has them in the office.

## Youth Ministry

**SNAC:** Our next youth group Devo will be Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at the home of Chandler and Chase Anderson.

**Scavenger Hunt:** Justin needs 3 drivers for the hunt. If you will be able to help him out, please get with him today.

**Holiday Party:** Our annual youth group holiday party will be held on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. It will begin with a video scavenger hunt at 1:00 p.m. and a progressive dinner will follow. We expect to conclude our activities and return to the church building around 10:30 p.m. The cost for this activity will be \$10 per person. Please sign up for this event on Facebook or on the lobby table by Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> so we will know how much food to prepare.

**Birthday Party:** We will honor our December birthdays on Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> following our mid-week service at Starbuck's.

**Exposure:** Exposure Youth Camp (EYC) is the annual Christmas break youth conference we attend in Huntsville, AL. It will take place December 27<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup> and the registration fee is \$100. The registration fee includes your hotel room, meals (supper on Sunday through supper on Tuesday), and a ticket to a hockey game. If you have not paid for Exposure yet please do so immediately.

**Jewels:** Jewels is an annual youth rally hosted at Faulkner University for 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade girls. It will be held January 22<sup>nd</sup> thru 23<sup>rd</sup>. The cost will be \$25 per person. If any girls are interested in this event please let Kyle know by Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.

## College Ministry

**Bible Study:** Due to the holidays, our weekly college Bible study will be postponed until Thursday, January 7, 2010. We will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the U.W.F. Commons on the 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Bible Bowl

Bible Bowl classes (Hebrews) began last Wednesday night. If you are participating, please make **every** effort to attend your class.

