

ELDERS:

	Cell:	Home:
Joe Rigby	393-1959	968-2116
Paul Springer	525-2091	994-6648
Larry Thompson	393-5043	479-4619
Johnny Waldroup	982-5524	995-5161

MINISTER:

	Cell:	Home:
Kyle Rye	207-0089	477-5582

A VIEW FROM THE CHURCH OF CHRIST AT SCENIC HILLS

DEACONS:

	Home:
Darrel Bishop	484-7933
Michael C Brown	686-1364
Jerry Caine	968-5680
Rich Dodd	937-0366
John Loanzon	453-8143
Michael Peters	665-3619
Eric Smith	587-2729
Herb Smith	587-4025

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Sharpen Your Axe

John, a woodcutter, worked for a company for 5 years but never got a raise. The same company hired Bill and within a year he got a promotion. John resented Bill's promotion so he went to his boss to talk about it. The boss said, "You are still cutting the same number of trees you were cutting 5 years ago. We will give you a raise when your productivity increases." John went back to work swinging harder and putting in longer hours but he still wasn't able to cut more trees. So John asked Bill how he managed to cut more trees. Bill answered, "After every tree I cut, I take a break for two minutes and sharpen my axe. When was the last time you sharpened your axe?"

Don't Let Your Fire Burn Out

In the late 1800s, a minister was visiting a prominent citizen in his town when the idea of church membership and involvement came up. "I believe I can be just as good a Christian outside the church as I can be inside it," the man said. The minister said nothing. Instead, he moved to the fireplace, removed one burning coal, and placed it on the hearth. The two men sat together and watched the ember die out. "I see," said the citizen. Just as one ember relies on all the others to keep burning so does a Christian rely on the church to keep his or her fire burning.

One of my greatest concerns for our congregation is the diminishing attendance to Sunday morning Bible classes, Sunday evening worship service, and mid-week Bible study. Our average attendance to all 3 of these services is less than it was in 2009. I want to encourage you, as we start a new quarter, to make improved attendance a new goal for you and your family because the leadership of this congregation wants to ensure that you are sharpening your axe and maintaining your fire.

~ Kyle Rye ~

New Prayer Requests

Jerry Ard's stomach surgery has been rescheduled to sometime in April.

Leilani Porter had surgery again last Thursday. She is now at home.

Juanita Taylor received good results last week from her follow-up visit to M.D. Anderson.

Ben Pennypacker, nine year old friend of the Bishop's, is ill and after several tests, they've been unable to find the source that's making him sick.

Frank Wilson, a friend of Roy Ferris has stage four brain cancer. Roy is asking for prayers for Mr. Wilson.

Chris Ware and **John Garrison**, also friends of Roy Ferris, have been deployed to Afghanistan.

Continue to Remember in Prayer**Our Members**

Roger Ellis, Ken Blanton, Elvia Bolling, Wayne Born, Curtis Gardner, Fletcher Hinote, Dale Hobbs, Beau Kelley, Leilani Porter, Charlotte Quinn, Kyle Rye, Juanita Taylor and Brooks & Maxine Ward

Our Shut-Ins

Elmer Jensen, Myrtle Potter and Fred Strasser

Friends and Family

Ricky Brown (son of Ray and Toni Brown)
Ford Bulger (Sue Smith's father)
Chip Gideons (friend of Eddie & Trish Scull)
Bev Key (Kelly Hinote Key's mother-in-law)
Emmett & Lois Phillips (Betty Brown's in-laws)
Ray Reynolds (Raina Blanton's dad)
Carolyn Walker (Eddie Rhodes' aunt)

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 st Thursday of each month.....	6:30 PM
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Last Week's Attendance

Sunday Morning Bible Class.....	124
Sunday Morning Worship.....	203
Sunday Evening Worship.....	132
Tuesday Ladies Bible Class.....	6
Wednesday Bible Study.....	123

Weekly Budget - \$6,500

**The Next Fifth Sunday Service
Will be observed on Sunday,
May 30, 2010**

Pantry Item for This Week

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



Meals in a box

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 March 7, 2010

Morning

Welcome & Announcements.....	Darrel Bishop
Song Leader.....	John Loanzon
Scripture Reading/Opening Prayer.....	Josh Jennings
Communion Leader.....	Jerry Caine
Communion Servers	
Left Outside.....	Vincent Andry
Left Middle.....	Jeremy Caine
Left Inside.....	Dan Buckner
Right Inside.....	Andy Hinote
Right Middle.....	Jeff Messenger
Right Outside.....	Kameron Grace
Closing Prayer.....	Johnny Waldroup
Sound/Computer.....	Corky Berry/Rich Dodd
Greeters.....	Tammy Criswell/Trish Scull
Nursery Attendants.....	Kristen Smith and Chandra Rigby

Evening

Song Leader.....	John Loanzon
Scripture Reading/Prayer.....	Jeff Whitson
Closing Prayer.....	Neal Tolbert
Communion:	
Bread & Offering (left).....	T.B.A.
Cup (right).....	T.B.A.
Sound/Computer.....	Corky Berry/Paul Springer

Wednesday – March 10

Song Leader.....	Kenneth Elliott
Closing Prayer.....	T.B.A.

Sunday – March 14

Prepare Communion Trays.....	Simone Elliott
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Month of March

Building Lock-up.....	John Loanzon
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College Students Who Are Away

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

Pray for Military Personnel Who Are Deployed

Afghanistan

John Garrison, Tanya Mixson,
Jeff Powell & Chris Ware

Iraq

Chad Corriveau, Philip Lundy and Chris Morgan

Okinawa

Jason Whitson

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 in the lobby or at 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



Joe Rigby (03-07)
Leilani Porter (03-08)
Toni Tillman (03-08)
Alexa Brown (03-10)
Myrtle Potter (03-10)
Larry Brown II (03-13)

Anniversaries This Week



Eddie & Trish Scull (03-07)
Travis & Traci Thompson (03-13)

Children's Egg Hunt

The Stairstackers will have their Annual Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 28th at the church. We will eat lunch and then hunt eggs.

There will be a sign-up sheet for food. Each child should bring 12, filled, plastic eggs.

If you have questions, please see Tracie Sasser or Michelle Glover.

Daylight Savings Time Ends



Next Sunday,
March 14th at
2:00 a.m.

Haiti

\$1,200 was mailed last week to the Haiti Relief Effort. Thanks to those members who donated.

Men's Breakfast

The next men's breakfast will be Saturday at 8:00 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby. We are still in need of a volunteer to serve breakfast for this event. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board next to the restrooms if you are willing to do this.

Softball

If you have signed up to play softball, your registration money (\$60) is now due. Please get your money to Beau Kelley as soon as possible.

Schedule:

Tuesday, March 9

White team @ 6:00 and 7:00

Black team @ 7:00 & 8:00

Tuesday, March 16

Black team @ 7:00 and 8:00

White team @ 8:00 and 9:00

N.E.P. Softball Complex

Schedules are on the table in the lobby.

WWW.God

The next meeting of Working Women Walking With God will be on Thursday, April 1st at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Suzie Waldroup. Please bring a snack to share. There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby.

Thank You Notes

Thank you so very much to all those who came to their Molino house and helped with the move. We could not have done it without you, Andy, Joe, Roger, Kayla, Juanita, Kathleen and Toni. We sincerely love and appreciate our Christian family. Please come see Brooks and Maxine in their new home - dad is stocking up on new jokes and tall tales, as he and one of the residents are already trying to put together a new comedy act!

In Christian love:

Brooks and Maxine Ward
Jeff and Kay Whitson
David and Carol Hamilton

Their new address and phone numbers are in the online directory

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the Care package!!!! I am definitely enjoying all the things in the package. Once again I thank you and God Bless!!!!

In Christ,
Kristian Gardner

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the wonderful care package you sent me. It makes me smile to know how much you all love and care about me. It's things like the care package that brighten my week! I love and miss you all!

In Him,
Savannah Morris
Hebrews 13:2

Other Happenings

Elders & Deacons Workshop
Leonard Street Church of Christ
April 9 - 10

Flyers have been placed in your mail slots

Thought for the Day

'Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.'

Hebrews 10:25
KJV



Youth Ministry

Birthday Party: Our monthly birthday party for March will take place on Wednesday, March 17 following Bible study. The location is yet to be determined.

Area Wide Devo: Our next Area Wide will be at the Regency Church of Christ in Mobile on Sunday, March 21. Dinner will be served at 5:00pm and worship at 6:00pm. The bus will leave at 3:30pm.

College Ministry

Bible Study: Our weekly bible study will meet on Thursday night's at 7:00 p.m. in room 272 of the U.W.F. Commons.

Service Project: On Saturday, March 20 our college ministry will spend the day (9:00am-5:00pm) volunteering at the Habitat for Humanity Restore. If you are interested in joining this effort please contact Meagan Baker.

Lads to Leaders Work Schedule

Today

Puppets - 1:00 - 2:30
Song Leading - 2:30 - 3:30
Debate & Banner - 3:30 - 4:30
Bible Bowl - 4:30 - 5:30

March 14th

Puppets - 1:00 - 2:30
Speech - 2:30 - 3:30
Debate & Scrapbook - 3:30 - 4:30
Bible Bowl - 4:30 - 5:30

March 21st

Puppets - 1:00 - 2:30
Song Leading - 2:30 - 3:30
Debate & Banner - 3:30 - 4:30
Bible Bowl - 4:30 - 5:30

Ladybug Day



Saturday, March 20, 2010
There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby for those young ladies who are going to participate. There's also one to sign if you will be attending.

If your daughter is participating in Ladybug Day, please see Kristen Smith as soon as possible.