



HAMILTON CHURCH OF CHRIST

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October 2, 2022

Reading: Matthew 13:33

Family Matters

In Our Prayers



BIRTHDAYS: Oct 2 - 8

- 10/2 Betty Godsey
- 10/2 Eric Wiginton
- 10/4 McDavid Franks
- 10/7 Calvalene Seely



ANNIVERSARIES:

- 10/4 Bobby & Joan Boyett
- 10/5 Ric & Jane Chambless

Singing with Burleson at Maywood Christian Camp

Our monthly first-Sunday singing will be at Maywood tonight, October 2nd at 6:00pm. We will be joined by the Burleson congregation and plan to have a fellowship together as well. Please plan to bring soups, sandwiches, and/or desserts. This will be a great night of singing and fellowship together!

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Lads to Leaders Remind

Please text @lads2023 to 81010 to join this year's L2L Remind group for all info for the 2023 conven-

Communion Leaders

- 10/2 Jeff Goff
- 10/9 Ryan Hollingsworth
- Sun. AM Welcome**
- 10/2 Elvis Bailey
- 10/9 Steve Miller

PROOF OF OUR LOVE

Classes.....	140
A.M. Worship.....	182
P.M. Worship.....	85
Wed. Bible Class.....	107
2022 Budget.....	\$9,800.00
2022 Average.....	\$8,847.31
Contribution.....	\$7,692.36

Van Roberts (Judy Roberts' son)
Kristi White, Tupelo hospital
Bobby Harrison, cancer/surgery scheduled for Nov. 9th
Ginger Avery, surgery at MD Anderson
Linda Real
Ann Metcalf
Teresa Rutherford, Frank's sister
Dorsey & Ola Traw
Rita Gilmore, surgery on Oct. 12th
Betty Green
Please also remember those who are homebound, taking treatments and recovering: Kathy Pickard, Dale Davis, Emily Ritchie, Ethan Shotts, Geneva Williams, Dan & Jeanne Grace, Jett & David Jewell, Millard & Margie Mays, Lauriann Maxwell, Shirley Marcum, Grace Hanford **Local Nursing Home:** Ora Gilmore, Leslie Pearce, Judy Roberts; **Russellville Health Care:** Bobbie West; **Country Place:** Marie Hargett, Betty Godsey

Prayer Leaders for Oct. 2

- AM**
 Open - Greg Brumley
 Close - Doug Gober
PM
 Open - Paul Logan
 Close - Ty Kerr



The two pictures above are from the Preachers' Luncheon hosted by our congregation on Monday, September 26. Joey Sparks is shown speaking to the group. Twenty-five church leaders were present from sixteen congregations. Thanks to our ladies who hosted the meal.

Order of the Service

- Jesus Loves Me #810 (1, 3, 4)
- We Will Glorify the King of Kings #738 (1, 3, 4)

WELCOME

- The Old Rugged Cross #645 (1, 2, 5)

LORD'S SUPPER

- I'll Fly Away #824 (1, 2, 3)
- Where Could I Go? #745 (1, 2, 3)

PRAYER

- Where No One Stands Alone #757 (1, 2)

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

- What Will You Do With Jesus #740 (1, 2, 5)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Savior, Grant Me Rest and Peace #561 (1, 3)

CLOSING PRAYER

Pray for Expectant Parents

- Colby & Alex Nix

Gospel Meeting

Brilliant Church of Christ
October 16-19, 2022
Ted Burleson, Speaker

ELDERS

Barry Kerr	921-3232
Paul Logan	412-1447
Steve Miller	921-7068

DEACONS

Henry Bonner	Andrew Lindsey
Ron Clark	Bob Moore
Paul Colvin	Jarred Sartain
Chris Cox	Chris Warner
David Hall	Jeff White
Terry Kerr	

STAFF/INFORMATION

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SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30
 A.M. Worship.....10:25
 P.M. Worship.....6:00

WEDNESDAY

Mid-Week Bible Study... 6:30 PM

Area Wide Youth Series @ Vernon on 10/16. We will leave from the building at 4:15.

Attending the Area Wide Youth Series allows our kids to be around other believers of the same age. This gives them the opportunity to make the right friends while strengthening the community of the Lord's church.

Upcoming Youth Events

- Rush is an event at Freed-Hardeman University that showcases the campus while giving our kids the opportunity to learn and grow along the way. It is a great way to get your child excited about Christian education! Grades 7-12. \$60. We will leave at 5:45 October 8th.
- Lunch and Learn! 10/15 @ 11:00
- Area Wide Youth Series @ Vernon church of Christ on 10/16. We will leave from the building at 4:15.
- Fall Festival at the Warner's 10/23
- Fall Retreat at Camp Tuscoba in Northport, Al. 11/11-11/13. All are welcome. If a child 5th grade or younger would like to go, it would be best if one parent would also come. We will need chaperones to make this trip happen!



History from the 1975 Church Directory

The Church of Christ at Hamilton first started meeting in 1897. The first Christians here met in homes from 1897 to 1905. At that time, only about two or three families of the Church of Christ lived in Hamilton. In 1905, brother Johnson and his family moved to Hamilton. He was employed as a teacher at the West Alabama Agriculture School and was called by his students and fellow teachers "Professor Johnson." The church then began to meet in the courthouse and continued to meet there until 1912. The Johnsons moved away. In the meantime, a wooden building was started in 1907 but was not finished for several years.

From about 1912-1913, the church did not meet. The building was completed enough by 1913 for the church to start meeting. At that time, there was not a male church member in Hamilton. Prinnie Mills and sister C. R. Franks were the only two members. At that time, brother Cliff Mills was not a member. Brother J. G. Malphurs came in 1913. With the help of brother Fannon Lambert, the one-room wooden building was completed. The Dillard family moved here in 1918. Later, the John Haney family moved here. Some early preachers who preached and held meetings were: brother John Hudson, brother Lancaster, brother Dyes, brother Wallace, brother H. Leo Boles, brother C. R. Nichol, brother G. A. Dunn, Jr., brother W. A. Black, brother A. B. Lipscomb, and others.

From 1913-1925, there were no elders in the congregation. Then, brethren Cliff Mills, John Haney, J. L. Jackson, and A. R. Britton were appointed elders. Brother W. A. Holley moved to Guin and preached monthly for the church in Hamilton two Sundays and Guin two Sundays a month. Brother Jimmy Powell was the first located preacher to live and work with the church in Hamilton. He stayed here from 1947-1949. He was followed by brother Edsel Burleson who stayed until 1952. Brother [Blanton] Swindle followed him and stayed two years. Brother [Edsel] Burleson came back to Hamilton and stayed until 1962. Brother Jerry Jenkins followed brother Burleson and stayed until 1966. Truman Keith worked with the church for a year [1966]. He was followed by brother Levi Sides, who worked with the church until 1970. Brother W. T. Allison came in 1970. The church is presently [1975] served by five elders: Ross Feltman, Howard Mays, Cliff Mills, L. L. Moore, and Caster Williams.

About 1922, the old wooden building was torn down, and a brick building was erected. The members did all the work of the building, except for laying the brick. It consisted only of an auditorium. Then, in 1925, some classrooms were added. In 1960, a new 550-seat auditorium was completed. The church presently [1975] has about 350-400 for Sunday morning worship. Some 300-225 meet for Bible classes in 23 different classrooms. God has been good to us, and we give Him the glory!



We had a great time at the Ballard's last week! Seeing the youth group get together for another time of praise on Sunday brings encouragement to all of us. When a church has young people who strive for the Lord, a sense of hope fills us all. These devotionals give our kids an opportunity to grow closer to God. It is families like the Ballard's who make this possible and we cannot thank them enough!