



Dayton Church of Christ

2230 East Highway 252
Huntington, Arkansas 72940



<u>Service Schedule:</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>	<u>Minister:</u>
Sunday Morning Class..... 9:30	Brian Black	Jeff Brewer Jody Morgan	Larry Bridges
Worship..... 10:20	Joe Bridges	Mike Brewer Cliff Wilson	
Sunday Evening..... 6:00	Larry Bridges	Tom Dacus Charlie Young	Attendance..... 143
Wednesday Evening..... 7:00	Larrie Owen	Chris Young	Contribution.....\$3,384.00

Announcements - May 27, 2012

We will be **honoring our seniors** graduating from high school this evening following our evening service. We will have our customary singing and sandwiches and then recognize our seniors downstairs. We extend our congratulations to **Clayton Carter, Cameron Dell, and Train Rogers** for reaching this milestone. If you have not yet given them a gift and would like to do so there will be a basket available for that purpose.

An **ice cream social** is schedule for Sunday evening, June 24, following our usual end-of-the month singing service. Bring your best recipe or try out a new one and enjoy a good time together.

Our next monthly elders, deacons, and men's **business meeting** will be held Sunday evening, June 10, at 5:00 downstairs.

Jerry Upton had some additional testing done this last week to check his progress. **Caroline Guthrie**, sister-in-law of Sue Young, underwent critical surgery this last Thursday in Nashville. **Don Locke**, friend of Phillip Mead, is undergoing chemotherapy treatment for cancer. **Peggy Sherrill**, mother of Tammy Brewer, is due to have a biopsy performed on her thyroid on June 1. Peggy is a cancer survivor. Our sympathy is extended to **Laura Dacus** and her family in the passing this last week of her uncle **Phillip Bennett** in Ft. Smith. Please keep these in your prayers and remember the many who are found on our long term prayer list.

FOR OUR LONG TERM PRAYER LIST SEE THE SMALL TABLE IN THE FOYER



YES....WE WANT YOU....More even than Uncle Sam does. The **new teaching quarter** is coming up and this is an opportunity for you to fill a much needed role in the work of this Church. A sign-up sheet is on the center table in the foyer for your convenience. Thanks so much for your continued willingness to help.



YOUR INVESTMENT IN DOING GOOD

- ◆ Elder/Preacher School in Sarapheth in India.....\$600 per mo.
- ◆ Mission Work in Kenya...Larry Conway.....\$600 per mo.
- ◆ Truth for Today...Printed material through out the world....copies available in Library.....\$300 per mo.
- ◆ Families First Ministry...Bill Wheeler.....\$200 per mo.
- ◆ Amen Ministry....Military Support.....\$ 50 per mo.
- ◆ Paragould Christian Home.....\$100 per mo.
- ◆ Southern Christian Home.....\$1,400 per mo.
- ◆ Lions for Christ...UAFS.....\$300 per mo.

- ◆ Razorbacks for Christ...UofA.....\$120 per mo.
 - ◆ Student Center...Arkansas Tech Univ.....\$100 per mo.
 - ◆ Student Center...UCA...Conway.....\$ 50 per mo.
- Thank you for enabling this critical work to go on each month. Not included in this information is monthly local benevolence, building payment and utilities, and one time support for other important works. So....if any one asks you, "What are you doing to help in the Lord's work?" Among other things you can give him this list.

Read The Bible in One Year

Sunday:	Numbers 20-22;	Mark 7:1-13
Monday:	Numbers 23-25;	Mark 7:14-37
Tuesday:	Numbers 26-28;	Mark 8
Wednesday:	Numbers 29-31;	Mark 9:1-29
Thursday:	Numbers 32-34;	Mark 9:30-50
Friday:	Numbers 35-36;	Mark 10:1-31
Saturday:	Deut. 1-3	Mark 10:32-52

The Gospel Minutes are also available on the table in the foyer.

Birthdays for the week

May 27 - Neil Hurt	June 1 - Tammy Brewer
May 27 - Melanie Jones-Baker	June 1 - Heath Hogeland
May 30 - Charlie young	June 2 - Kristina Striplin
May 30 - Reid Carter	
May 30 - Larry Davis	

Anniversaries for the week

May 28 - David & Cara Mohundro
May 30 - Stuart & Teresa Rose - Celebrating 14 years
June 2 - Brice & Freda Parker - Celebrating 22 years



WHO NEEDS CHURCH?

Maybe the Europeans have it right. Go into any major city in Western Europe and you will find some of the most amazing and beautiful structures to be churches. Their spires reach heavenward. The architecture speaks of a different time. They are huge works of art. Tourists flock to them throughout the week. But after visiting the building on a Friday go back on a Sunday. Where are all the people? Buildings that were designed to accommodate hundreds of worshippers echo with the steps of only a handful that actually worship there. If not for a few wealthy benefactors and governmental assistance the buildings would have to close.

There is a segment of our population in America that tends to think that Europe has the answers. They look to them for economic solutions to the problems of poverty and certainly admire their “free thinking” approach to a less restricted moral standard. Most of them have also adopted the European approach to church. It simply is not relevant. It was necessary during a less educated time of history, but now the government provides the social programs to support the poor and do other things the church and families once did. How is that working out? Not just over there, but here as the European approach grows in our great nation. It’s not working out any better for us than for them.

A leading atheist, Alain de Botton, wrote a recent article in the Wall Street Journal lamenting the loss of a “sense of community” in America. It’s interesting because this atheist traces the problem directly to Europe and now showing up in America where faith and church are being rejected as just an opinion about how things should be. Mr. de Botton is challenging America in the article to get back to the sense of caring, compassion, and community that once characterized our nation. “*People are too selfish*”, he says. “*We are so caught up in our own little worlds that we refuse to see and help one another as humanity would decree that we do.*” He wants to move people from personal selfishness to harmony and from despair to hope. He thinks folks should get together regularly and talk about these things and push our nation in that direction. He envisions folks from all genders, ethnicities, and social backgrounds sitting side by side to listen to lectures regarding how important and essential it is to humanity to restore what we have lost over the years. He just insists that we do this ***without God and the Church.***

I don’t normally pay much attention to what guys like Alain de Botton think about things, but he is certainly correct that we are too selfish, and that we do need to be more caring. It just seems ironic to me that the very solution to the problems he bemoans is the one thing that is simply unthinkable to him. What Europe lost and America seems to be loosing can never be found by closing church doors and vain attempts to silence the voice of God. If America is to avoid the “*despair across the big water*” then the Church must remain the Church....it must continue to be the foundation of our lives. Doors must remain open, and pews must be filled as we sit together to....folks of all races, ethnicities, and social backgrounds....to hear our Lord’s eternal message “*love one another.... as I have loved you....so love one another.*” One letter writer responded to the article pretty well when he said: “*Certainly seems like a lot of trouble just to avoid going to Church.*” Do you want to make a real statement regarding Europe’s failure? Then show up faithfully in this place. The Lord needs each of us to do just that....and the Dayton Church needs each of you to do just that. Make a difference!!

Larry B

Those Who Will Serve Today

Announcements	Mike Brewer
Opening Prayer	Larry Davis
Closing Prayer	Cliff Wilson
Song Leader	Lowell Ashley
Child Care	Jeff & Tammy Brewer

Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Joe Bridges
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Chris Young
1st Prayer (Bread)	Jody Morgan
Servers	Reid Carter
	Sam Laster
	Doug Graves

Evening Communion

Brian Black

Those Who Will Serve Next Sunday

Announcements	Joe Bridges
Opening Prayer	Jack Sorrels
Closing Prayer	Jody Morgan
Song Leader	Dustin Dacus
Child Care	Sara & Casey Kindle

Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Brian Black
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Doug Graves
1st Prayer (Bread)	Josh Henderson
Servers	Sam Laster
	Moe Jones
	Kameron Delp

Evening Communion

Larry Davis