



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..... 125
Wednesday Evening..... 7:00	Larrie Owen	Chris Young	Contribution.....\$3,111.00

Announcements - July 22, 2012

The next monthly elders, deacons, and men's **business meeting** will be held this evening beginning at 5:00 downstairs. Dustin Dacus will be preaching for Larry this evening.

An **evening of baseball** is planned for our youth and adults who would like to attend. We will be heading up to North-west Arkansas for another "**Naturals**" baseball game next Saturday, July 28. **Leaving time is 5:00 p.m. from here.**

Our youth are invited to an **area wide youth night** at the Booneville Church set for **Saturday, August 4**. The Mena Church has a back-to-school youth area wide youth activity planned for **Saturday, August 11**. Sign-up sheets for both activities are on the table in the foyer.

Jerry Upton continues his chemo treatments and is struggling with the side affects at home. **Bonnie Ray** will be having cornea transplant surgery done on August 1 to correct vision problems she has. **Shannon Trotzel** is requesting your prayers as she continues to struggle with issues involving her muscular dystrophy. **Alice Bennett**, Laura Dacus' aunt, has been diagnosed with breast cancer and will be having surgery this week. We have been asked to keep the **Brent and Sarah Watson** family in our prayers. Their baby girl was recently diagnosed with cystic fibrosis. Please keep these in your prayers as well as all of those on our long term prayer list.

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

BRING A FRIEND DAY....Next Sunday, July 29, is our **next 5th Sunday** and provides a wonderful opportunity to bring friends or family to lunch here to help them get acquainted with us. The food will be excellent as usual, and we promise to help them feel very welcome.

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:	II Samuel 23-24;	Luke 19:1-27
Monday:	I Kings 1-2;	Luke 19:28-48
Tuesday:	I Kings 3-5;	Luke 20:1-26
Wednesday:	I Kings 6-7;	Luke 20:27-47
Thursday:	I Kings 8-9;	Luke 21:1-19
Friday:	I Kings 10-11;	Luke 21:20-38
Saturday:	I Kings 12-13;	Luke 22:1-30

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

Birthdays for the week

July 22 - Ivan Young
July 24 - Emerald Baker
July 25 - Darrell Brashear
July 25 - Kerri Fleming
July 27 - Suzanne Dacus

Anniversaries for the week

None



JUST WALKING AWAY

No one would question the fact that we are a religious nation. Drive through any city or community and just count the number of church buildings, or examine any survey dealing with the subject that you might wish, and that fact becomes obvious. Human folks are spiritual beings. We speak freely of our minds, hearts, or spirits...knowing full well that we aren't talking about physical organs. We speak of souls, character, or personality and know that we aren't talking about anything that can be measured in a test tube or scanned by a machine. Despite our "religious bent" it seems that religion isn't serving our spiritual lives very well these days. An issue of *Time* magazine this last spring had an article under the title "The Rise of the Nones." The single fastest growing religious group in America today has doubled its numbers since 1990. It's the group of people who say they have "no religious affiliation." They are simply called the "Nones" by our social scientists who measure that kind of stuff. The article attempts to sort out the reasons for this growth which currently represents 19 % of our population.

I think most of us know the reason for this growth. Religion, to many, has become an ugly thing. There is an endless cycle of ugliness that struts across our TV screens or fills our newspapers. Scandals, controversy, hypocrisy, violence, and abuse all peek out from behind our pulpits and pews. Too many preachers making too much news about too many wrong things. I am embarrassed for all of us. It's no new problem. Back in Old Testament days the prophets lamented the fact that people were knee deep in all kinds of religious stuff, but had lost sight of the nature of the God they worshipped. Integrity, compassion, mercy, kindness, and love were passed by so that feasts could be kept and sacrifices offered. Jesus certainly found the same thing among the religious of His day. So why do we still not get it? Why does organized religion still drive folks away from God? Why are the "Nones" growing in our nation at such an alarming rate? I think primarily it's due to the fact that so many fail to understand that religion and God are not the same thing. I thank God for this Church. The only perfection we claim here at Dayton is the perfection found in Christ Jesus....and it's a beautiful thing. We are determined to look beyond religious hype and discover the God we worship. We are constantly striving to *"learn to do good...to seek justice...to help the oppressed...to defend the cause of orphans...to fight for the rights of widows."* **Isaiah 1:17**

Are you sometimes tempted to join the crowd that just walks away from it all? Don't!! Instead of letting religion be the excuse for walking away from God, let the sacrifice of Christ and the love of God be the reason you insist on *"drawing nigh unto Him."* *"To God be the glory.....great things He hath done."*

Larry B

LADIES, YOU ARE INVITED to the **Annual Ladies Day** hosted by the Valley View Church on **Saturday, September 15**. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with breakfast served from 8:30 til 9:00 a.m. The program will run from 9:00 til 11:00 a.m. The morning speaker will be **Cindy Baker**. "Sisters in Song" from Westark and "One Voice" from Poteau will be singing. There is a **sign-up sheet** on the table so we can RSVP to Valley View.

Those Who Will Serve Today

Announcements	Mike Brewer
Opening Prayer	Joe Bridges
Closing Prayer	Cliff Wilson
Song Leader	Dustin Dacus
Child Care	Charlie & Rachel Young

Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Larry Wagoner
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Chris Young
1st Prayer (Bread)	David Young
Servers	Charlie Young
	Tyler Basham
	Sam Laster

Evening Communion

Joe Bridges

Those Who Will Serve Next Sunday

Announcements	Larry Bridges
Opening Prayer	Larry Davis
Closing Prayer	Brian Black
Song Leader	Lowell Ashley
Child Care	Jeff & Tammy Brewer

Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Dustin Dacus
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Doug Graves
1st Prayer (Bread)	Tom Dacus
Servers	Brandon Brewer
	Austin Williams
	Moe Jones

Evening Communion

Larry Davis