



# Dayton Church of Christ

2230 East Highway 252  
Huntington, Arkansas 72940



<p><b>Service Schedule:</b>          Sunday Morning Class..... 9:30          Worship..... 10:20          Sunday Evening..... 6:00          Wednesday Evening..... 7:00</p>	<p><b>Elders</b>          Joe Bridges          Larry Bridges          Larrie Owen</p>	<p><b>Deacons</b>          Jeff Brewer      Jody Morgan          Mike Brewer      Cliff Wilson          Tom Dacus      Charlie Young                                   Chris Young</p>	<p><b>Minister</b>.....Larry Bridges  <b>Assoc. Minister</b>...Dustin Dacus          Attendance..... 130          Contribution.....\$2,791.00</p>
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## Announcements - January 20, 2013

The monthly elders, deacons, and men's **business meeting** that was postponed last week will be held this evening beginning at 5:00 pm downstairs. Men, we encourage those of you who can to join us.

The ladies of the Branch Church are hosting a ladies day under the title "*Spiritual Seasons for Sisters in Christ*" next Saturday, January 26, from 8:00 a.m. til 5:00 p.m. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. More information has been posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Next Sunday evening is the last Sunday evening of the month. We will enjoy our customary singing and devotional service with sandwiches and desert to follow.

**Jerry Upton** continues in his recovery at home. A CT will be performed in a couple of weeks to check on the progress of eliminating the blood clot. He is still very weak, but is slowly gaining some strength back. The results from **Angie Hester's** recent MRI revealed no significant changes since the last testing she had done. The doctors will begin a series of injections intended to help her be able to begin her physical therapy again. Kathy Willoughby's daughter, **Amanda Amaro**, has been tested in Little Rock for what is believed may be Normal Pressure Hydro-cephalous. She had an MRI and spinal tap to determine whether she has this very serious condition. **Ernie Schlinker**, Freda Parish's brother, continues in very bad condition in the hospital in Little Rock. **Bonnie Ray** will be having cornea transplant surgery done on February 13. This is the surgery that had been scheduled months ago but was postponed due to illness. We extend our sympathy to the family of **Nita Newland**, sister of Opal Terrell, who passed away this last week at 93 years of age. The funeral was held yesterday in Ft. Smith. Our sympathy is also extended to the family of **Kim Newheart**, a counselor at East Hills in Greenwood, who passed away last week at home from complications of illness she has battled. Please keep these as well as all of those on our long term prayer list in your prayers.

**FOR OUR LONG TERM PRAYER LIST SEE THE SMALL TABLE IN THE FOYER (updated Dec. 30, 2012)**

## 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:	Jeremiah 6-8:	I Timothy 5
Monday:	Jeremiah 9-11:	I Timothy 6
Tuesday:	Jeremiah 12-14:	II Timothy 1
Wednesday:	Jeremiah 15-17:	II Timothy 2
Thursday:	Jeremiah 18-19:	II Timothy 3
Friday:	Jeremiah 20-21:	II Timothy 4
Saturday:	Jeremiah 22-23:	Titus 1

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

## Birthdays for the week

January 21 - June Lowe  
 January 24 - Charity Sanders



## Anniversaries for the week

January 23 - Jerry & Faye Upton celebrating 53 years

### THE UNTHINKABLE

You hear that word used from time to time in the media or from friends and neighbors. With the recent events that have occurred in Newtown, Connecticut, it's not surprising to be hearing it again. Six adult educators were dead in a matter of moments. That's certainly troubling enough. But twenty children...first grade students...six and seven year olds...kids who were utterly innocent. Unthinkable!! It's very difficult for any of us here to begin to relate to the overwhelming sorrow of the parents and families of those involved. Our children and grandchildren are precious to us. The children of this church are precious to us. To lose any of them, especially to a senseless act of violence, is simply unthinkable.

What is this world coming to? That's a question all of us hear from time to time. I remind us all...this world is not a safe place. It is a place of unthinkable horrors. And that's nothing new. Unthinkable things occur in every generation...and all over this world. There is no safe place, and there is no safe time. As long as hatred fills human hearts it will find expression in violence, and not just violence toward the deserving, but violence directed at the innocent. Jeremiah was God's prophet a long, long time ago. Matthew quoted Jeremiah in his gospel when he said, "*A cry was heard in Ramah....weeping and great mourning. Rachel weeps for her children, refusing to be comforted, for they are dead.*" These children were all boys and all age two or under. Completely innocent. Herod's soldiers swept over the little town of Bethlehem storming into every house and searching every cave in the hills. Mothers pled for mercy, and mercy was denied. All of the mothers in Newtown who read Matthew's gospel know exactly how those Bethlehem moms felt. All of that grief and terrible sorrow...all because some middle eastern dictator squatting on a throne feared that he might some day lose his job if the nameless baby boy under the star were allowed to live. The fact that Bethlehem occurred so long ago, and in a place far from the United States, doesn't lessen the atrocity.

A brief glance at even fairly recent history reveals an ongoing series of unthinkable tragedies that humanity has perpetrated against itself leaving the dead and dying lying in the wake. Stalin's gulags...the Holocaust...Mao's purges...Rwandan massacres...The Khmer Rouge boneyard...Darfur...The 9/11 attack. Once you begin the list it's hard to find a place to stop. The world's violence is certainly not new news. So...just what do we do about it? Good question. Let's love our loved ones. Let's hug them up close and truly value every day that we have each other. Let's remember that the world is the way it is, not because God created it that way, but because we chose to bring the imperfection of sin into God's perfect paradise. And let's be thankful that from that day to this God's efforts have been directed toward rescuing us...delivering us...saving us. The violent and the violence of this world do not have the final say. God does, and because that is true we live in hope!

Larry B

*"Sing to God. Sing praise to His name. Extol Him who rides on the clouds. His name is the Lord. Rejoice before Him. A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in His holy dwelling....Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens. Our God is a God that saves!" **Psalm 68:4-5,19-20***

#### Those Who Will Serve Today

Announcements	Joe Bridges
Opening Prayer	Larry Wagoner
Closing Prayer	Brian Black
Song Leader	Dustin Dacus
Child Care	Charlie & Rachel Young

#### Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Mike Brewer
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Dale Carter
1st Prayer (Bread)	Larry Davis
Servers	Reid Carter
	Ryan Borst
	Charlie Young

#### Evening Communion

Lowell Ashley

#### Those Who Will Serve Next Sunday

Announcements	Dustin Dacus
Opening Prayer	Larry Davis
Closing Prayer	Cliff Wilson
Song Leader	Bill Laster
Child Care	Jeff & Tammy Brewer

#### Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Joe Bridges
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Stuart Rose
1st Prayer (Bread)	Tom Dacus
Servers	Brandon Brewer
	Sam Laster
	Moe Jones

#### Evening Communion

Chris Young