



Dayton Church of Christ

2230 East Highway 252
Huntington, Arkansas 72940



<u>Service Schedule:</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sunday Morning Class..... 9:30	Joe Bridges	Jeff Brewer Jody Morgan	Larry Bridges...Dustin Dacus
Worship..... 10:20	Larry Bridges	Mike Brewer Cliff Wilson	Bruce Flippo
Sunday Evening..... 6:00	Tom Dacus	Dustin Dacus Charlie Young	Attendance.....119
Wednesday Evening..... 7:00	Bruce Flippo	Chris Young	Contribution.....\$2,932.00

Announcements - November 30, 2014

Dustin Dacus will be preaching this morning. **Reid Carter** will give our devotional at our evening singing service tonight.

Our **new teaching quarter** will begin this **Wednesday night, December 3**. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the foyer, and once again we need your help. Please give prayerful consideration to helping in our teaching program.

The next area wide **men's prayer breakfast** will be hosted by the Valley View Church on Saturday morning, December 6, beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Larry Conway, missionary from Nairobi, Kenya, will be speaking for us next **Sunday morning, December 7**, during the sermon time. We have been helping with his support for many years.

Amy Bridges continues in Sparks Hospital in room 590 recovering from pneumonia, the flu, and kidney infection. She is improving. **George Ainsworth** continues his recovery from a recent stroke. **Doye Basham** will be meeting with doctors in Little Rock soon to determine his course of treatment. **Jane Robinson** continues at Covington Court in Ft. Smith in room 15 following her stroke. Those under Hospice Care are: **Orby McDaniel**, **Wanza Presson**, **Billy Parish**. Please keep these, all of our shut-ins, and our long term prayer list members in your daily prayers.

FOR OUR LONG TERM PRAYER LIST SEE THE SMALL TABLE IN THE FOYER (Updated November 16, 2014)

5TH SUNDAY CHANGE....Today is the 5th Sunday. Due to folks traveling and the large amount of work families have been doing in cooking preparations for the holiday **we will not be sharing our usual 5th Sunday lunch today**. The singing/devotional service normally held this afternoon will be held this evening instead, but without any meal function. The 5th Sunday contribution today will be going to early payment of our church loan as has been our custom. We hope this change will better serve your family needs during the busy holiday season.

- ◆ 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..... \$500 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.

THIS IS YOUR "INVESTMENT" IN DOING GOOD

Read the Bible Through in a Year

Sunday.....	Psalms 148-150.....	I Cor. 15:29-58
Monday.....	Proverbs 1-2.....	I Cor. 16
Tuesday.....	Proverbs 3-5.....	II Cor. 1
Wednesday.....	Proverbs 6-7.....	II Cor. 2
Thursday.....	Proverbs 8-9.....	II Cor. 3
Friday.....	Proverbs 10-12.....	II Cor. 4
Saturday.....	Proverbs 13-15.....	II Cor. 5

"Study to show yourself approved..."

Birthdays for the week

December 4 - Jerry Upton
December 5 - Betty Denton

Congratulations!!



Anniversaries for the week

December 6 - Lowell & Teresa Ashley



OPTIMISM/PESSIMISM

Which are you? Optimism certainly has its advocates, doesn't it? There's an almost unlimited supply of books available on the power of positive thinking. Google it on the internet and you'll see. Have you ever seen a book advocating pessimism....extolling its virtues? There may be some, but I've never run across one. Do you know any people of such sunny disposition that they know no sadness? I've heard it said that such folks are always able to take a lemon and turn it into lemonade. They are able to take whatever hand they are dealt and turn it into a winner. Tough times for these folks just serve to make them tougher. When faced with situations that are real downers they always come up with a smile. Some have even been rumored to let their smile be their umbrella.

I'm certainly in favor of being an optimistic spirit....but....you really can have too much of a good thing. Have you ever found yourself annoyed by one of those eternal optimists? Have you ever had a co-worker greet you in the morning with "hey, come on, put a smile on that face." Nobody likes a frowning face do they? Primary teachers often give out smiling faces or frowning faces in lieu of letter grades. Every kindergartner knows you don't want the frowning one. I've read Winnie the Pooh, haven't you? I've watched his videos with grandkids on my knee. And I can tell you that Eeyore isn't my favorite character. Nothing is ever right with that guy. His head is in a perpetual droop, his tail sags, his whole body screams out "I'm having a really bad day here." But competing for least favorite character in that book is Tiger. He really gets on my nerves. He bounces all over everywhere. He never stops talking. You can't slow him down long enough to even understand him. He's on a perpetual high.

So....which are you, preacher? Like most folks I'm just kinda somewhere in the middle. There are smiling things....feel good things....belly laugh things that enter the lives of all of us like a ray of sunshine. There are things that truly cause us to rejoice. Great things that God gives us by His grace and that enter our lives every time loved ones and little children come around. No one has to tell us to smile when we are in the midst of those kind of things. But every life that knows good things is also challenged by difficult things. The human experience is about joy....but it's also about sadness. We experience loss, our normally healthy body turns against us in a very debilitating and painful way. Someone we trust betrays us. A job that seemed secure vanishes yet bills still need to be paid. We grieve over lost souls, lost potential, and lost lives. When such losses come our way our smile turns upside down. You don't have to feel guilty about that. The God that gave us the capacity to feel great joy has also given us the capacity to know great sorrow. It's such a part of the human experience that one of the expressions used to describe our Lord is "Man of Sorrows." Do you remember what Solomon said? It's in *Ecc. 3*. In that section of scripture when he spoke about the great diversity of human experience and reminded us that there is a time for everything. In verse four he said, "there is a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance." Such is the life that all of us live by His grace. Don't concern yourself unduly with trying to follow the latest "feel good" philosophy that may be making the rounds. Just love God...and live life as it comes.

Larry B



"His Word is Truth"



Those Who Will Serve Today

Announcements	Larry Bridges
Opening Prayer	Joe Bridges
Closing Prayer	Jody Morgan
Song Leader	Bill Laster
Child Care	Jeff & Tammy Brewer

Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Mike Brewer
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Larry Davis
1st Prayer (Bread)	Jody Morgan
Servers	Sam Laster
	Charlie Young
	Phillip Mead

Usher....Dale Cater

Eve. Communion...Larry Davis

Those Who Will Serve Next Sunday

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

Morning Communion

3rd Prayer (Collection)	Joe Bridges
2nd Prayer (Fruit of the Vine)	Austin Williams
1st Prayer (Bread)	Doug Graves
Servers	Bill Laster
	Ryan Borst
	Brandon Brewer

Usher....Phillip Mead

Eve. Communion...Chris Young