

**Worship Assignments
Sunday Morning Services**

	February 4th	February 11th
Announcements	Marvin Pritchett	Dick Young
Song Leading	Barry Kingsley	Barry Pritchett
Open Prayer	Tim Hall	Tom Hall
Close Prayer	Richard Stephens	John Painter
Head Table	Don McKee	Lloyd Ferrell

Assist	Jack Stanley Jackie Cochran Tate McCoy David Green Donnie Bailey Brandon Jones Rob Burton Mark Wilson	Don Kerley Mike Holloway Tim Hall Jackie Cochran Dennis Nicholson Jay Hall Carl Wilson Dennis Dove
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Usher	Reid Cochran Andrew Kingsley Ben Kingsley Michael Kingsley	Rob Burton Daniel Funderburk Koby Cork Brandon Jones
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Sound Room	Mike Holloway	Dow McEntyre
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Greeters	C&B Wilson Juanita Bloodworth D&D Green	O&J Holloway Alice Crow Eulyeen Callihan
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Nursery

Sunday Night Services

Announcements	Carl Wilson	Curtis Kingsley
Song Leading	Garry Hensley	Mark Pettit
Open Prayer	Garry Rittenberry	Dennis Dove
Close Prayer	Donnie Bailey	Richard Stephens
Communion	Don McKee	Lloyd Ferrell
Sound Room	Mike Holloway	Dow McEntyre

Month of February Month of March

Unlock Building	Curtis Kingsley	Dick Young
Lock Building	Garry Rittenberry	Marvin Pritchett

Wednesday Night Services

	February 7th	February 14th
Announcements	Butch Jones	Butch Jones
Song Leading	Zach Pritchett	Andrew Kingsley
Prayer	Jay Hall	Greg Burrell
Sound Room	Benjamin Kingsley	Zach Pritchett



On behalf of my mother, Dell Beaver, I would like to say thank you for the cards, gifts, and flowers given to her on her birthday. She had a great day.

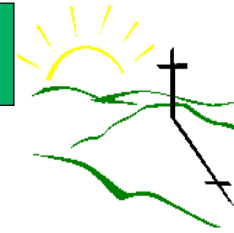
Judy Gibbs

Don't forget to be finishing up any last minute Lads to Leaders and Leaderettes projects. We want to be prepared and ready.

Also- Mentors, please remember your Mentorees!

The Gilmer County School System is looking for volunteers and mentors. If you would like an application or more information on how you can help make a difference in children's lives, please see Heidi Kerley.

ELIJAY CHURCH OF CHRIST



**Spreading the Good News
Sunday, February 4, 2007**

Meeting Times

Sunday Morning

Class.....9:45am
Worship.....10:45am

Sunday Evening

Worship.....6pm

Wednesday Evening

Bible Study.....7:00 pm

- We have Bible classes for all ages -



- Gladys Holloway - 4th
- Laura Burton - 4th
- Marie Overton - 4th
- Jean Mulkey - 5th
- Steve Evans - 6th
- Eulyeen Callihan - 8th
- Don Kerley - 9th
- Tiffany Baker - 9th
- Joyce Fitch - 10th
- Nathan Weeks - 10th
- Sarah Weeks - 10th

Scott & Misty Dove - 4th

Week of January 28th

Contribution.....\$5,956
Budget.....\$6,510
Under YTD.....\$743
Bible Study.....157
AM Worship.....202
PM Worship.....122
Wednesday Evening.....123

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**Come as a guest,
leave as a friend...**



Welcome to our Visitors!
You are our honored guest. We hope that you find our worship uplifting and meaningful. Please complete the visitors card so we will have a record of your visit. Please know that you are always welcome at all of our services. We hope you will stay after services and let us get to know you.

Do You Know?

The first Sunday in February many years ago found a young preacher in the pulpit & his beautiful wife sitting in the congregation. Can you guess who that couple was?

- A special thank you to Butch & Susan for twentyseven years. We look forward to many more to come -



Roy Walker is at home after having surgery last Monday. Dr's feel the surgery went well.

Larry Cantrell's dr's are deciding which treatment will be best for him.

Mollie Woody is in Ellijay's hospital and doing some better.

Shirley Hinton continues to undergo treatment.

Sandra Poole, a friend of Garry and Rachael's, was diagnosed with inoperable cancer. If you would like to send her an encouragement:
811 Green Drive
Canton, GA 30114

Tommie Stephens is recovering from a hip replacement.

Ethan Jones, the little boy diagnosed with a rare form of brain cancer remains critical.

Becky Hall has surgery coming up in February.

Lynn Townsend will be going to see a glaucoma specialist.

Juanita Bloodworth is having a biopsy done this Thursday.

Wanda Peebles continues to improve.

Cliff Kearley, Mark Wilson's stepfather, is under hospice care. Please remember him.

Jack & Eulyeen Callihan have had health problems lately.

Others to Remember
Kathleen Sisson, Tina Messer, Kathleen Ballew, Richard Abernathy, Harold Neal, Raymond Kellum (Lynn Townsend's dad), Vic Carswell, Ray Hammons, Barbara Hill, Pat Stells, June McEntyre, Shirley Hinton, Billie Wright, Vivian Young, Tom Miller, Trent Miller, Willie Clayton (friend of June & Karen), Orene Underhill, Ethan Jones, George & Laura Huckabey

Please remember our Cancer Patients
Juanita Green, Martha Rollins, Frances Martin Deep, Shirley Bailey, Willene Cody, Christa McArthur, Edith Hinds, Edd Hensley, Bob Rush, Barbara Lassetter, John Waddell



Pauline Mullinax, Florence Stanley, Annette Fitch, Bonnie Conner, Ruth Mashburn



•Monday, February 5th - Gilmer Nursing Home Singing, 7pm

•Saturday, February 10th - Congregational Prayer Breakfast, 8:30am. Please sign up on the bulletin board so we know how many people to expect. Also, we need volunteers to cook.



•Sunday, February 11th - Widows & Widowers Luncheon

•Sunday, February 11th - Snak-N-Yak/Baby Shower for Amy and Daniel Funderburk. They are expecting a boy.



We extend our sympathy to the family of Kenneth Dotson in his passing away. Funeral service will be Monday, 11am at Bernhardt's Funeral Home.

"Twenty-seven Years Ago"

Butch Jones

Today is the 27th anniversary of our work with the congregation here at Ellijay. I have thought a lot this week about the many memories of our time with you and wanted to share a few for this weeks bulletin.

Susan and I had both just celebrated our 27th birthdays within a couple months of moving to Ellijay. Jenny was four months old and we were a "young couple" with no gray hair and no wrinkles. Brandon had not even been imagined at that time.

I had been in Adairsville for three years when the opportunity was given to us to move to Ellijay. Brother Earl Barfield was worshipping with the congregation there and was in the audience the day I resigned the work. He told me I was crazy for moving to Ellijay. The congregation here had 10 preachers in the past 20 years and 5 preachers in the past 10 years. I would come here and have to move on. I explained that I wasn't coming too move but to stay and work with the church here. Before Earl passed away suffering from a brain tumor, he and I had the conversation and he admitted that he was wrong in thinking I would come and quickly leave. Earl did a great job being one of those preachers who had served in the past.

I am still thankful to this day for the two "Shepherds" that gave me the opportunity to work with the congregation. Morris Pettit and Marvin Pritchett were the two that invited me to serve as minister at Ellijay.

In 1980, the congregation looked a little different than it does today. Sunday Morning attendance was 106 for Worship Service. I believe it was the same attendance number for the first four or five weeks. Then things started moving. We were in the "fellowship hall" and the Sundays we had a large number, we opened back accordion curtains where the kitchen is now located. That space also served as class rooms for our Bible Classes.

We have a fine youth group today and I know we are all proud of them. In 1980 the youth group a little different. Barry Pritchett and Mark Pettit were both 17. Tim Hall was 18, Alan Hall 13 and Jay Hall was 11. Mark Stephens was 17, Richard Stephens was 15. Angie was all grown up at age 20. That wasn't all the youth group but I think it shows the fact that our "family" has been blessed throughout the years with fine young people. I am proud of how so many that are still here and a part of our "family" as well as others who have grown up and moved on to other congregations are faithful in serving the Lord.

In 1980 there was Dairy Queen and a place called the Tastee Freeze. The population of Gilmer County was just over 12,000. There were about 2,100 children in the school system. There was no 515, McDonalds or Wal-Mart. The trip to Atlanta took at least 2 ½ hours. How time changes things.

We have been blessed with several good men who have served as Shepherds and Deacons. A lot of good Bible Teachers have come our way. Several families have moved to make Gilmer County and North Georgia their home. The congregation has been blessed with those who have obeyed the Gospel and others who have chosen to be a part of the "family" here.

To paraphrase Paul, "We cant just look back but have to look ahead as we serve the Lord." I am thankful for the privilege of serving with this fine "family" and hope the Lord will allow me several more years in His service. Thank each of you for loving and helping my family to be a part of "your family" and the church "family" here at Ellijay. Many have gone on to be with the Lord. We all are growing older and we can count our blessings. May our prayer be that all we say and do be to His Glory!