

**Worship Assignments**  
**Sunday Morning Services**

	December 9th	December 16th
Announcements	Quentin Holloway	Tom Hall
Song Leading	Barry Pritchett	Barry Kingsley
Open Prayer	Marvin Pritchett	Don Kerley
Close Prayer	John Painter	Garry Rittenberry
Head Table	Don McKee	Dick Young

Assist	Dudley Maddox Wintson Pettit Dow McEntyre Matthew Bailey Donnie Bailey Chris Maddox Rob Burton Dustin Holland	Andrew Kingsley Reid Cochran Zach Pritchett William Pettit Matthew Bailey Ben Kingsley Michael Kingsley Joel Pritchett
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Usher	Jeff Payne Mike Holloway Mike Parson Jack Stanley Rob Burton Don Kerley	John Clark Pettit Winston Pettit Dustin Holland Richard Stephens Johnny Dunaway Dow McEntyre
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Sound Board Projector	Koby Cork Carl Wilson	Mike Holloway William Parker
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Greeters	Betty Bevins D. Payne/P. Morrow V&J Gibbs	K&J White Phyllis Morrow Q&J Holloway
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**SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICES**

Announcements	Greg Burrell	Burt Hinton
Song Leading	Mike Williams	Dudley Maddox
Open Prayer	Dennis Dove	David Green
Close Prayer	Richard Stephens	Donnie Bailey
Communion	Don McKee	Dick Young
Sound Board	John Painter	Mike Holloway
Projector	Carl Wilson	William Parker

**MONTH OF DECEMBER MONTH OF JANUARY**

Unlock Building	Barry Kingsley	Billy Weeks
Lock Building	Greg Burrell	Marvin Pritchett

	December 12th	December 19th
Announcements	Butch Jones	Butch Jones
Song Leading	Andrew Kingsley	Zach Pritchett
Prayer	Burt Hinton	Richard Stephens
Sound Board	Zach Pritchett	Reid Cochran
Projector	Barry Kingsley	Barry Kingsley

**PARENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

Please remember the upcoming deadlines for Lads to Leaders:

Registration Deadline for Event Participation: January 11, 2008  
The following must be completed by January 6, 2008:

Mass Media

Music Compostion entries

Scholarship applications. Get started now if you are going to apply. (Seniors)

GI FTS entries and verification forms

Good Samaritan (Points for good deeds)

Parade of Winners (Reading or listening to the Old or New Testament)

Centurion of Scripture (Memorizing 100 Bible verses)

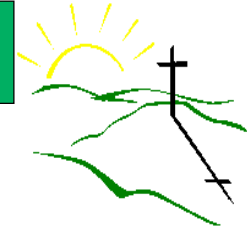
Bible Bowl and PEARLS Test Dates: January 30-February 11, 2008

Overall Theme: "Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spitit, in faith, in purity."  
1 Timothy 4:12

A good time to work on these is over the holidays. A list of activities on each young person is on the bulletin board or we have extra copies in the office.

Visit lads-to-leaders.org for more info

**ELIJAY CHURCH OF CHRIST**



**Spreading the Good News**  
**Sunday, December 9, 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 -

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

- Gail Adams - 9th
- Carl Brinson - 10th
- Reid Cochran - 10th
- Eddy Mulkey - 10th
- Julie Mullins - 10th
- Jerry Pearson - 10th
- Ernestin e Hall - 11th
- Cindie Chastain - 12th
- Billy Joe Howard - 12th
- Sherri Karr - 12th
- Jay Hall - 13th
- Wendy Jones - 13th
- Wilson Pettit - 14th
- Wilma Sisson - 14th
- Annette Corson - 15th
- Curtis Kingsley - 15th

Carl & Carolyn Brinson - 10th

**Week of December 2nd**

Contribution.....\$7,098  
Budget.....\$6,510  
Under YTD.....\$9,938  
Bible Study.....146  
AM Worship.....201  
PM Worship.....175  
Wednesday Evening.....123

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Barry Pritchett.....276-3799  
Garry Rittenberry...276-4846

**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.



**"We all have many gifts.  
Are we willing to share  
them to the glory of God?  
Mark your calendar for  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> Snak-n-  
yack."**

## In Our Prayers

Trent Miller received a call Friday night there was a kidney available for him. He is recovering well from his transplant surgery.

Elmer Pankey is doing well and back at work after a trip to the ER last Sunday.

George Hall is doing well after some health problems last week.

Rhonda Packer was diagnosed recently with a brain tumor.

Annette Hefner was recently diagnosed with breast cancer.

Harold Hefner will be having knee surgery in a few days.

Yvonne Hall is recovering from eye surgery.

David Mullins will be undergoing tests for very serious back problems.

Lorene Hall will be undergoing more tests in the next several days after a test showed a spot on her lungs.

Virginia Merritt is in serious condition at St. Joseph's in Atlanta.

## Others to Remember

Kathleen Sisson, Harold Neal, Vic Carswell, Pat Stells, Shirley Hinton, Vivian Young, Tom Miller, Trent Miller, Willie Clayton, Orene Underhill, George & Laura Huckabey, Pauline Parks, Peggy Benedict, John Sullivan, Warner Holloway, Rosalind Westmoreland, Cindy Hogan, Ernest Clark, Megan Purcell, Bear Patterson, Pat Pritchett, Terry Boomer, Juanita Bloodworth, Gladys Holloway, Jonathan Love, Jean Haney

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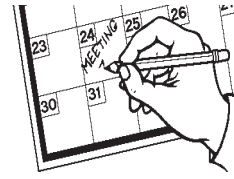
### *Please remember our Cancer Patients*

Juanita Green, Martha Rollins, Frances Martin Deep, Shirley Bailey, Willene Cody, Christa McArthur, Edd Hensley, Sandra Poole, Ethan Jones, David McClure, Billy Stells, Emory Pankey, Larry Cantrell, Wally Schmidt, Mel Teasley, Louise Leatherwood, Mike Gurganus, Treet Tilley, Reggie Burnette, Linda Beaver, Jewell Green



*We are continuing to restock our food pantry. If you could help restock it by bringing can fruit, breakfast cereals or any other food items, it would be greatly appreciated.*

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR



•**TODAY - Purpose Cards** for 2008 will be distributed

•**December 14th - Prepare Fruit Baskets.** See Tom Hall with any questions.

•**December 16th - TEEN Progressive Dinner.** All teens are *invited and encouraged* to come. Please be at the church building at 3:30pm. See Barry K. with any questions.

•**December 26th - Special Prayer Service**



We extend our sympathy to the family of Claude Mullinax in his passing away. Claude is Clyde's brother. Funeral services were this past Wednesday. Please keep this family in your prayers.

We also extend our sympathy to the family of Elizabeth Carney in her passing away two weeks ago. Mrs. Carney is Jeff Payne's grandmother. Please remember Jeff, Dana, Brittney and their family in your prayers.

## "Why Do We Give?"

I once read about the American industrialist, Henry Ford, who was once asked to donate money for the construction of a new medical facility. The billionaire pledged to donate \$5,000. The next day in the newspaper, the headline read, "Henry Ford contributes \$50,000 to the local hospital."

The irate Ford was on the phone immediately to complain to the fundraiser that he had been misunderstood. The fund-raiser replied that they would print a retraction in the paper the following day to read, "Henry Ford reduces his donation by \$45,000." Realizing the poor publicity that would result, the industrialist agreed to the \$50,000 contribution in return for the following: That above the entrance to the hospital was to be carved the biblical inscription: "I came among you and you took me in."

I suppose we all feel like Henry Ford at times. Have you ever bought a product that you thought was worthy of the price to only find out after paying that it was of poor quality? Have you ever bought a lemon? Sometimes in life we feel like we've been taken in or we've been took!

To give or not to give; that is the question? No, that is not the question. That may be the question for many people in our world, but it should not be for the Christian. Giving should be a natural part of our lives. We should want to give because of God's example of giving to us.

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave..."

God has given everything for our enjoyment in this life and He has given us what it takes to make it to eternity. The greatest of all gifts is the sacrifice of His son Jesus on the cross. Giving doesn't get any better than that!

Today our Shepherds are asking us to indicate how we will give to our Lord in the coming year. Please prayerfully consider how much you can give back to a giving God!