

Those Who Serve

Opening Prayer	May 20 Joe Holloway	May 27 Paul Kuntz
Song Leader	Kwesi Garvin	Joe Burnsed
Communion	John Story	Olan Bacon
Assist	Mike Powell	John Story
Assist	Olan Bacon	Aaron Burnsed
Dismiss Services	Olan Bacon	Charles Hall



Prayer List
Carol Hall -- At Home
Bob Emsweller -- at home and feeling better



Darlene Monreal -- Mike Powell's daughter. health problems

Gregory Dozier -- family problems

Lorianne Broussard -- Sister in law of Nick & Lisa Barratta; son Jacob Olivier has been missing for several months.

Linda McDonald -- friend of the Holloways, at home battling cancer

Randy Edenfield -- son of Steve and Tammy Hurst, personal problems

Jessie Shuman -- Health Problems

Lois Ault -- Bob Emsweller's sister in Noonan. GA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calendar for May -- on back pew

Raintree Village -- Truck will be here June 11th

Social -- next Sunday after morning worship

Meetings -- next Sunday evening after worship

Save -- Labels, Food Pantry Items, Change Jar, Cans, Medicine Bottles, & OTC Medicines, sheets, pillow cases, peanut butter, Band-Aids, toilet paper

Bookmark our Facebook page. And add EllabellChurchofChrist@hotmail.com to your contact list. Brother Paul asks that you simply email him anything you want to appear on the Facebook page; pictures, announcements, etc.

Call List -- There are forms on the back pew if you want to be added to our call list. If you want a call made, call me or text me and I will make the call and schedule it. 912-667-0519

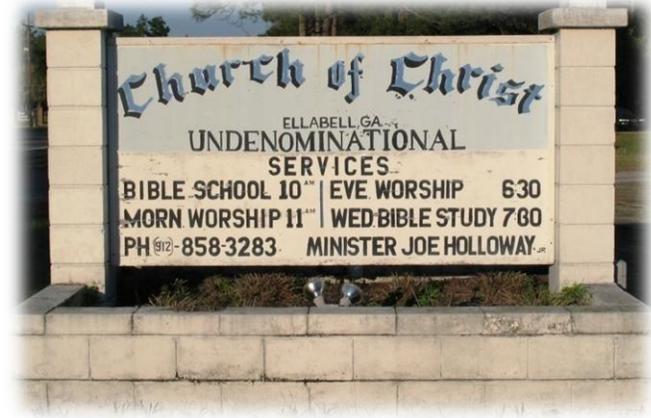
Prayer List -- There is a form on the back pew to add names to the prayer list.

Worship Services Online -- Go to our website and there is a link at the bottom.

Join us from anywhere in the world online. <http://ellabellcofchome.webs.com/>

If you enjoyed reading our bulletin, please pass or forward it to others interested in the Cause of Christ

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SPEAKING WHERE THE BIBLE SPEAKS; SILENT WHERE THE BIBLE IS SILENT

May 20, 2012

ABASIAMA'S APRIL 2012 REPORT FROM CAMEROON

There is something fresh about flipping a page over in our calendars to a new month. And it is even more refreshing to look back at a recent past month to count our blessings and see what the Lord has done. Each month, I enjoy jotting down a few things I resolve to do differently, yet for the same purpose of seeking the lost. I've found a way to motivate myself to accomplish something new each month. In April, despite the harsh realities of preaching the gospel in Cameroon, we thank God that the faith of our brethren is growing more and more, and our love for the church is increasing. With this in mind, we constantly pray for our partners, that God's amazing mercy will never depart from you as we work together to save souls. Thank you for your bighearted contribution to maintain West African mission.

As always, the Lord of harvest has blessed our evangelistic efforts again. The way He blesses our work is comprehensive and wide-ranging, though in our reporting we usually focus on the culmination of the outreach--souls baptized. As we correct, rebuke and encourage, we are usually delighted to see broken-hearted healed and captives set free. This is the kind of joy that have been ours ever since brother Otto Aristide surrendered his life to Christ in April. The heavenly joy is visibly omnipresent in the church. These additions, which seem too good to be true, are actually the Lord's doing and is marvelous in our eyes. It is the

reality of the sixteenth verse of Romans chapter one. The gospel is God's dynamite. Its power to save will never fade away. Please do join us to pray for spiritual growth of this new brother in Christ. We need this spiritual support in prayer in view of the current events the Christian experience of one of our brothers, Raphael, who was baptized a couple of months ago. He is not finding it easy maintaining his stability in the new found faith. Just about two months after Raphael's encounter with the gospel that led to his conversion, his younger sister came from Douala to visit with him and his family. In the course of Raphael's sister staying there with her brother and the wife, one day a quarrel ensued as she disagreed with Raphael's wife. The squabble resulted in Raphael's younger sister collapsing and falling on the floor. She was rushed to the hospital and she was treated but care was not taken to find out whether there was any trace of internal bleeding. About a week after being discharged from hospital, the young girl breathed her last. The problem now is that Raphael's family member and the community are pointing accusing fingers at Raphael as the secret behind the mysterious demise of his own sister. To further make matters worse, the whole crisis has spilled over to include the speculation that Raphael has joined a new church to home he has donated his sister to be used for money ritual. The irate family members of Raphael have compelled the young convert to swear over the corpse of his deceased sister to establish his innocence. "Swearing over a dead body" is a horrible tradition here enforced on anyone suspected to have had a hand in the death of the individual. Imagine the gravity of this allegation and its impact on the tender faith of Raphael. Admittedly, this young man is going through a lot of pains emanating from two distinct but connected issues---the loss of his sister and the rumor that he is responsible for her death. This is a double tragedy for a Christian newborn baby. That is why we need your prayers. The battle line is drawn. Raphael is persecuted. The weapons of our warfare are physical. Together we will pull down every stronghold that comes against our newly saved brothers and sisters.

Notwithstanding these challenges confronting the church, the Mile One church family is advancing in many fronts. In terms of infrastructural development, we are making progress in the construction of our church building. Pictures of the current stage of our building will come in our next report.

Still in April, we had a ceremony of the wedding of Brother Oscar Quan and Sister Ngonde Luma. It was exciting to witness the exchanging of vows that bound the couple together in the covenant relationship of marriage. Many pictures of the event were taken but regrettably none were at my disposal to attach as at the time of the composition of this report. This latest couple in Limbe have begun their

life-long journey and need our prayers, especially in this our time when a no-fault divorce is a legal possibility.

In contrast with the joyous events of Otto's baptism and Oscar's wedding, we were thrown into another episode of grief over the passing away of sister Alpha's half brother Tayang who was equally a nephew to our church secretary sister Tataw Hazel. The ghastly auto crash that left the 18-year old boy fatally wounded was the result of overspeeding. The boy died more than two weeks ago and the body has been cremated there in the U.S where he had the accident while driving back from school with his classmates. He is survived by his father Mr. Tabeson, a Cameroonian resident in the U.S. and his American mother who had been enjoying the custody of this boy until recently when the father started having access to his son as well. Probably I have once written to you about a girl from California who visited the Mile One church sometime last year. It is her younger brother that death has taken away. His death has really brought grief to Tataw's family and the church. It was the first time in five years I saw sister Tataw crying. She needs our prayers for consolation.

Once again, we remember all of you for your partnership with us in the spread of the plan of redemption. We are all doing well by His grace and everyone sends his greetings and thanks for your generosity. My family, the orphans and the church thank you all for your open-handed support of this ministry of preaching. God bless you all.
Abasiama John Archibong





OUR PRESSING NEEDS:

TACO DINNERS/FIXINS';VEGETABLE OIL; CANNED FRUIT JUICES (APPLE,GRAPE,ORANGE); SALAD DRESSINGS (THOUSAND ISLAND, RANCH, VIDALIA;) CANNED POTATOES/ENGLISH PEAS; PICKLES; BAR-B-QUE SAUCE; GARBAGE BAGS (30-33 GAL); DREFT; MAYO/MIRACLE WHIP; PLASTIC WRAP; PANCAKE MIX; LIQUID CHILDREN'S ALLERGY MEDS; DOVE/IVORY SOAPS; NAIR; FEMININE PRODUCTS; BLEACH; SMALL RUBBER BANDS FOR HAIR;PAPER PLATES/CUPS/NAPKINS; PRE-SWEETENED KOOL AID/LEMON-ADE; FOODS AND CLEANING SUPPLIES (ALL KINDS)

WE CANNOT USE EXPIRED FOODS OR MEDICATIONS!

PLEASE NOTE: BADLY NEEDED ITEMS

CANNED FRUIT JUICES

TACO DINNERS

VEGETABLE OIL

ANTIBACTERIAL SOAPS