

# Those Who Serve

	April 8	April 15
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Charles Hall	Joe Holloway
<b>Song Leader</b>	Joe Burnsed	Kwesi Garvin
<b>Communion</b>	Joe Holloway	John Story
<b>Assist</b>	John Story	Olan Bacon
<b>Assist</b>	Charles Hall	Charles Hall
<b>Dismiss Services</b>	Paul Kuntz	Olan Bacon



## Prayer List

**Carol Hall** -- a round of radiation

**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

**Joe Holloway Sr.** – Surgery, but back at work

**Jessie Shuman** – Health Problems

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Calendar for April** – on back pew

**Social** – Calendar wrong (believe it or not) Social is on the 11<sup>th</sup>, not the 4<sup>th</sup>

**Ladies' Meeting** – tomorrow night at 7pm

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

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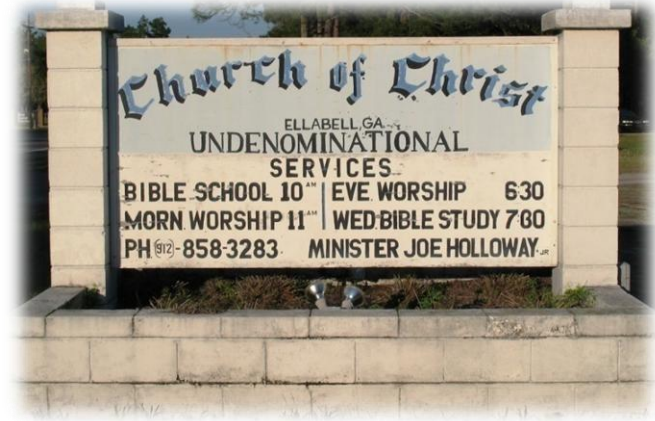
**Call List** – There are forms on the back pew if you want to be added to our call list. If you want a call made, call me or text me and I will make the call and schedule it. 912-667-0519

**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://ellabellcofhome.webs.com/>

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# ELLABELL CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

April 8, 2012

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2012 (TOM EKPOŌ ÒR)

My Very Dear Brethren in Christ,

I salute you all in Jesus name. My family sends its warm greetings to every one of you. We appreciate you all, and will ever remain grateful to God on your behalf. It is not a small task you are doing. You may not realize this now, but I tell you, one day you will see how much fruit you have produced for Jesus. We equally appreciate you all for your individual and collective prayers said on our behalf. May God keep blessing you all?

My Children are going to be on break from School for four weeks for Easter break. We are particularly anxious to have Godswill back home after he left for School since in January. The northern part of Nigeria has become such a risky place that when children leave for School, parents are so afraid because of Islamic militants. Several schools have been attacked, and the building burnt down because they promote Western education not Islamic illiteracy. For the

month of March, worship services and Bible studies have been nightmare for some people. Apart from regular members of the Church, it has become increasingly difficult to invite people to attend either our Bible Studies or worship services, except those who have determine to die for Christ. When a stranger walks into the worship hall, everybody becomes skeptical whether he/she is a suicide bomber. The Government is trying to provide some kind of security, but this is not enough because some of the Police are Moslems, and therefore collaborate with any of their people to destroy the children of God. Besides, these police men and women are equally trying to protect their lives as well. All these have made different congregations to mount their various security plans. As I mentioned in one of my previous letters, several Southerners have moved down to their respective States or to the South. Some congregations have ceased to exist because when the southerners moved, the few northern Christians become afraid to gather together. I pray this will not happen in Jos. Please, don't forget us in your prayers. I have never seen a thing like this, but I trust in God that this will one day become a thing of the past.

I am still teaching three Bible classes a week. Attendance to these classes seems to remain just the same old participants since last January. I think if no one comes in new, then we need to secure the saved from destruction. At Mazah, we have hospital evangelism aside from our weekend door knocking. We consider this moment as time to sow the seed. At the appropriate time, God will surely invigorate the seed to germinate. The happenings will in no way dissuade us from doing what is right. I have told the brethren in Nigeria that what is happening in the Northern Nigeria is one of the Devil's schemes to prevent the spread of the gospel. If he succeeds here, he will carry the same strategy to the South. Then, what will be the fate of our

grand-children years from now? What will be the hope of Christ in Africa years from now? Except we learn to stand up for Jesus today, we will not be able to hold the flag of Christ up, and then, it will be impossible for us to match forward for victory. At the School, we will be leaving Plateau States for nine days knocking doors in some other States still in the North, in what we called "Campaign for Christ." We know it is risky to do this at this time. But I don't think there will ever be a better time. The work of the Master must not suffer lost. His army will never suffer defeat. God is the one who protects. He will take us there and bring us back. Even if He chooses that we relay our baton there, so be it to His glory. Once again, we appreciate you for your kindness toward us. Have a great Easter celebration.

### The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



Say the right words, hide behind plastic smiles, 'play' church... or discover something more. **THE CHOICE IS OURS! Mt 10:29-31, 1 Cor 12:26**