

Those Who Serve

	Aug 12	Aug 19
Opening Prayer	Paul Kuntz	Paul Kuntz
Song Leader	Joe Burnsed	Evan Hall
Communion	Evan Hall	Joe Holloway
Assist	Olan Bacon	Joe Burnsed
Assist	John Story	Olan Bacon
Dismiss Services	Joe Burnsed	Charles Hall



Prayer List

Carol Hall -- continued treatments
 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
 Jessie Shuman -- Health Problems
 Cynthia Myers, Juanita Butler, Keela Myers -- Joe's cousins -- car wreck, recovering at home
 Sandy Parker -- at home with her parents
 Jason and Tracy Sheehy -- upcoming adoption in Uganda
 Wanda Pledge -- recovering from a stroke
 Jay Williams -- Health problems
 Mark & Teresa Callaway -- Health problems
 Tammy Reed -- Conway, AR -- diagnosed with breast cancer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calendar for August -- on back pew
Save --Labels, Food Pantry Items, Change Jar, Cans, Medicine Bottles, & OTC Medicines, sheets, pillow cases, peanut butter, Band-Aids, toilet paper
Work Day -- August 18, this Saturday
Social -- two weeks from today, the 26th
Meetings --also the 26th
Ladies Meeting -- Tuesday at the building
Thank you -- from the family of David "Scooby" Parker on bulletin board
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://ellabellcofhome.webs.com/>

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

August 12, 2012

The Seven Ones

By Ron Boatwright

In Ephesians 4:4-6 we read of seven ones. "There is one body, and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all, and in you all." Notice there is only one of each.

There is only one body. Ephesians 1:21-22 says that Christ is the "head over all things to the church, which is His body." So the one body is the one blood bought church of Christ (Acts 20:28, Romans 16:16). This is the only church that Christ is going to save (Ephesians 5:23).

There is only one Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit was given to the apostles and other inspired writers of the New Testament to guide them into all truth (John 16:13). Since the New Testament has been once and for all

delivered to us (Jude 3), we no longer need further revelations as some falsely claim.

The one hope of our calling is for the salvation in Heaven (1 Peter 1:3-4) and Jesus is the author of salvation unto all that obey Him (Hebrews 5:9). This one hope is not to live here on a renewed earth for eternity as some falsely teach. This earth is going to be burned up (2 Peter 3:10).

There is only one Lord Jesus Christ, not Mohammed or anyone else. In John 14:6 Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." Jesus asks, "why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord', and not do the things which I say?" (Luke 6:46).

There is only one faith, not the hundreds of different faiths that have been established by men today. This one faith has once and for all been delivered to us in the New Testament (Jude 3). All of the other faiths by men are vain.

There is only one baptism which is a burial in water (Romans 6:4) of those who are capable of believing and repenting. It is for the forgiveness of sins so we can be saved (Acts 2:38, Mark 16:16). All other baptisms that man has come up with are vain.

And there is only one God. There are many other false gods and millions of Hindu gods, but there is only one true God. All these other gods that man has made are false.

It All Depends on Your Attitude ***Joel Stephen Williams***

In Africa it is said that there is a certain fruit called the "taste berry." This berry supposedly can affect one's taste for several hours. Not only is the berry itself sweet, it makes other things seem sweeter when eaten. What a wonderful fruit this must be if it really exists and works that well.



In human personality there is a "taste berry," and it is one's attitude. If one's attitude is good, good can be found in the worst of tragedies. The worst of defeats can spur one on to do better the next time and to take advantage of lessons learned.

With the right attitude one can see good in others in spite of their faults. A flawed effort on the part of someone whose heart is not totally pure can be viewed, not as a worthless attempt by a scoundrel, but as a step in the right direction.

On the other hand, if our attitude is not right, we can find fault with the best of efforts by the sincerest of people. Even the brightest of days will be overcast with a shadow of negative judgments. Have you ever been around someone who has the wrong attitude toward the Lord's church? All they can point to are the flaws and the faults (and there are plenty of them and they are easy to spot). All they seem to do is criticize and judge. If you try to get these people to see the good side of the picture, my experience has been that many of them refuse to listen. They do not want their negative prejudice to be dismissed by the truth. They do not want to know about all the benevolent work, mission work, and other good deeds done by God's people out of the goodness of their hearts.

It would be nice if we had a spiritual taste berry which we could give to people which would instantaneously make them positive, tenderhearted, grateful encouragers. All I know to do is to recommend a strong dose of prayer, Bible reading and "thinking about such things" as whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely and admirable (Col. 4:8).