

# Those Who Serve

	<b>April 21</b>	<b>April 28</b>
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Charles Hall	Evan Hall
<b>Song Leader</b>	Evan Hall	Joe Burnsed
<b>Communion</b>	Joe Burnsed	Charles Hall
<b>Assist</b>	Mark Stocking	John Story
<b>Assist</b>	Rick Stocking	Mark Stocking
<b>Dismiss Services</b>	Evan Hall	Joe Holloway



**Prayer List**  
**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.

**Jessie Shuman** – Health Problems

**Sandy Parker** – at home with her parents

**Jason and Tracy Sheehy** – upcoming adoption in Uganda

**Wanda Pledge** – recovering from a stroke at home.

**Jay Williams** – Health problems

**Mark & Teresa Callaway** – health problems

**Charles Stevens** – recuperating at home in AR

**Will Harley** – friend of the Storys. Rare form of gastric cancer

**Phyllis Smith** – mother of Grace Cannon – not expected to live much longer.

**Edith Cox** – at home – former member of Ellabell

**Roscoe Frisby** – Raytown, cancer patient

**Mickey Barratta** – Nick's Father – Severe Health Problems

**Cody Stewart** – 4 year old with brain hemorrhage, currently in Atlanta

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Calendar for April** – on back pew

**Save** – Labels, Food Pantry Items, Change Jar, Cans, Medicine Bottles, & OTC Medicines, peanut butter

**Social** – next week, the 28<sup>th</sup>

**Meetings** – also next week, the 28<sup>th</sup> after evening services

**Bookmark our Facebook page.** And add [EllabellChurchofChrist@hotmail.com](mailto: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://ellabellchurchhome.org/>

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

# Ellabell Church of Christ



Work Day Last Weekend

## SERVICE TIMES:

**Sunday**

Bible Study

10:00am

Worship

11:00am

6:30pm

**Wednesday**

7:00pm

*Philippians 4:13*

I can do all things  
through Him who  
strengthens me.

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

April 21, 2013

### A Little Help Here...

I have been told many times by my wife that I start conversations halfway through a thought. Sometimes I will pick up at the point my mind has gotten to and forget that others didn't hear my thought process (which is probably a very good thing). Therefore, sometimes I just don't make sense. On first glance at a conversation in Mark 9, the distressed Father appears to be making no sense. However, I think he makes perfect sense because I have been there myself...



**So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?" "From childhood," he answered. "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us." "If you can?" said Jesus. "Everything is**

**possible for him who believes." Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!" (Mark 9:20-24)**

Obviously, the Father had hope in Christ or he wouldn't have brought him there in the first place. What we see is a person who has given up on his own strength and power and is in a situation that seems hopeless. His statement is one of complete honesty. In a sense he is saying, "Jesus my hope is in you but, this struggle has brought me to my knees and my faith has taken a beating." He was asking Christ to strengthen his faith.

As crazy as it sounds, when we are at this point we are where we need to be. If we have turned over complete control, God can do amazing things. There is nothing better to help our unbelief, than seeing God at work. If you are there just turn it over, pray and watch God work.

**Wade McKnight**

Southern Oaks Church of Christ  
Chickasha, OK

Truck from Raintree coming in June- Cut out this list and take it with you shopping.

**OUR PRESSING NEEDS:**

**WE CANNOT USE EXPIRED FOODS OR MEDICATIONS. YOU HAVE HELPED TREMENDOUSLY IN RESTOCKING OUR PANTRY, THANKS! WE HAVE PLENTY OF SHAMPOO; PLEASE NO MORE NOW!**

**PLEASE NOTE: BADLY NEEDED ITEMS**

- PAPER PRODUCTS (PLATES/ NAPKINS/ TISSUE/ PAPER TOWELS);
- VIENNA SAUSAGE
- CANNED HAMS;
- WAFFLE SYRUP;
- AIR FRESHNERS;
- CANNED PINEAPPLE (SLICED, TID-BITS. CRUSHED);
- APPLESAUCE;
- MUFFIN MIXES;
- SALAD DRESSINGS (RANCH, VIDALIA ONION; THOUSAND ISLAND, FRENCH);
- **NEW REGULAR SIZED PILLOWS;**
- TOILET BOWL CLEANERS
- TOILET BOWL BRUSHES;
- GARBAGE BAGS (KITCHEN)
- BODY WASH;
- BODY MIST
- NAIR
- MOUTHWASH;
- FACE WASH;
- ALL DETERGENT FREE AND CLEAR;
- DIAL ANTIBACTERIAL SOAP;
- CANNED FRUIT DRINKS (APPLE/ ORANGE/GRAPE)

**NEW PILLOWS BADLY**

PLEASE HELP US WITH THESE REQUESTED ITEMS

More Pictures from the Work Day last weekend



**Commitment**

Commitment is a word that many in our society do not believe in or practice. I don't care if one is discussing marriage, morals or the church.

The online encyclopedia, Wikipedia defines it this way:

"Commitment means to show loyalty, duty or pledge to something or someone, and can refer to: Personal commitment, interaction dominated by obligations. These obligations may be mutual, or self-imposed, or explicitly stated, or may not. Distinction is often made between commitment as a member of an

organization (such as a sporting team, a religion, or as an employee), and a personal commitment, which is often a pledge or promise to ones' self for personal growth."

If you will read the Old Testament, you will learn that the children of Israel were never committed to the Lord for very long. It seems like every time you turn a page they did evil and a generation grew up that didn't know God.

And then Jesus came on the scene. Quickly one learns His ways are not our ways. Quickly one learns that His Word is truth (John 8:32). Quickly one learns that it is His Way or the highway. (John 14:6).

I have had more than one tell me they didn't get anything out of something, so they don't support it or are not committed to it. More than one has told me I don't want to be married anymore. More than one has told me God's Word doesn't speak to them anymore. More than one has not completed a marriage education course. More than one has not completed what it takes to overcome substance abuse. More than one has abandoned their children and more than one has walked away from Christ's Way.

**How committed are you?**

**Keith Bellamy**  
Woodville church of Christ  
Woodville, Texas