

# Those Who Serve

**Opening Prayer**  
**Song Leader**  
**Communion**  
**Assist**  
**Assist**  
**Dismiss Services**

**December 1**  
 Olan Bacon  
 Evan Hall  
 John Story  
 Mike Reinitz  
 Wade White  
 Joe Burnsed

**December 8**  
 Charles Hall  
 Joe Burnsed  
 Olan Bacon  
 Wade White  
 Brent Dozier  
 Evan Hall

## Prayer List

**Bob Emsweller** – at home recuperating. Has asked for our prayers. Doing much 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.

**Sandy Parker** – at home with her parents. Mom currently in St. Joseph's

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

**Jay Williams** – Health problems

**Mark & Teresa Callaway** – health problems

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

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

**Elma Jean Roberson** – at home recuperating

**Scott Reinitz** – Mike's brother – Health problems

**Micky Barratta** – Nick's father

**Ralph Denny** – uncle of Paula Reinitz, cancer patient

**William Webb** – Cancer patient, 3 years old Neuro Blastoma

**John** – suffering from cancer and had been declared terminal

**Bradford Stewart** – grandson of Bro and Sis Stewart of Statesboro – chronic Fatigue Syndrome

**Richard Myers** – Sue Holloway's nephew – cancer patient

**Kevin Stanley** – in Afghanistan

**Nancy Nubren** – Cancer patient

## Announcements

**Calendar for December – on back table**

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

**LADIES' HOLIDAY LUNCHEON** – Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> at noon

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 5** – the 15<sup>th</sup> at 5pm . Evening worship directly afterwards. This month-no forks-anything you can eat without utensils.

**SOCIAL** – not this Wednesday, Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup>

**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



**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Pizza in November**

## 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

December 1, 2013

### REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2013 (TOM EK POT JR)

My very dear brethren, I say greetings to you all. It is surely the will of God that we are alive to this day. We glorify Him for that, but pray that He helps us to leave to justify the reason of our existence. Our heart of sympathy still goes to the family of Brother Roscoe Frisby and the Raytown Church even as our rests in the bosom of our Lord. While we all look forward for the day our Redeemer will invite us to come over, let us continue the fight of faith faithfully. Thank you all so much for all your prayers. God is at work at every corner and every moment of our lives. The month of October 2013 is gone, and is gone forever. We thank God for the things He enabled us to accomplish.

Unfortunately, there are several things we wish we could have done, but as we know one of the factors that constrain man and continue to remind us of our limitation is time.

The Lord's work is on in Nigeria and will remain on till our Lord come to take His own home. Brethren, with your prayers, the young congregations in the Northern Nigeria, especially in Plateau State are gaining strength. It is very difficult in some States in the extreme north and in the villages in Plateau

State because of the mass exodus of people out of these volatile areas. A state like Borno State witnesses killing on daily basis for over a year now. Just like people in the villages in Plateau who are living in constant dread of any possible attacks. Of course this has been happening. The villages are habited only by the poor who have nowhere to run to. Please, do keep them in prayers, especially the saints in these places.



Tom at Toro

The church at Foron Mission is moving forward despite its vulnerable locality. Their determination to stand for Jesus is so amazing. Likewise the Church at Toro in Bauchi State. Bauchi State is an Islamic State even though there are some pockets of Christians. The population of this small congregation has risen from 27

to 40 in the last few months. Majority of this number are children. We feel if we give proper attention to the children, we will reach their parents, beside, the future of the congregation will be secured. Out of the 6 people that were baptized last month, 5 are very strong in coming for worship. The only man who made up the number needs more encouragement.

At Mazah, we are still moving on. The Government of Plateau State decided to construct a road leading to Mazah village. This was seen as a blessing, but unfortunately, the Church's land where we have been struggling to make our building is affected by the new road. We are going to lose the land except if the Government will be sympathetic to compensate us. Keep us in prayers.

**(Email trouble and other problems kept Tom's report from us for a while. I know it is December and this is Tom's report for October. It finally made it –Joe)**

## Spark

Spark? Read Hebrews 12

As the drought continues across Oklahoma, I believe the last count was 55 out of 77 counties are under a burn ban.

Each day without water increases the risk of fire and it only takes the slightest spark to start an inferno. Each day our firefighters continue to be overworked because of negligence. While fire has many qualities, I would like to focus on two.



**Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our "God is a consuming fire." (Hebrews 12:28-29)**

To understand this verse you need to read Hebrews 12, and discover its context. Here, fire is a means to test the quality of something. If you have built your foundation on the right thing, then not even fire can consume it. God is the ultimate test as a consuming fire. Of course, you may say, "How can I stand against God?" The answer lies in His Son, who took our sins, nailed them to the cross, then overcame the cross. While on my own, when tested with fire, I will always fail. However, when I stand with Christ my place is secured. I want to encourage you to let your life be tested with fire. Put your priorities, your attitude, your service, your heart and your praise up against God's consuming fire and see if they stand. Negligence in this area can cause a lot of problems. I hope your life stands the test

Secondly, I want to look at a second aspect of fire, and that is how quickly it can spread. If you take to heart the idea of testing each area of your life to see if it has quality, then you will make a difference to everyone you come into contact with. When people see Christ working in your life, the fire you have for Him will quickly spread and you will affect your congregation and your school or work, which in turn will affect your community. With just the right spark the gospel will spread like fire on a dry and weary ground. Will you be the spark?

**Wade McKnight**

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