

# Those Who Serve

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

**Feb 3**  
 Olan Bacon  
 Evan Hall  
 Rick Stocking  
 John Story  
 Joe Burnsed  
 Charles Hall

**Feb 10**  
 Charles Hall  
 Joe Burnsed  
 John Story  
 Olan Bacon  
 Charles Hall  
 Evan Hall



**Prayer List**

**Bob Emsweller** – at home and feeling better  
**Olan Bacon** – at home recuperating  
**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

**Nell Sewell** – in AR; cancer patient

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

**Felix Robinson** – in the hospital in Statesboro

**Grace Murphy** – sis in law of Donna Murphy – severe health problems

**Roland Mohsen** – home making health decisions. Several treatments in the future

**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

**Lisa Hursey** – car wreck and med problems

**Shirley Hursey** – med problems

**Olan Bacon** – ER Trip last weekend

**Kellie Kuntz** – pneumonia

**Roscoe Frisby** – Raytown, cancer patient

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Calendar for February** – on back pew

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

**Social** – not this Wednesday but next Wednesday, the 13th

**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



**SERVICE TIMES:**

**Sunday**

Bible Study

10:00am

Worship

11:00am

6:30pm

**Wednesday**

7:00pm

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

February 3, 2013

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

Dearly beloved in Christ, I salute you all in the Precious Name of Our Savior Jesus Christ. I appreciate you all individually and collectively for taking time to pray for us in Africa. The Lord is doing great work here. Recently, we heard in the news that the Islamic terrorist group tormenting the northern Nigeria is calling for cease fire with the Nigerian Military. I do not know how true that is, and how sincere they are to such a plea. That will not stop us from being on our knees all the time to the Lord. This week, one of my students lost their home to some Muslims who invaded their village and burnt down people homes. So, we do not know whether the call for peace is true.

The month of January is over, and it is obvious that the year is moving fast also. Therefore, whatever has to be done should be done now as time will slip off our hands without us knowing. As the situation became too hot in the extreme North for Christians, some of them moved and settled in several places. We have some in Jos. And a sister who escaped the massacre came with 3 of her children. She and other refugees are in the refugee camp in Jos. We are trying to see how to secure an accommodation for her. The good news

here is that a door has been opened for us to take the gospel to these refugees. We were thinking that Jos is unsafe place, but to our dismay, some people ran for safety in Jos. It gives us confidence again that we look with disdain could be so valuable to others. Plans are on top gear for to reach these people with the Gospel. We are planning on giving them some food items as well. Please, keep this ministry in prayers.

Last weekend, the youth group of the Ring Road Congregation joined us. We moved like a locust into the small village around the school. Nearly every house heard the gospel preached. I am again trying to coordinate this young people to help them be useful for God. I don't have the wisdom on how to go about this. Therefore, I request for prayers for God to grant me wisdom to help these young people. My ministry in Mazah, Foron and Toro continues. God is sustaining these places, especially Foron and Toro who have witnessed attacks severally. Thank you for being for Christ and remaining His own all the seasons. Keep praying for us.

Grace and Peace,

Tom

THINGS WE CAN ALL DO

**By: Bill Hamrick**

We live in a period known for a lack of personal involvement. It may be true that many people do not want to invest in the lives of others. However, we don't believe this is true of most people. When it comes to the work of the local congregation, the lack of involvement of much of the membership may come from some misconceptions.

There is the idea that all Christian service must come from organized programs of the church. This is not to downplay the importance of organization for it is still true that everyone's business often becomes nobody's business. However, there are so many good works that cannot be effectively formalized into church programs. We would like to suggest some things almost every member can do that will really make a difference.

- Be alert to visitors to all of the services. Don't become so involved with visiting the people you see all of the time that you fail to greet visitors. Introduce yourself and invite them to sit by you.
- Every congregation will have a few "loners" who do not mix well with others. Make a special effort to talk

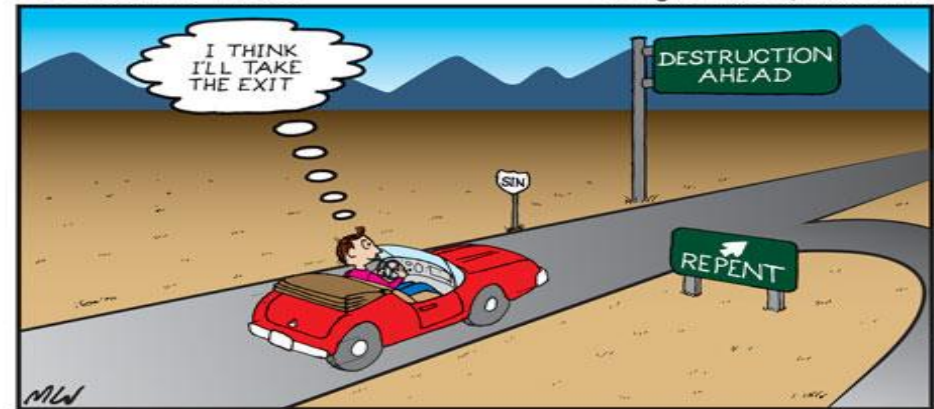
with them and make them feel noticed.

- Send a card to someone who is ill or has lost a loved one recently. Let them know that you are thinking about them.
- Write a note of appreciation to a teacher, song leader, youth worker, etc.
- Pray for the mission and benevolent work the congregation is supporting.
- Remember to pray for the elders and deacons that they might faithfully serve the congregation.
- Be alert for members who are not present and give them a call. If they are ill, let others know and offer to help in some way.

These are just a few ways that every member can serve even if they are not a part of an organized program. There will never be a lack of good things to do if we but open our eyes to see the opportunities. via *E-Bible Basic*, Lindsay, Okla.

### HIGHWAY EXIT

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. — MATTHEW 7:13 NIV

Tom, Dick and Harry went to a party. After the party they returned to the hotel. The hotel was 600 stories high. Unfortunately for them, the elevator was not working. They made a plan for the first 200 stories, Tom will crack jokes. The second 200 stories Dick will tell a happy story and lastly Harry will tell a sad story. They then started up the steps After 2 hours it was Harry's turn. He turned to the other two and said "Ok guys, here's my sad story. I forgot the keys downstairs.

**Via Booker, TX**