

Those Who Serve

	March 17	March 24
Opening Prayer	Rick Stocking	John Story
Song Leader	Joe Burnsed	Evan Hall
Communion	Joe Holloway	Rick Stocking
Assist	Joe Burnsed	Charles Hall
Assist	John Story	Mike Powell
Dismiss Services	Charles Hall	Evan Hall



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

Nell Sewell – in AR; cancer patient

Charles Stevens – recuperating at home in AR

Felix Robinson – in hospice

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 H ursey – med problems

Kellie Kuntz – pneumonia

Roscoe Frisby – Raytown, cancer patient

Mickey Barratta – Nick's Father – Severe Health Problems

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calendar for March – on back pew

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

Social –next week after morning worship. I know, the calendar says different...Sorry. If you bring food on the wrong day, I'll eat it. If you don't bring food on the right day, eat someone else's. It all works out.

Meetings – in two weeks after evening services. The calendar is right on this one.

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.

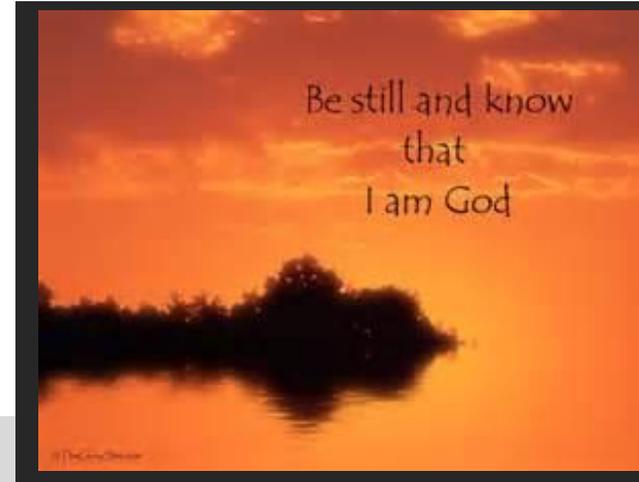
Call List –There are forms on the back pew if you want to be added to our call list. If you want a call made, call me or text me and I will make the call and schedule it. 912-667-0519

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://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



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

March 17, 2013

Email from Cameroon – rec'd March 14, 2013

Hello Sir,

How was your week? Hope it went well. As for me here in Cameroon, I am working hard to serve the gospel's cause along with the church. My service is needed all over the country. It is beyond my imagination or anticipation. I have preaching appointments here and there, and every now and then. I am not complaining; I am only communicating. In Cameroon, if somebody's service is in high demand, the person so needed is said to be a "hot cake". However, many people do not realize what it takes to be a hot cake in this life. But I have discovered that to be a "Hot Cake" one must be kept in (or at least pass through) the oven or microwave. People want to eat the hot cake, and they love it, but they don't seem to care about or understand the heated discomfort endured by the cake in the oven always be a hot cake. But thank God that He has His hands on the thermostat of our lives as he controls the amount of heat we preachers of the gospel have to go through to fulfill our assignment in this generation. Just about a year or so after coming to Cameroon, one of my former lecturers sent a mail to tell me that he had secured an employment opportunity for me to teach in West Nigeria Christian College, WNCC, in Abeokuta, Nigeria. I declined because I knew that Cameroon needs more than any other country. Even Nigeria, my own country, doesn't need me like Cameroon does. They may want my

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.

service but Cameroon needs my commitment

Buea church of Christ have a small Bible School called BCBS (Buea College of Biblical Studies) where 6 students are currently being trained to preach the gospel. They want me to assist in teaching the students some of the courses every Tuesday from 4-8 p.m. The preacher of the Buea Town Church of Christ who is currently serving as the director has pleaded with me to help in teaching. Except for transport fare to and from Buea, the director bro Otia Aaron regretted that no financial motivation is available, it is simply a service rendered to God.

The last week of every month we have the Fako/Littoral Gospel campaign usually which I have to go there and preach like I did at the just concluded Ekona gospel meeting (included in my last report) at the end of which 4 souls were baptized and 1 backslider restored.

Every Sunday 5-7 p.m, there is fire on radio in preaching and teaching. And now I have secured, solely at my own expense, another 1 hour (4-5 p.m) every Thursday beginning today 3/14/2013 evangelize the town. The Washing Point congregation has very little funds to sponsor these efforts, especially as the commitment to improve the place of worship is on-going. I love the ministry of the gospel with all my being, and so I'm always ready to sacrifice what I have to get things done for the sake of lost souls and of Christ who sacrificed His life for me. For instance, the radio preaching has been a great avenue to win souls. Evidence abounds: Bro. Fedinand Vumomse from Prebyterian, Bro Rene Narcisse from no church, sis. Dorothy Njah from New Life church and bro. Otto from no church, Bro. Cedrick from Catholic, Just to name a few, have all become Christians through the radio preaching. From all indications, many more souls are going to be drawn by the Lord into His kingdom through this program "Let the Bible Speak" which is a household name in Limbe. The Church is now well known and respected as people hear something different from the "different gospel" that denominational pastors and miracle actors have been saying.

Sir, you can see the work is daunting but I will not run away. I believe in success through perseverance. You need to have a big heart not to run away from Cameroon missions. You have to assist some young converts who have needs. You have to provide for your wife and two children. You have to set a good example in the collection from the saints. You have to give your time and attention to provide biblical counseling for troubled hearts.

I have some youths in the church to produce an audio CD of our accapella gospel music. I am still struggling to ensure that the video version of it will be done within this year. I would like to send a copy of the audio songs to you by DHL but it will cost me some money. You know DHL is very expensive. I am thing that I better try to do the video and before I send it to you and the churches in our WAM network and beyond. You have tracks like

1. He Reigns
2. Be with me Lord
3. Let there be Love
4. Shakuh (my favorite track)
5. Melody
6. Never give up
7. My only Hope
8. Living in Christ

Those are the songs we have put or record so far. But we intend to add more songs before the completion of the video. This is another project that involves a lot of work. I have to do it because it will edify the brotherhood worldwide.

Finally, I just want to appreciate your encouragement to me any time in this work of ministry. At your leisure, please do let me know your thoughts on some of the things I have shared with you about the work here and possibly some things you know which can help a young growing church to develop more fruitfully to maturity in Christ.

One more thing, please sir. We need more tracts for evangelism. I also thought you could help to connect me and the church with Truth for the world international, Truth for Today, and the Spiritual Sword magazine. What I mean is this: I wish to be receiving these materials to improve my study. As a public speaker in the mass media, I need to update my knowledge of the word and the skills to present it to the world. So I am simply asking to know what requirements I have to satisfy in order to be eligible to receive by post materials like:

1. Truth for the World international
2. Truth for Today
3. The Spiritual Sword
4. Searching for the Truth VCDs

and any other organization of the church in US that offers some free biblical materials for missionaries.

5. Is there any organization that helps churches of Christ to establish a gospel radio station? In the near future we will need our radio station. It seems I am becoming a little more skillful in radio preaching. I have a dream of a West African Mission FM someday. I need inputs and suggestions on how to go about it. I know it is possible. Thanks for your taking your time to read.

Edited-some of what Abasiana wrote was personal. I am publishing the rest as I am wondering if any reader here can provide some of what is requested. Much of which is free. If any of you have such materials around your church building, contact me and I will send the address

-Joe