

	January 11, 2015	January 18, 2015
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Brent Dozier	Charles Hall
<b>Song Leader</b>	Evan Hall	Joe Burnsed
<b>Communion</b>	Jeff Torney	Jim Wadsworth
<b>Assist</b>	Mike Reinitz	John Story
<b>Assist</b>	Wade White	Brent Dozier
<b>Dismiss Services</b>	Joe Holloway	Jeff Torney

#### Prayer List



**Bob Emsweller** – at home but in serious condition  
**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.

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

**Jay Williams** – Health problems

**Mark & Teresa Callaway** – health problems

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

**Elma Jean Roberson** – at home recuperating

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

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

**Kevin Stanley** – in Afghanistan

**Nancy Nubren** – Cancer patient

**Linda Wilson** – Cancer patient.

**Jeremy Cotham** – cancer patient and double amputee submitted by Sister Edith Cox

**Donna Holloway** – improving

**Scott Dyer** – in need of prayer

**Ruby Carter** – Stroke Patient

**Dorothy B Smith**

**Nick & Lisa Barratta** – ongoing health problems

**Jerry Emsweller** – cancer patient

**Amanda** – Clarisse Wadsworth's granddaughter – Cancer Patient

**LeeAnne** – health problems

**Juanita Fortner** – Cardiac Problems, Donna's aunt

**Olga Crownover** – Hospice Care in Little Rock; friend of the Holloways

**Ally Monrold** – almost 3 months old – health problems

#### Announcements

**Calendar for January** – on back table.

**Social** – this Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup>

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 5** – will be a tribute to Asian food. Don't miss it ... on the 18<sup>th</sup>

**Social in two weeks, the 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Meetings** – also in two weeks, the 25<sup>th</sup>

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

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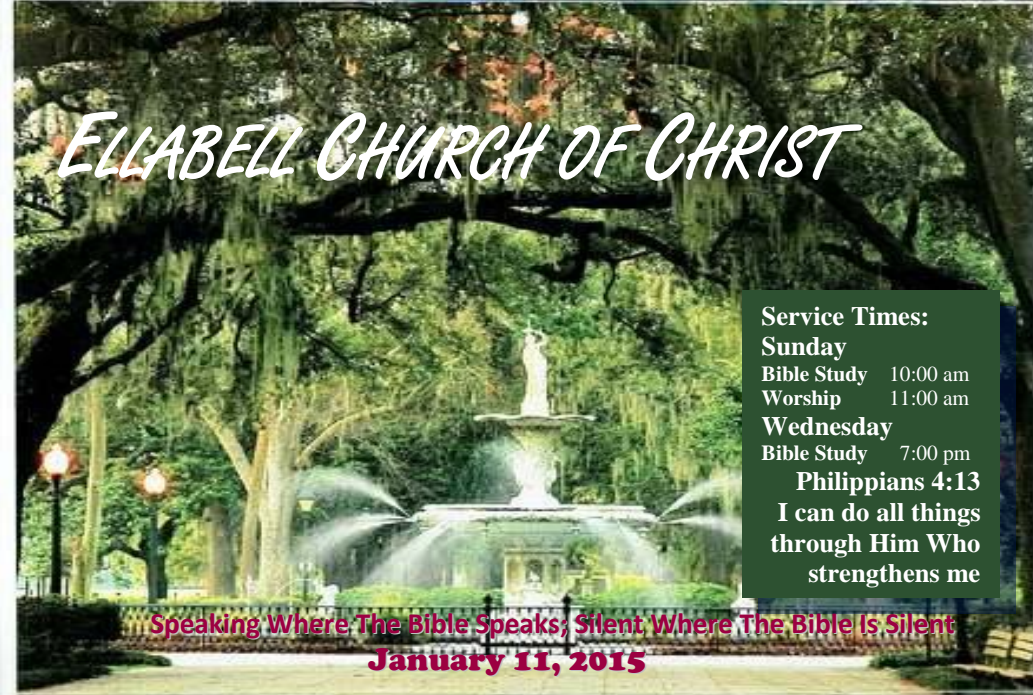
Brother Paul asks that you simply email him anything you want to appear on the Facebook page; pictures, announcements, etc.

**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



#### Service Times:

#### Sunday

Bible Study 10:00 am

Worship 11:00 am

#### Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

**Philippians 4:13**

**I can do all things  
through Him Who  
strengthens me**

## REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2014 (TOM EK POT JR)

Dear beloved in Christ, permit me to say Happy New Year to you all. It is a new month of a new year, with new hope and renewed aspiration. We pray that this year will truly be a happy one for every one of us. The year 2014 is now a history. Whatever we did not accomplish within that year is carried over to this year as God has given us another opportunity. We pray God will help us utilize every minute to His glory this year. Looking back into the year, we see the Hands of God in our lives. In Nigeria, several lives were destroyed by Islamic terrorists, but God kept us in His Hands. Apart from what is common to man, we were not affected in any way by the activities of these evil people. Our congregations started gaining strength, and some Christians made determination to keep the fight for Jesus on. Within the year 2014, I set up several studies, and I conducted several Bible classes, and preached several sermons within and outside Plateau State. My joy always is to see people coming to be become Christians. Beside this is the readiness of some serious minded Christians coming to learn the Bible in order to teach and preach unadulterated Gospel. The number of students in the School of Biblical Studies almost doubled this last year. Even though we lost a very dear student to cancer, God consoled us that everybody at the School was able to pick up within a short time.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2014, my colleague at the school of Biblical Studies and I left Jos to Delta State for an extension program of the School of Biblical Studies, which was to last for two weeks. We ended up staying in Delta State for three weeks, because of the request from some congregations for us to stay back and help them handle some lessons. The extension program was an exciting one, even though we did not have



any new students and two of our regular students did not come. We had a total of 13 students. An interesting thing about this class is that we have both old and young people. That suggests that there is hope for the congregations there tomorrow. The presence of the older ones gives the young ones some challenge.

Each day we were teaching for eight hours. Four hours in the morning with 1 hour break from 12noon, and four hours in afternoon. We close by 5pm because of the distance from where we put up and the distance the students had to return to their homes.



Although we always returned home tired and warned out, yet we were always happy because of the zeal of those men to study the Bible in order to teach sound doctrine. We were always looking up to the next day. I post here one of our class sessions.



We had the classes in the congregation located in Oshian, Agbor – Delta State. We solicit your prayers for this congregation, because of the impending danger that is facing their building. This congregation is located on this street that is destroyed by gully erosion. The distance between

the end of this gully and the church building is just one pole. If the Government does not come in immediately, the building will cave in as some of the building you seeing on the picture. Rainfall in this region is very high, as we were told, the damage you are seeing in the picture only happened within two weeks. Our nation being what it is, the government is very silent about it. It may amaze you to know that some people are still living in those homes as they have nowhere to go. I have also put the picture of the congregation during worship.

Back in Jos, I was able to hold my Friday Bible Class with Mazah congregation only one day, and then I worshipped with Foron congregation once in December. I appreciate you all for your prayers and assistance. The month of December brought tough challenges to us. While I was in Delta, my son Goodnews fell on a rock near my house while searching for water, and broke his two front teeth. Well, my wife was able to take to him a clinic that gave him first aid. I did not

know the seriousness of the problem until I return. The breakage affected his pulp. Already, he was getting infection in his gum. I took him to a specialist hospital that started treatment immediately. His treatment, feeling of composite and the crowning of the teeth is costing us \$1000. I am not so bothered about how much we spend provided he is able to regain his health. My wife became sick also. I did not know that it was that serious. We were doing some self medication since we only thought it was cough and sinuses. Within few days the situation became so bad that breathing was a problem. She was admitted in a hospital. Test results showed that she was heavily infected with pneumonia, malaria, and typhoid. Each of these sicknesses is dangerous enough on its own. Then when they come together, it was tough on her.

We thank you all for your understanding. The brethren in Jos came together to pray for her, even as you were also praying over there. Thank you so much for standing by us through thick and thin. She has been discharged, even though she has not fully recovered. We are hopeful that God will complete the healing while she is at home taking the prescribed medication. The initial drugs were intra-venous injections that were so painful, but now she is taking oral drugs. The doctor warned us not to hesitate to a minute if the situation is not progressively improving. Jos is so chilli now, so she has to be most of the time inside the house with heavy clothing. We trust that God will heal her. Also with us is my wife's sister who had stroke last year June. We took her to a hospital again. Brethren, glory be to God because she has started walking after 6 months. Even though her walk is not firm because her BP is still high, we believe that God will perfect her health. Her husband is not a Christian, he believes so much in traditional beliefs and practices. He had stopped her from getting help from hospital so that she will be treated traditionally, the situation was deteriorating. But we thank God she is getting back herself. This is worth celebrating to God's glory. This sickness has actually brought her closer to God. She promised that she wants to join me in evangelism once she is fully recovered. She feels that she had wasted her life and energy in doing things only for herself. But she has realized that life without God is vanity. Please, join me in praying for her.

Brethren, when I look at the grace of God upon my life, I do not see any reason I should not look for more opportunities to tell people about Christ. I am getting more calls from Toro. I have to return to Toro this year. I will still have to help the young Foron congregation along with the congregation at the University. I can't do any of these without God backing me. But I can all things through Christ Who strengthens. Thank you all for your support. This would not have been possible without your assistance. I pray God will increase His blessings upon your life and that of your family this year and always.

