

# Ellabell Church of Christ

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

**October 25, 2015**

Charles Hall  
Wade White  
Joe Burnsed  
Jim Wadsworth  
Jeff Torney  
Jim Wadsworth

**November 1, 2015**

Joe Holloway  
Joe Burnsed  
Charles Hall  
Wade White  
Mike Reinitz  
Evan Hall

## Prayer List



**Bob Emsweller** – at home with health problems  
**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.  
**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  
**Donna Holloway** - in need of prayers  
**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  
**Ally Monroid** – almost 3 months old – health problems  
**Mike Powell** -back trouble  
**Shirley Avant** – Kim Burnsed's Mother. In St Joseph's-possible seizure  
**Kitty Myers** – Brain Cancer  
**Ruby Carter** – Home  
**Mickey Barratta**  
**Lauren Carter**  
**Jacob Brian** – Cancer Patient  
**Brenda Kelly** – in Hospice  
**Claudie Lyons** –Joe Burnsed's boss  
**Ashley Becker-Leukemia**-daughter of Clarisse's coworker  
**Patricia Kramer-Sue's sister**-fall and rehab in Florida  
**Joe Holloway Sr.** – Hospital then home then hospital then home  
**Sue Holloway** – home recuperating  
**Lisa Barratta**  
**Mike Pranschke**-husband of PaulaReinitz's coworker- possible kidney transplant  
**Betty Ingram**-at home with her daughter under Hospice care

## Announcements

**Calendar for October** – on back table

**SOCIAL – TODAY – Super Sunday- both services and a social! Bible Class Too!!**

**MEETINGS – next week after evening services**

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

## 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

Speaking Where The Bible Speaks; Silent Where The Bible Is Silent  
**October 25, 2015**

<https://www.flipkey.com/blog/2014/09/12/best-fall-east-coast-vacation-spots/>

## There Was Once a Little Boy

Once there was a little boy who lived in a rural community with his mother, father, and younger brother. This family was not affiliated with any church, and rarely attended religious services of any kind. In the summer, some neighbor children would invite this little boy and his younger brother to go with them to VBS at the church of Christ in the city. "Going to church" was a new and exciting experience for this little third-grade boy, and he would stand at the end of his driveway waiting for the neighbors to come by and pick him up. When the neighbor's station wagon stopped at his house, there would already be several other children in the car who had also been invited to the Bible school.

When this little boy first heard the story of Jesus from a sweet, God-fearing woman, and when he first learned of and sang about the preciousness of the B-I-B-L-E, it was a life-molding occurrence. As the week of Bible classes came to a close, this little boy and his brother would plead with their parents to take them to "church" the following Sunday. Sometimes their parents would take them, sometimes not. But the neighbors kept calling each summer for the next few years. And the station wagon would always be filled with eager children. For the little third-grade boy, this week of VBS would be his "church" for the year.

The pleading, however, finally paid off. The little boy's mother began attending the services of the church in their rural community each Sunday,

and the little boy was able to go to Bible classes. Before very long, the mother obeyed the gospel and became a Christian.

Where are the neighbor children now who invited the little boy and his brother to VBS? They are both faithful members of the church, married, and have little children of their own. Where are the parents who picked up countless numbers of neighborhood children and diligently brought them to Bible School? The father now serves as a faithful Elder in that church. What became of the godly woman who first taught that little boy about Jesus? Though aged, she is still just as sweet and godly, and has exercised the same good influence over numbers of other

Little children. The little third-grade boy's mother is still faithful to the Lord, attending the same congregation where she became a Christian. The little boy's brother is a faithful member of the church, serving as a deacon. And the little boy himself? Well, he became a Christian at age 14, and now preaches for the Fry Road Church, where he is trying his best to find other little boys and girls, men and women, who will listen to the story of Jesus!

And that little boy was the man who wrote this piece — Mark White

## Drop-Outs

“Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity.” -- Jesus, *Parable of the Sower*, Luke 8:14

Frequently members of the church, apparently for no reason at all, quit attending the services. This is usually preceded by a period of indifference and spasmodic attendance. Upon closer investigation it will be found that back of it all there is usually a hindering cause. It may be that the individual has become in some entanglement with sin, so that he feels so uncomfortable when studying God's Word in class, or listening to a gospel sermon, that he prefers to quit attending, rather than be constantly reminded of his ungodliness. His sin may be that of gambling, drinking, filthy speech, unethical business transactions, or some other equally

sinful thing. There are many reasons why an individual should not act so. The following are some of them:

1) He owes God a life of service, and if every day that he lives upon the earth were spent in faithful service, he could never compensate for all that God has done for him.

2) Eternity is too long, hell is too hot, and heaven is too beautiful to spend life here in pursuit of things that will cause one to be lost.

3) Setting the proper example before others is the obligation of every professing Christian. It would be tragic to so live as to miss heaven, but it would be doubly tragic to lead others to the place of eternal suffering. Be an example to your family and friends.

4) No one has a lease on life. James said, 'Life is as a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away' (James 4:14). No doubt many will be lost who intended to do something about their condition, but death overtook them before they had prepared to meet God. Don't let it happen to you!

We need drop-ins, not drop-outs. Be faithful to the Lord when the weather is bad, when you feel bad, when it is tough to do so. Never surrender convictions to the evil of dropping out of Christ.

From <http://www.vscoc.org/Bulletin/dr/Dropouts.htm>

