

ELABELL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Opening Prayer
Song Leader
Communion
Assist
Assist
Dismiss Services

August 28, 2016
Charles Hall
Joe Holloway Sr
Frank Howard
Kenneth Jenks
Mike Reinitz
Joe Holloway Sr

September 4, 2016
Evan Hall
Wade White
Jim Wadsworth
Charles Hall
Kenneth Jenks
Joe Burnsed



Prayer List

Bob Emsweller – at home recovering
Jerry Emsweller – at home
Darlene Monreal – Mike Powell's daughter. health problems
Gregory Dozier – family problems
Sandy Parker – at home with her parents.

Edith Cox – at home – former member of Ellabell
Elma Jean Roberson – at home recuperating
Donna Holloway – in need of prayers.
Scott Dyer – in need of prayer
Nick & Lisa Barratta – ongoing health problems
Amanda – Clarisse Wadsworth's granddaughter – Cancer Patient
Mike Powell – home after surgery
Lauren Carter
Sara Carter – friend of the Holloways. Cancer patient
Tabitha Niedlinger
Paul Kuntz – back troubles continue
Richard & Ruby Denny – Paula Reinitz's parents – Heart trouble
Patsy Scarborough – Donna Holloway's Mom

Announcements

Calendar for September – ready and printed

Super Sunday – TODAY!!!!!!!

Meetings – next week after evening services

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

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

Bring Items for the Pantry. It is about empty

Service Times:

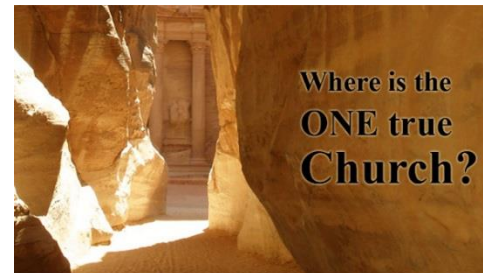
Sunday
Bible Study 10:00 am
Worship 11:00 am
Wednesday
Bible Study 7:00 pm
Philippians 4:13
I can do all things
through Him Who
strengthens me

Speaking Where The Bible Speaks; Silent
Where The Bible Is Silent

August 28, 2016

http://meumundoemnavio.blogspot.com/2010_05_01_archive.html

HOW DO I TELL MY FRIENDS ABOUT THE ONE CHURCH



Where is the
ONE true
Church?

This is the question for consideration and study. Allow me to suggest four ways to communicate effectively this vital Bible truth.

Speak Intelligently – this requires *Study!*
"Study to show thyself

approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Tim. 2:15).
May we never be guilty of misusing or misrepresenting

God's Word. Speaking intelligently requires a knowledge of what to say, but it also includes knowing how to say it. Too many people have been driven from the truth by well-meaning Christians either through poor attitudes or poor



selection of words. Colossians 4:6 says, "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, so that ye may know how ye ought

to answer every man." Jesus spoke in words that the common man could understand (Mk. 12:37). Use words that are easily understood and create an interest in learning more.

Speak *Incrementally* — don't try to teach everything you know (or think you know) in one sitting. Sometimes in our zeal to teach, we overload our audience with too much information. Remember! Most of our friends have never considered the idea that denominationalism is anti-biblical and an abomination before God! The "one church is as good as another" idea has been taught to them all their lives. Even Jesus practiced this principle. In John 16:12, He told the twelve, "I have many things to say unto you, but ye cannot hear them now." These men had been with Jesus, heard His teachings, and witnessed His miracles for three years, yet Jesus knew the limitations of their understanding. Paul writes similarly to the Corinthians in 1 Corinthians 11:34.

Speak *Illustratively* — "A picture is worth a thousand words." The same is true in teaching. We all love to hear folks who can "spin yarns" and place you in the middle of their stories as if you were an invisible spectator. Great teachers and preachers do the same. Consider Jesus' first recorded sermon in Matthew 5-7. Jesus pictures His audience as the light of the world and a city on a hill (5:13-16). Not coincidentally, He was on a mountain at the time. He illustrated the hypocrisy of the religious leaders (6:1-8) and the worthlessness of worry (6:25-34). He illustrated using hyperbole (an intended exaggeration—7:1-5). He spoke of narrow and broad roads (7:13-14). of sheep and

wolves, figs and thistles (7:15-20), of firm and foundering foundations (7:21-27).

In like fashion, the church is pictured in many ways. It is called a kingdom in Matthew 13, meaning it has a king, subjects, a law, and a boundary. In 1 Corinthians 3, Paul describes the church as a family (v. 1), a field or vineyard (v. 9), a building (vv. 9-14), and as a temple (vv. 16-17). All of these characteristics of the church can be explored individually.

Finally, speak *Insistently* — "Buy the truth and sell it not" (Prov. 23:23). Do not compromise the truth. Where the Bible speaks definitively on a subject, we must be firm in our resolve concerning that truth. The Bible speaks clearly as to the number of churches having a scriptural right to exist...ONE! Ephesians 4:4 says there is one body. Earlier in that same epistle, Paul equated that body with the church (Eph. 1:23). Later, in Ephesians 5:23-32, Paul uses 12 nouns and pronouns to describe the church...all of them *singular*. This should settle the matter once and for all!

We must not be ashamed to say what the Bible says on this or any other subject (Mk. 8:38). Let us all prepare ourselves to speak as oracles of God (1 Pet. 4:11). Anything less is to do God and His Word a terrible injustice.

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