

# ELLABELL CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

**January 10, 2016**

Mike Reinitz  
 Jeff Torney  
 Jim Wadsworth  
 Joe Burnsed  
 Evan Hall  
 Charles Hall

**January 17, 2016**

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

## Prayer List



**Bob Emsweller** – at home recovering,; broken hip  
**Jerry Emsweller**-heart trouble  
**Darlene Monreal** – Mike Powell's daughter. health problems  
**Gregory Dozier** – family problems  
**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  
**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  
**Mickey Barratta**  
**Lauren Carter**  
**Jacob Brian** – Cancer Patient  
**Brim Kelly** – now out of Hospice and in rehab – prayer works  
**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.** – at home  
**Lisa Barratta**  
**Mike Pranschke**-husband of PaulaReinitz's coworker- possible kidney transplant  
**Kim Burnsed's Father**  
**Family of Dalene Bragg**  
**Sara Carter**-friend of the Holloways. Cancer patient

## Announcements

**Calendar for December**– on back table-

**Food Truck from Mount Dora** will be here in February. Please bring items to the building

**Social**-this Wednesday, the 13<sup>th</sup>

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 5** – next week. New Year's Traditions

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

**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**

**January 10, 2016**

## REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2015 (TOM EKPOT JR)

Greetings to you all in Jesus name. We give glory to God who has seen us this far in our ministry and daily struggle. May God bless you all who stood by us through thick and thin, praying for us and making sacrifices to support us do the mission of our LORD.

The year has not been easy; the good thing is that God has been with us at every turn of our endeavor. We salute you again and again. The Northern Nigeria has been incredibly dangerous. Several congregations have been scattered. But some of them are still holding to their faith. Your prayers have sustained us all this while. We say thank you once again.

The month of December was one hectic month in my calendar. I left Jos to Ogoja, Upper part of Cross River State, to conduct marriage seminar in a local congregation in the village. See the pictures below. It was well attended. People from neighboring villages came to be part of the program. The people in this village are predominantly farmers. But I could see real love for Christ in them. Their commitment once again challenged me. But I was again broken to hear them recount

their history. They started in a thatch house, but today, they have a building of their own. I was encouraged.



I then left from there to Agbor in Delta State, where I spent two weeks teaching preachers, teachers and church elders Leadership in the Local Church and the books of Romans and Galatians. It was a huge success. See the picture below of one of the class sessions. The congregation we met for the two weeks is threatened by serious gully erosion that is almost taking the building. Please, pray with us that the



Nigerian Government will listen to their plight and intervene in the catastrophe before it becomes too late. Some buildings are already taken. This congregation may not have money to procure any land in this area again as the prices of land is far beyond their reach. Please pray for them. The two weeks training was another pleasant moment. The faith of the old men who came for the program encouraged me.

In my last report, I expressed thanks to God on behalf of the improvement in the security situation in the region of Foron. Well, soon after that report the village came under attack again. We should not be tired of praying for these people. The small congregation is still on with their faith.

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of December, I had to travel to the South again to attend my father 80<sup>th</sup> birthday ceremony, which came up on the 26<sup>th</sup>. My father has gone through difficult times. But God has been gracious to keep him alive till now. He is still preaching, going around to meet his prospects. When I looked at him this time, I recall the moments he would climb his motor cycle under the rain to visit his prospects and conduct Gospel meetings. He cannot do all that now. I remember King Solomon's advice in the book of Ecclesiastes that there is time for everything. I determined there and then to recommit my time, energy and resources to God's work while it is still day, because night comes that no one could work. See my dad's birthday pictures below.



On behalf of myself and my family, I say thank you all for standing by us all this while. May God bless you all richly. Permit me to use this medium to say HAPPY NEW YEAR to you all. May God see us through the coming year successfully. May God extend his territory and shrink that of Satan in our lives. Once again, God bless you all.



**I can fit one picture from New Year's Eve at Ellabell. Look for more in the future. Keep looking right here !!!  
-Joe**