

Morning Services, July 27, 2008

Opening Prayer: Donald Jones
Reading: Jamey Felkins (Ezek. 37:1-12)
Table-East
Tommy McElrath
Justin Welch
Mike Tolbert
Walt Sauser

Closing Prayer: Brad Martin
Communion Prayer: Dud Owens
Table-West
Alan Keith
Michael Montgomery
Alex Archer
Wes McBroome

Evening Services

Opening Prayer: Donnie Brooks
Hall Security: Alan Keith

Closing Prayer: Robin Castleberry

Morning Services, August 3, 2008

Opening Prayer: Perry Jones
Reading: Lanny Shirley (Daniel 4:28-35)
Table-East
Bill Swindle
Jimmy Felkins
Ken Jones
Floyd Howard

Closing Prayer: Jamey Felkins
Communion Prayer: Dale Moody
Table-West
Carroll Thetford
Bill Inboden
Don Coggin
Kevin James

Evening Services

Opening Prayer: Arvis Shirley
Hall Security: Darrell Parks

Closing Prayer: Kenny James

ELDERS: Danny Blalock (935-7693), Donald Jones (932-7654), Arvis Shirley (935-7574), Carroll Thetford (935-3629)
DEACONS: Gynn Arnold (972-0305), Rick Griffin (932-2724), Kenny James (932-5975), Alan Keith (932-5075), Wilson Lane (935-7649), Tommy McElrath (935-9707), John Owens (935-5857), Darrell Parks (935-4664), Gaylon Tate (972-1252)
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MISSIONS: ASU Student Center, Children's Homes, Crowley's Ridge College, Families First, Africa, Truth for Today
SERVICES SCHEDULE: SUNDAY: Bible Classes, 9:00am, Worship, 9:50am and 5:30pm, WEDNESDAY: Classes, 7:00pm
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July 27, 2008 (30/08)

Alex Archer's and **Jessica Griffin's** wedding was, as the renowned minister officiating it would say, "lovely." An incredible amount of work and expense goes into such affairs, but it is *a day of days* created just for them. God says it is to be once, for always. **Alex** and **Jessica** are highly active, servant-hearted young Christians. It will be a joy to watch them grow together as a family and mature more and more as disciples. Blessings, blessings... is the prayer.

The Thetford Shepherd Group had their first fellowship gathering last week. Warm and friendly. I believe the Shepherd groups have great potential to bless us by drawing us much closer.

Thanks to **Bill, Rhonda,** and **Lauren Keith** for inviting us to their birthday party for **Anita** and **Alan** (who said they were the same age) Sunday night.

Blessings on you as you brighten your world with His light.

Our day last Sunday had us hearing of the good things Crowley's Ridge College has done and is planning for the future. All my thirty-plus years in northeast Arkansas, I have considered CRC to fill a niche for students who wanted to stay around their "homeplace," and especially for some not yet prepared for the big wide world (either academia or adulthood). It has filled its role well. It will be exciting to see it venture in this different direction. Bono, as of last night, contributed \$655 on CRC Day. If you'd like to donate to the college, just hand it to me and I'll get it where it needs to go.

We were blessed to have **Mary Ann Miller** respond saying that spiritual matters in her life had been neglected and asking that we pray with her and for her to follow Jesus better. What a joy and privilege! She will be having cataract surgery shortly on her eyes, one surgery tomorrow, then the other as soon as the first one is well. She asked that we pray that all will be well. And we shall.

*A Month of
Sunday Evening
Prayers*
with Kent McDaniel
August 3, 10, 17, 24

"You are the light of the world, glowing... in the night for all to see." [Matthew 5:14]

NEWS & NOTES--July 27, 2008

RESPONSE: **Mary Ann Miller** was restored Sunday. She also asks for prayers concerning upcoming cataract surgeries (first one tomorrow, second one when the first is well).

HOSPITAL/SICK: **Frieda Williams**--surgery this week; **Phyllis Russell**-SB-2217; **Lola Colburn (Kelly Miles' mother)** recovering from surgery; **Landon Coats** (infant child of **Brian & Amanda Coats**)-Baptist Hospital in Little Rock; **Eugene Fletcher** (**Connie Henson's** brother).

PRAYERS: **Danny & Pam Blalock, Kay Clifft, Sybil Griffin, Shannon Cooper, Andrea Tate, Bryan Nichols, the Van Tate family; Doug Puckett, Earl Baker, Maxine Rose, Lavern Tate.**

BRIDAL SHOWER TODAY... for **Sarah VanEvera** (bride elect of **Landon Thomas**), from 3:00-5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Hostesses are **Carolyn Cooper, Rhonda Keith, Glenda & Lisa Lane, Stefanie Mahan, Bilinda Norman, Pam Tate, Amy & Marsha Tolbert, and Mary Alice Swindle.**

WEDNESDAY (7/30): Speaker: **Tony Sauser;** Menu: **BBQ!** Please bring side items.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Aug. 10--Elders and Deacons meeting at 4:00pm.
- Aug. 12--Nursing Home Birthday Party, Ridgecrest (Hwy. 141 N), at 2:00pm
- Aug. 17--39ers going out to eat after morning services.

BLOOD DRIVE: August 3rd from 11:00am till 3:00pm (Fellowship Hall). See **Jan Shirley** if you can assist her with this.


PINK BABY SHOWER: for **Jodi Hazlewood,** August 17 from 2:00-3:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall.

THANK YOU NOTES: Thanks for all the calls, visits, cards, and food while I was down after my surgery. We are so blessed to have a church family so loving. Thanks again. --**Andrea Tate & Family**

A heart felt "Thank You" to everyone who helped me when I fell and also the ones who wanted to help. Thanks also for the prayers, calls, and cards. --**Aunean Etter**

UPCOMING AREA MEETINGS:

Bay Church of Christ August 3-6, 7:00 nightly



Peanut Butter and Jelly

Our pantry is low on all types of food.

RECORD
Week of 7/20/08

AM Class -----	140
AM Worship -----	255
PM Worship -----	96
Wed. Class -----	107
Contribution -----	\$4,929.00



SUNDAY
AUGUST 3, 2008
11:00AM-3:00PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE
SEE JAN SHIRLEY

A LITTLE MORE FROM YOUR MINISTER...

I have about as soft a heart in regards to giving away money and food as anyone you'll ever find. But I had someone call Sunday afternoon I said no to. There are people who work us and they are anything but "angels" sent by God to test our love. A woman called asking for food. I told her that we dealt with that during office hours. She said that she had no transportation and that she needed us to bring it to her. When I asked where she lived, she said Jonesboro. I told her that as a policy we limit ourselves to helping folks in Bono and leave Jonesboro folks to Jonesboro churches. She said that she was a "faithful church-goer" herself. When I asked where, she covered the phone (clumsily) and I overheard her to ask her husband, "Where do we go to church?" When she named a Jonesboro church, I asked her had they asked that church for help. "Yes," she said, "but they were putting a roof on and were short on funds." I told her based on what I had learned from her, we wouldn't help. Her parting shot was to ask if I thought God would be pleased with me denying her help. I think in this case... probably so. Benevolence is a tough business that makes me shake my head. If some folks worked as hard at work as they do at scamming, they'd be millionaires.

Together with our parents we
Sarah Elizabeth Van Evera
and
Landon Wesley Thomas
request the honour of your presence
as we exchange marriage vows
on Saturday, the second of August
at 5:00 in the evening
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