



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship	9:00 A.M.
Bible Study	10:15 A.M.
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 P.M.
Wed. Night Bible Study	7:00 P.M.

THE RECORD

Sunday Morning Worship	476
(In person 320, YouTube 156)	
Sunday Morning Bible Class	331
(In person 284, YouTube 47)	
Sunday Evening Worship	356
(In person 269, YouTube 87)	
Wed. Night Service	189
(In person 121, YouTube 68)	

Contribution	\$20,803
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RADIO AND TV

LIGHT FOR THE WAY (Speaker: Charles Cochran)
Sunday 10:30 A.M.
WFLI Channel 53—THE CW or may also be seen at:
<https://www.youtube.com/@LightfortheWay>

GOSPEL BROADCASTING NETWORK

Website: www.gbntv.org
“Live Stream” available 24/7
EPB Cable TV Channel 152

GOOD NEWS TODAY

WFLI Channel 53—COMCAST 6 & EPB 6
Sunday 7:30 A.M.
EPB Channel 152, GBN
Saturday, 8:00 A.M.; Sunday, 8:00 A.M. & 10 P.M.

INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL HOUR

WFLI Channel 53—Comcast 6 & EPB 6
Sunday, 7:00 A.M.; Hosted by Jeff Archey
WLMR 1450AM – Chatt. TN
Sun. 8:30 P.M. M-F @ 7:15 P.M. Sat. 3 P.M.
WLMR 103.3FM – Chatt. TN
Sun. 8:30 P.M. M-F @ 7:15 P.M. Sat. 3 P.M.

SEARCH

WDEF, Channel 12

EAST RIDGE EVENTS

WEEKLY: BENEVOLENCE PROGRAM

Tuesdays 8 A.M.-2 P.M.

LADIES' CLASS—Tuesdays at 6pm in
the Connect Room.

Y. A. H. BIBLE STUDY—Thursdays at
10am in the Connect Room.

CONTACT ELDER:

OCTOBER: Bill Clements
423-504-7331

WEDNESDAY, October 7, 2026

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## SPIRITUAL SWORD LECTURESHIP

### ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!

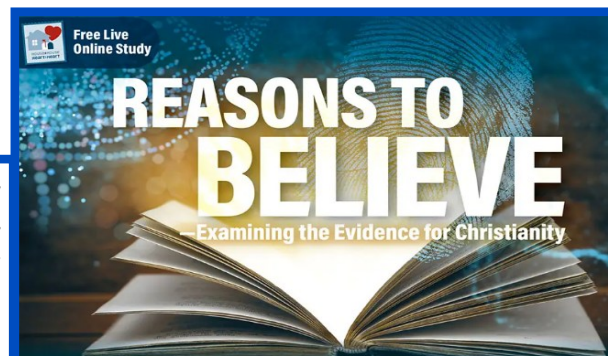
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card fees).



PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY  
FOR THOSE WHO ARE SERVING  
IN THE ARMED FORCES, PRO-  
TECTING OUR FREEDOM, FOR  
OUR FIRST RESPONDERS, AND FOR THE  
LEADERS OF OUR COUNTRY!

We are glad to announce a new House to House/Heart to Heart study  
every Tuesday night called “REASONS TO BELIEVE—Examining the Evi-  
dence for Christianity.” The study is conducted by Kyle Butt. You may  
find it online by going to the following link:

<https://www.housetohouse.com/study>



# STIR UP ONE ANOTHER TO LOVE & GOOD WORKS

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#### FOREIGN:

- Clinton Church of Christ (Australia)
- Kenya
- Nazareth Church of Christ (Israel)
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Sosnogorsk, Russia

#### STATESIDE:

- Greater Chatt. Christian Services
- House to House/Heart to Heart
- International Gospel Hour
- Memphis School of Preaching
- In Search of the Lord's Way

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# FALL FESTIVAL

FOOD | HAY RIDE | GAMES | BOUNCY HOUSE | TRUNK OR TREAT

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24**  
5:00 PM — 7:00 PM  
951 MCBRIEN ROAD | EAST RIDGE, TN



What a wonderful week of lectures! We are enjoying the Annual Spiritual Sword Lectures! The following article reminds us of how quickly time passes!

~ Charlie

### SUMMER IS OVER

You notice it one evening. Wasn't it just a little while ago that it got dark later? Is that leaf on a tree starting to turn the slightest bit orange? Your son or daughter is telling you that she needs to go to Walmart to get school supplies. They are moaning because they have already started from summer break. School again! Summer is over!

It can't be over. It just seems like a day or two ago that you were picking your child up on the last day of school. You were planning where you and the family would go on vacation. Your family was mapping out all the fun things you were going to do. The days were hot and long. There were evening barbecues. Lemonade flowed like the Missouri River. There were picnics galore! The Fourth of July fireworks were beautiful. It was the good life.

Where did the summer go? It can't be time to begin thinking about the fall. It can't be time to start thinking about frost, early evenings, and apple cider. Saturdays will bring college football and Sundays the professionals. The World Series will be on in just a couple of weeks. Soon the air will turn cold and we'll begin go think about winter.

There's one thing for sure. Time passes quicker than we expect. Suddenly we look around and it is gone. "Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away" (Jas. 4:14). Time passes through our hands like sand. We have a handful one minute and the next minute it has run through our fingers. The key to life is not to try to squeeze more into it but to make the most of the time we do have. And the only way to make the most of our lives is to be at peace with God. Jesus tells us to come to Him to make the most of our short stay on the earth (Matthew 11:28-29).

How are you using your time?

~ by Grady Scott

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**SHERRY ANTHONY** had a procedure on her neck September 30. She is recuperating at home.

**MELISSA TINKER** is recuperating following hip replacement surgery.

**GUS STONE** is recuperating following surgery Oct. 1.

**ELIJAH WEST**, foster son of Mickie & Carrie West, is now under palliative care.

**DAVID PARKER**, Jacqueline's husband, is recuperating following shoulder surgery Oct. 1.

**MEGHAN SAWYERS** has been diagnosed with Neuroendocrine Carcinoma, a rare aggressive type of cancer. She is in ICU at this time. Cards may be sent to her at 103 Braden Court, Durham, NC 27713.

## LONGTERM PRAYER REQUESTS

Margaret Brown, Chanda Busby, Charles Campbell, Lucien Claiborne, D.A. Clark, Gayla Collins, Elizabeth Cook, John Cooley, Lorraine Curtain, Katrina Edgecomb, Bea Elliott, Linda Griffin, Joe Hampton, Eudene Hannah, Don/Pam Hayes, Phillip Hill, Yvonne Griffith, Sally Jackson, Benita Lakey, Matt Lane, Asonia Martin, Wanda Mathews, Isabella Orman, Richard/Sara Rogers, Jim Tidmore, Nelda Twitchell, Glenn/Louellen Westbrook, Winston Wilcox and Tucker Williams.

**We will be having a zoom meeting to discuss the Fall Festival. The zoom meeting will be Monday night October 12 at 9 p.m. Epifanio, Chris Wehman, and Jared Hueter will be on the meeting and anyone who wants to help please see Epifanio or text him.**

### YOUNG ADULTS

- **Oct. 19 - Better Monday—Bible Study in the Connect Room**



**Team 2** will meet in Classroom 6 Sunday, October 11, one hour prior (5pm) to our evening worship service. If you would like to participate in writing encouragement cards, please join us!

### COMPASSION CARD MINISTRY

If you have a local family member, neighbor, co-worker or friend that you would like to add to our Card Ministry mailing list, go to:

[ercoc.com/cards](http://ercoc.com/cards)



### Stuff From Steve

#### Young at Heart:

Due to the Spiritual Sword Lectureship, there will be no class tomorrow morning (10/8). We will resume our study of Psalms on 10/15. We will have lunch out together after class at Cracker Barrel in

East Ridge.

#### Single/Single Again:

The next Bible Study will be on Tuesday, October 20 at 6:00 p.m. in classroom 7.

#### Veterans of Faith Sunday AM Class:

I will be out of town for two Sundays this month (the 11<sup>th</sup> and the 25<sup>th</sup>). I was unable to recruit fill-in teachers, so the class will remain in the auditorium or go to Steve Grubb's class on those two Sundays.

Till next time—Steve

### BENEVOLENT ROOM NEEDS:

We are in need of the following items for the Benevolent Room.....

Cereal, Soup, Chili  
Queen-size sheets, blankets  
Men's small/medium long-sleeve shirts  
Men's & women's sweat pants (all sizes)



**The shepherds want to encourage you to have an additional spiritual meal each week by finding the time to listen to a chosen lesson.**

**Final Charge: What Kind of Church Will We Be? A Final Call from the Churches of the New Testament**

**GLENN COLLEY**

<https://bit.ly/4rTMnnl>

### CONGREGATION-WIDE FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 30 from 5:30-8:30pm is the 6th Annual Fall Fellowship hosted by the Hueters at their house. There will be a spooky dessert competition and some spooky new things to share! Bring a flashlight and camping chairs, and please wear closed-toe shoes.

**PLEASE RSVP ON LIGHTPOST!**

## UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Reminders are posted on the Lightpost app. The Youth Calendar and other events will be under the "Groups" tab, which will take you to the "Youth" section. Also, all events, such as PEP, Teen Singing, Recess, Bible Camp, Youth Retreat, and other information pertaining to the Youth group, will be posted in this section on Lightpost.

**ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FOR GRADES 7-12**

⇒ **Sunday, October 11 is Teen Singing. The singing is hosted by East Ridge beginning at 2:30pm.**



The campout formerly known as the "Father/Son Campout" will be held at the Womack's mountain-top home Friday, November 6 beginning at 5pm until Saturday, November 7 until noon. Meals will be furnished. This event is

open to all men and boys. Neil Brooks needs to know who plans to attend just Friday night or both Friday and Saturday so that he will know how many he will be feeding. Contact Neil at 706-978-6077 to RSVP.

