



**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Sunday Morning Worship	9:00 A.M.
Bible Study	10:15 A.M.
Sunday Evening Service	5:00 P.M.
Wed. Night Bible Study	7:00 P.M.

**THE RECORD**

Sunday Morning Worship (In person 253, YouTube 111)	364
Sunday Morning Bible Class (In person 213, YouTube 38)	251
Sunday Evening Worship (In person 205, YouTube 65)	270
Wed. Night Service (In person 226, YouTube 85)	311
Contribution	\$18,326

**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](http://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  
 Sunday, 8:00 A.M.

**EAST RIDGE EVENTS**

**WEEKLY: BENEVOLENCE PROGRAM**

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

**LADIES' CLASS**—Class will resume March 10.

**Y. A. H. BIBLE STUDY**—Class meets each Thursday at 10am in the Connect Room

**CONTACT ELDER:**

February—Jared Hueter  
 504-495-2950

**WEDNESDAY, February 18, 2026**

Announcements & prayer.....Perry Hillis  
 Song leader.....John Capps  
 Devotional.....Wayne Weaver  
 Closing prayer.....Eric Garner

**ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!**

Go to [www.ercoc.com](http://www.ercoc.com) & click/tap on "GIVE". Follow the instructions to contribute by check/card. Check option is preferred (avoids credit card fees).



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

**STIR UP ONE ANOTHER TO LOVE & GOOD WORKS**

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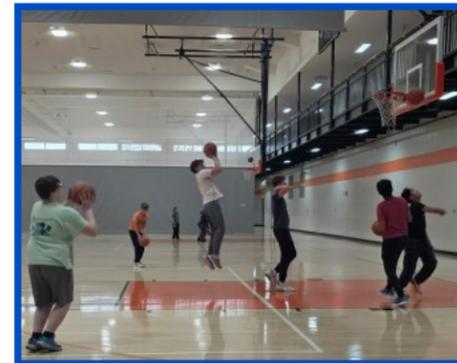
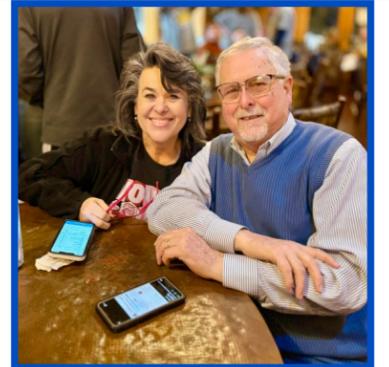
**FOREIGN:**

- 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

**SCENES FROM CHALLENGE YOUTH RETREAT**





Do you ever feel that you have no time to do the opportunities which come your way? We are all "busy" and it's sometimes hard to serve in the Lord's work. Consider the following challenging poem.

"HAVEN'T GOT TIME!"

Opportunity tapped at a door  
 With a chance for the person within;  
 He rapped till his fingers were sore,  
 And muttered: 'Come on, let me in!  
 Here is something I know you can do,  
 Here's a hill you can climb.'  
 But the person inside, very quickly replied:  
 'Old fellow, I haven't got time.'  
 Opportunity wandered along  
 In search of a man who would rise.  
 He said to the indolent throng:  
 'Here's a chance for the fellow who tries,'  
 But each of them said with a smile,  
 'I wish I could do it, but I'm  
 Very busy today, and I'm sorry to say  
 That I really haven't got the time.'  
 At last opportunity came  
 To a man who was burdened with cares,  
 And said: 'I now offer the same  
 Opportunity that has been theirs.  
 Here's a duty that ought to be done.  
 It's a chance if you've got time to take it.'  
 Said the man with a grin: 'Come along, pass it in!  
 I'll either find time or I'll make it.'  
 Of all the excuses there are  
 By which this old world is accursed,  
 this 'haven't time' is by far  
 The poorest, the feeblest, the worst.  
 A delusion it is, a snare;  
 If the habit is yours, you should shake it,  
 For if you want to do what is offered to you  
 you'll either find time or you'll make it!

—Detroit Free Press

Our theme for 2026 is taken from Hebrews 10:24. Pray about this, study about it, and let's all strive diligently to "Stir up one another to love and good works."

**STIR UP ONE ANOTHER  
 TO LOVE  
 & GOOD WORKS**

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**TERESA COZART** is recuperating following rotator cuff surgery February 3.  
**MISSY WARD** was able to be in the worship service this past Sunday.  
**ELIJAH WALKER**, a foster child of Micky & Carrie West, is improving! He is still in T.C. Thompson Children's Hospital.  
**TYLER SCHRECK**, nephew of Nathan Barnes, was recently hit by a car. He is in a Minnesota hospital in very serious condition with brain injuries and several broken bones. He and his family are greatly in need of prayers.  
**REBECCA OWENS**, daughter of Allen and Dot Womack and sister of Abigail McDonald, has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Her address is 2928 Eastover Rd., Watertown, TN 37184.  
**ELIZABETH (McBRAYER) COOK** is recuperating following breast cancer surgery January 29.  
**JUDY HILLIS**, mother of Perry, is recuperating at East Ridge Life Care following surgery for a broken leg.  
**ROSE DAWSON**, mother of Teresa Brooks, had a procedure February 17.

## LONGTERM PRAYER REQUESTS

Tiffany Bice, Heydi Blanco, Margaret Brown, Charles Campbell, Lucien Claiborne, D.A. Clark, Gayla Collins, Katrina Edgecomb, Bea Elliott, Sue Ford, Yvonne Griffith, Joe Hampton, Eudene Hannah, Don/Pam Hayes, Phillip Hill, Sally Jackson, Asonia Martin, Wanda Mathews, Don/Linda Perry, James Rains, Richard/Sara Rogers, Jim Tidmore, Glenn/Louellen Westbrook, Miranda Wright.

**Panama Building Campaign/Ladies' Seminar is February 27-March 7. Please be praying about the campaign, that it will be successful and that those participating will have safe travels to Panama and back home.**



Plans are being made to begin serving the Lord's Supper as we had always done pre-COVID. There will still be individual implements available on a table in the lobby for those who wish to use them.

### MEN'S RETREAT:

Gentlemen, mark your calendars for the upcoming Men's Retreat at Camp Ney-A-Ti. Dates are May 1 & 2. The lessons being presented will focus on the following topics: "Involvement in the Church", "Involvement with Each Other", and "Involvement in the Home."

## SPRING BENEVOLENCE GIVE-AWAY

Mark your calendars for April 11 for the Benevolence give-away. It begins at 9am and continues until 1pm.

### Stuff From Steve

#### Young at Heart:

Meets tomorrow morning (2/19) at 10:00 in the Connect Room (corner classroom on the Northwest hallway) and on Zoom. We will continue our study of Daniel.

#### Single/Single Again:

The next Bible Study will be on Tuesday, March 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in classroom 7. We will be continuing our study of 1 Corinthians.

#### Spring Lectureship:

Saturday, March 7. Make plans now to attend!

#### The theme: "The Lives of Ladies Instruct."

- 10:00 a.m. Lessons from Dorcas (David B. Smith)
- 11:00 a.m. Lessons from Abigail (David Lipe)
- 2:30 p.m. Lessons from Eve (Alan Pitchford)
- 3:30p.m. Lessons from Hannah (Cliff Goodwin).

*Till Next Time -- Steve*

## LADS TO LEADERS/LEADERETTES INFO

- February 22—Boys and girls will be at the White Oak congregation conducting separate services at 2pm.
- March 7—Leprechaun Bowl at the Frost's house.
- For those giving speeches, they must be signed off by Kyle Moses or Chris Wehman prior to February 22.
- T-shirts are now available for sign-ups. There is a google form on Facebook. If you have any issues, problems, questions or concerns, please see Susan Robinson. Sign-up deadline is Wednesday, February 11.



We want to extend our deepest sympathy to Greg Mock in passing of his mother, Joyce Mock, on February 12. Visitation will be Thursday, February 19 from 10:30am-12:30pm at Heritage Funeral Home on East Brainerd Road. The funeral will be held in the chapel following visitation. Mrs. Mock will be laid to rest at Chattanooga National Cemetery.

Please remember Greg & Angie and all their family in your prayers as they grieve the loss of their loved one.



**Team 4** will meet in Classroom 6 Sunday, February 22, one hour prior (4pm) 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)



## UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Reminders are posted on Facebook and Instagram. Join the Facebook group "ercoc youth" and/or follow "youth.ercoc" on Instagram. The youth calendar and event info is available at: [ercoc.com/youth](http://ercoc.com/youth).

### ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FOR GRADES 7-12

- ⇒ PEP Sunday, March 1 in the Fellowship Room at 6:30. It will be hosted by Robbie & Kristi Rhodes. Girls, please bring desserts; guys please bring drinks.
- ⇒ DOLLYWOOD TRIP Saturday, March 20-21. Attendance is limited to youth, young adults, and chaperones. Deadline for payment and attendance confirmation is February 18. If you have not signed up, please do so as soon as possible. Sign-up sheet is located in the foyer. Trip fee is \$100, which includes a ticket and lunch. We plan to leave from the church building on the evening of the 20th and stay overnight in the Dollywood area. For further details, please see Epifanio.

PEP, JR. is this Sunday, February 22 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Room. Taryn Payne & Rebekah McBrayer will be hosting and Chris Wehman will conduct the devo. Dinner will be a pasta bar!



Ladies, be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday March 14 for our annual Ladies' Day! The speaker will be Tish Clark.

Registration begins at 8:30am and the program begins at 9am. A brunch will be served in the Fellowship Room between sessions. Door prizes will be given out at noon and we will conclude at approximately 12:15pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

### YOUNG ADULTS:

- FEBRUARY 23.....Dinner & Mentor—We will meet at the church building at 6pm. We will have dinner together at Chick-Fil-A in Dalton then visit brother Lucien Claiborne.
- MARCH 9.....Gospel Meeting at the Riverbend congregation in Dalton. Cliff Goodwin will be speaking. Meet at the church building at 6:15pm.



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

Glenn Colley - Seven Nevers

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