



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 291, YouTube 162)	453
Sunday Morning Bible Class (In person 246, YouTube 80)	326
Sunday Evening Worship (In person 200, YouTube 113)	313
Wed. Night Service (In person 206, YouTube 179)	385
Contribution	\$20,080

RADIO AND TV

LIGHT FOR THE WAY (Speaker: Charles Cochran)
Sunday 10:30 A.M.
WFLL 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

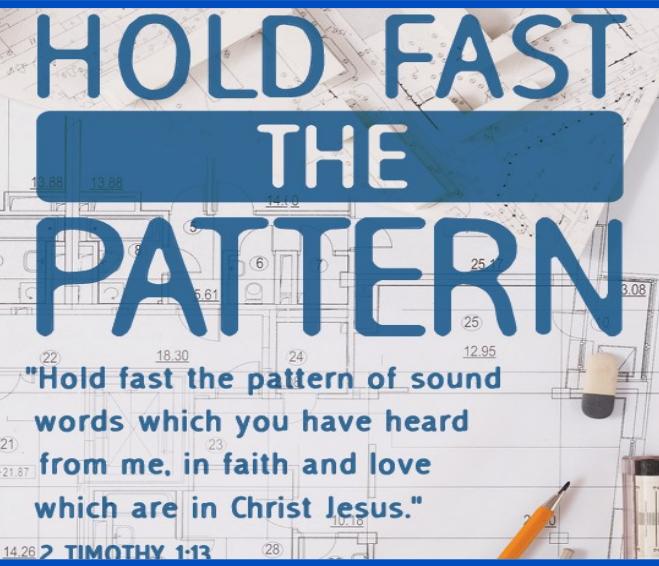
WFLL Channel 53—COMCAST 6 & EPB 6
Sunday 7:30 A.M.
EPB Channel 152, GBN
Saturday, 8:00 A.M.; Sunday, 8:00 A.M. & 10 P.M.

INTERNATIONAL GOSPEL HOUR

WFLL 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.



“Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.”

14:26 2 TIMOTHY 1:13

EAST RIDGE EVENTS

WEEKLY: BENEVOLENCE PROGRAM

Tuesdays 8 A.M.-2 P.M.
(Closed December 23 and December 30.
Will reopen January 6)

LADIES' CLASS—Class will resume
January 27.

Y. A. H. BIBLE STUDY—Class will resume January 8.

CONTACT ELDER:

December—Joe Gass
423-508-5284

January—Luke Griffin
256-614-2367

WEDNESDAY, December 17, 2025

Announcements & prayer.....Adam Vaughn
Song leader.....Kyle Moses
Devotional.....Austin Fowler
Closing prayer.....Austin Fowler

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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!*

HOLD FAST THE PATTERN

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE OFFICE STAFF

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Light for the Way
Preaching the Gospel
In Search of the Lord's
Way
World Bible School



heart to heart There is a beautiful song entitled "To Christ Be Loyal and Be True." We give our loyalty to so many things. Think of our being loyal to Jesus as you consider the following:

LOYALTY TO CHRIST
 "The world I thought belonged to me—
 Goods, gold, and people, land and sea;
 Where 'er I walked beneath God's sky,
 In those olde days, my word was 'I.'
 Years passed: there flashed my pathway near
 The fragment of a vision dear;
 My former word no more sufficed,
 And what I said was, —'I and Christ.'
 But, O, the more I looked on him,
 His glory grew, while mine grew dim;
 I shrank so small, he towered so high,
 All I dared say was,—'Christ and I.'
 Years more the vision held its place,
 And looked me steadily in the face;
 I speak now in humbler tone,
 And what I say is, — 'Christ alone.'

(— Selected)

Truly, the vision we see of Jesus, found only in the wonderful Gospel accounts, helps us to focus on the One who deserves our loyalty and love! May our hearts be dedicated to nothing above our Lord!

—Charlie

This will be the last bulletin published for 2025. We will resume publishing January 7th. Thank you to all who read the information in the bulletin! We appreciate your support!

REMINDER:

- Our Benevolence Room will be closed Tuesday, December 23 & 30.

Thanks so much to all who contributed to GCCS this year. East Ridge responded in its usual sacrificial way and the organization exceeded our budgeted expectations. May God continue to bless you as you serve Him.

— Steve Grubb

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MISSY WARD underwent a procedure December 9 for an issue with her neck. She will possibly need surgery at some point on her neck.

PAM HAYES is experiencing some health issues and is consulting with her doctors regarding these issues.

JUDY MALONE recently suffered a broken shoulder from a fall.

GUS STONE is now recuperating at home!

ALBERT RUSSELL, father of Teresa Brooks, is recuperating at the home of Neil and Teresa following a hospital stay.

ELISHA GRIDER underwent a fourth surgery on her ankle December 16.

LINDA PERRY will have surgery January 5.

ROSE DAWSON, is recuperating at home following a hospital stay. She will also have a heart cath December 30.

ELIZABETH (McBRAIER) COOK will undergo surgery for breast cancer January 29.

LONGTERM PRAYER REQUESTS

Margaret Brown, Charles Campbell, Lucien Claiborne, D.A. Clark, Gayla Collins, Ann Cooley, Teresa Cozart, Katrina Edgecomb, Bea Elliott, Sue Ford, Yvonne Griffith, Joe Hampton, Eudene Hannah, Phillip Hill, Sally Jackson, Asonia Martin, Wanda Mathews, Don Perry, James Rains, Richard Rogers, Jim Tidmore, Charlie Turner, Glenn/Louellen Westbrook, Miranda Wright.



Our hearts rejoice with Jacob Slatton upon his recent baptism into Christ. Jacob was baptized Wednesday, December 3. Jacob also expressed the desire to work and worship under the oversight of the E.Ridge elders.

Also, Karen Newton met with the elders and desires to work and worship here at E.Ridge. Karen is Chris Wehman's mother. We want to welcome these two who are now part of the family of God that worships at East Ridge!

Stuff From Steve

Young at Heart:

Class will resume at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 8, 2026 in the Connect Room (corner classroom on the Northwest hallway). We will begin Daniel chapter 2.

Single/Single Again:

Due to scheduling conflicts during the holiday season, there will be no Tuesday evening Bible Studies in the month of December. Studies will resume on Tuesday, January 6, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in classroom 7. The group will gather in the Connect Room after classes on New Year's Eve for a period of fellowship.

Closing Thoughts:

As we are approaching the Christmas holiday and the close of 2025, my family and I pray you all have a joyful Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Till next year, Steve

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.

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FOR GRADES 7-12

⇒ **LOCK-IN** has been postponed until January 18. More details will be given next week.



Good Samaritan: Please make sure you are current with turning in your Good Samaritan logs to Carey Lane or Brian/Susan Robinson.

SAVE THE DATES FOR BIBLE BOWL EVENTS.

(ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FROM 6-8pm.)

- ⇒ January 2—New Year's Chili Bowl at the Robinson's
- ⇒ February 7—Super Bowl at the Rhodes'
- ⇒ March 7—Leprechaun Bowl at the Frost's
- ⇒ Great new tool! Go to biblebowl.app to download 2026 L2L Bible Bowl questions.



December 20—Holiday party 5 PM at Austin Fowler's home.



BENEVOLENCE NEEDS

Canned meats, soups, vegetables, peanut butter
 Towels/wash cloths/blankets
 Pots & Pans
 Boys' clothes sizes 3, 7, 8, 12 & 16
 Girls' clothes sizes 4, 5, 8 & 12



Team 3 will meet in Classroom 6 Sunday, December 21 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



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

Studies in Colossians – Thanking God for Gospel Fruit (1:1-14)

Cliff Goodwin

<https://bit.ly/3MB3SZ6>