



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 308, YouTube 74)	382
Sunday Morning Bible Class (In person 255, YouTube 43)	298
Sunday Evening Worship (In person 204, YouTube 90)	294
Wed. Night Service (In person 205, YouTube 116)	321
Contribution	\$35,926

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
Sunday, 8:00 A.M.

HOLD FAST THE PATTERN

“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.

LADIES' CLASS—Class meets each Tuesday at 6pm in the Connect Room.

Y. A. H. BIBLE STUDY—Class meets each Thursday at 10:00am in the Connect Room.

CONTACT ELDER:

December—Joe Gass
423-508-5284

WEDNESDAY, December 10, 2025

Announcements & prayer.....Brian Robinson
Song leader.....Tyler Townsend
Devotional.....Alex Frost
Closing prayer.....Paul Hughes

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!

Go to 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!*

HOLD FAST THE PATTERN

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ANNUAL WIDOWS/WIDOWERS/CANCER SURVIVORS HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

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South Africa

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Benevolence Room
Bible Correspondence
Gospel Broadcasting
Network
Greater Chatt. Christian
Services
Lewistown, Montana
Light for the Way
Preaching the Gospel
In Search of the Lord's
Way
World Bible School



Food service was provided by some of our young people of all ages and entertainment was provided by Rimmy Miller and his band!

These are only a few of the photos that were taken by Mallory Frost.

Thank you to ALL who had a hand in making this event a success!

heart to heart Happiness is something we all seek. The following illustration encourages us to understand "Where to Look for Genuine Happiness."

Not in unbelief. —Voltaire was an infidel of the most profound type. He wrote: "I wish I had never been born."

Not in pleasure. —Lord Byron lived a life of pleasure, if anyone did. He wrote: "The worm, the canker and the grief are mine alone."

Not in money. —Jay Gould, the American millionaire, had plenty of that. When dying, he said, "I suppose I am the most miserable man on earth."

Not in position and fame. —Lord Beaconsfield enjoyed more than his share of both. He wrote: "Youth is a mistake, manhood is a struggle; old age a regret."

Not in military glory. —Alexander the Great conquered the known world in his day. Having done so, he wept in his tent because, he said, "There are no more worlds to conquer."

Where, then, is happiness to be found? The answer is simple: "In Christ alone." He said, "I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you" (John 16:22).

—Clarence Edward Macartney

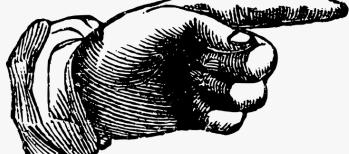
True, lasting, and meaningful happiness comes when we find Christ and commit our lives in service to Him!

—Charlie

REMINDERS:

- Teachers and helpers are needed for elementary age classes which began December 7.
- Our Benevolence Room will be closed Tuesday, December 23 & 30.

Please Notice This



♦ If you did not have the opportunity to contribute to the Thanksgiving contribution that benefits the **GREATER CHATTANOOGA CHRISTIAN SERVICES**, you may still do so! This is a great work and one which our congregation has supported for many years. Please consider contributing to this wonderful work. You may give your check to Steve Grubb, one of the elders or secretaries.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MELISSA FROST is recuperating following recent surgery. **MISSY WARD** underwent a procedure December 9 for an issue with her neck. She possibly will 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.

MARGARET BROWN is now recuperating at her home.

KAREN MCBRAYER is recuperating following open-heart surgery.

GUS STONE is in Siskin, room 412 but is tentatively scheduled to go home Friday!

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

ELISHA GRIDER is at home recuperating from foot surgery.

LINDA PERRY will have surgery January 5.

ROSE DAWSON, mother of Teresa Brooks, is in Parkridge PCU, 358, with pneumonia. She will also have a heart cath December 30.

ELIZABETH (McBRAYER) COOK will undergo surgery for breast cancer in the near future.

HELEN HEADRICK, is having serious health problems. She is the mother of Tammy Locke, a Bible correspondence student.

Stuff From Steve

Young at Heart:

Holiday party tomorrow (12/11) 11:00 a.m. at the home of Debbie Riemke. Bus will depart from the building (bus barn area) at 10:50 a.m. If you plan to attend and haven't done so already, please contact Debbie to see what item(s) she needs you to bring.

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.

Senior Members Evening Trip:

Thanks to all those who participated in the trip to Granville, TN last Thursday night for the Mayberry Dinner Theater. I thought it was a unique, fun experience. If you've never been to Granville and decide sometime to go, make the drive in daylight. The last ten or so miles are a bit nerve wracking in the dark!

Till next time...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

- ⇒ TEEN SINGING—Sunday, December 14, at Subligna Road Church of Christ.
- ⇒ LOCK-IN Sunday night, December 28. More information to follow soon.



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.)

- ⇒ December 12 Holiday Bowl at the Wehman's
- ⇒ 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 15—Bible Study 7 PM in Connect Room

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



Our hearts rejoice with Jacob Slatton upon his recent baptism into Christ. Jacob was baptized Wednesday, December 3. He stated that he was baptized at an early age and he did not understand

fully about baptism Jacob, we will remember you in our prayers as you begin your daily walk with Jesus!



Team 2 will meet in Classroom 6 Sunday, December 14 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 Colossian – My Heart is With You
Introduction to Colossians

Cliff Goodwin

<https://bit.ly/48vK0OI>