



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 (In person 239, YouTube 132)	371
Sunday Morning Bible Class (In person 230, YouTube 21)	251
Sunday Evening Worship (In person 183, YouTube 78)	261
Wed. Night Service (In person 212, YouTube 58)	270

Contribution \$19,364

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:

SEPTEMBER: Russell Lively
423-316-2824

WEDNESDAY, September 9, 2026

Announcements & Prayer.....Kevin Moses
Song Leader.....Kyle Moses
Devotional.....Steve Plemmons
Closing prayer.....Eric Garner

(Wednesday, September 30 will be our fifth
Wednesday Singing night.)

ATTENTION ELDERS/DEACONS/PREACHERS
Don't forget your monthly meeting is Sun-
day, September 13 at 5pm! Everyone
please make plans to attend the meeting!

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).

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MISSIONS

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

7TH ANNUAL
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9/19/26



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



We so often forget the importance of our Bible classes. Those who faithfully teach need our encouragement. The following is a wonderful illustration.

—Charlie

It is impossible to overstate the importance of the Bible class teacher. There are those who can teach and impart certain skills, trades and knowledge. There are those who run large corporations, and those who rule countries. Yet, if a list were somehow composed of all positions of the world being arranged in order of importance, the Bible class teacher would be above them all. Why is this the case? When one is teaching the Bible, he/she is fulfilling the very means by which one may be drawn near to God (John 6:44-45). It is the Gospel that is the power of God unto salvation (Rom. 1:16), which is only able to act when it is presented (Rom. 10:13-14). Furthermore, it is through the teaching of God's Word that the Christian may be thoroughly furnished unto all good works (2 Tim. 3:16-17), and then, by acting upon that knowledge, his calling and election is made sure (2 Pet. 1:10). Thus, the efforts of the Bible class teacher are supremely important.

Not only can we see the eternal results of the labor of the Bible teacher, we also can see the immediate results. When the parents are overjoyed to hear their child's first recital of the Bible lesson—we can thank the teacher. When we see our children grow in the admonition of the Lord, when we see our children developing good morals, we see our members abstaining from doing that which is evil and cleaving to that which is good—we can thank the teacher. When we see men who faithfully preach the Gospel, men who stand up to defend the truth, men who serve as God-fearing elders, deacons, and teachers, and women who teach and help the church in any way they can—we can thank the teacher for their vital part in their instruction and influence.

Teachers, your effect can be felt into eternity, and it just might be the case that your efforts will help raise up strong, faithful leaders of the church of the future. *Surely, it is impossible to overstate the importance of the Bible class teacher!*

RECENT RESPONSE:

We rejoice as our brother, Josh Cozart, responded to the invitation stating that for several years, he was not as faithful in his attendance as he should have been and was not the example of a Christian that he should have been. He has asked God for forgiveness.

Please keep Josh in your prayers as he desires to be the best example he can as he continues to serve

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

PERRY HILLIS was able to be at the worship service this past Sunday following recent shoulder surgery.

MEGHAN SAWYERS has recently been diagnosed with ovarian cancer and it has spread to her liver. Meghan's husband, Cody, worshiped at E.Ridge and was active in the youth group.

LONGTERM PRAYER REQUESTS

Margaret Brown, Chanda Busby, Charles Campbell, Lucien Claiborne, D.A. Clark, Gayla Collins, Elizabeth Cook, 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.

YOUNG ADULTS

⇒ Dinner & a Mentor—September 21 at the Miller's house

YOUNG FAMILIES.....

⇒ Saturday, September 26 from 12-3pm—Tennessee vs Texas Football Watch Party in the Fellowship Room. There will be food provided, fellowship, games and a lot of fun! More info will be in the Youth Group/Young Families groups on the Lightpost app.



Team 2 will meet in Classroom 6 Sunday, September 13, 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



Stuff From Steve

Young at Heart:

Class resumes tomorrow (9/10) at 10:00 AM in the Connect Room and on Zoom. We will begin a study of the book of Psalms. If you're in the Sunday a.m. auditorium class this quarter with Neil Brooks, don't look at our classes as competing with each other, but rather as complimenting one another. On Tuesday, September 15 at 2:00 PM we'll host the monthly birthday party at Martin-Boyd Christian Home.

Single/Single Again:

Studies resume next Tuesday (9/15) at 6:00 PM in classroom 7. September 29 is a fifth Tuesday visitation night and dinner out afterwards.

Senior Members Day Trip:

Friday, September 25 we'll travel to Petros, TN to tour Brushy Mountain State Penitentiary. We'll depart the building at 8:30 AM and return at approximately 5:00 PM. We'll have lunch on the premises at the Warden's Table restaurant. Estimated admission for the prison tour is \$33.79 for those under 65 and \$27.90 for those 65 and up. You'll carry your admission money and money for lunch with you. The tour does involve some stairs and uneven terrain; however, you tour at your own pace and



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

New Testament Churches - Thessalonica -
The Model Church in a Modern World
(1 Thessalonians 1 6-10)

DAVID SMITH

We are glad to announce a new House to House/Heart to Heart study every Tuesday night called "REASONS TO BELIEVE—Examining the Evidence for Christianity." The study is conducted by Kyle Butt. You may find it online by going to the link listed below:

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

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

- ⇒ Teen Singing is Sunday, September 13 at the Ooltewah congregation. We will eat lunch at the E.Ridge Dairy Queen following Bible class.
- ⇒ Saturday, September 26 from 12-3pm—Tennessee vs Texas Football Watch Party in the Fellowship Room. There will be food provided, fellowship, games and a lot of fun! More info will be in the Youth Group/Young Families groups on the Lightpost app.

BENEVOLENT ROOM NEEDS:

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

Bar soap, deodorant, travel size shampoo
Dishes

Tuna & chicken (cans or pouches),
Canned vegetables and cereal



Ladies, you are invited to a bridal shower September 27 from 3-5pm in the Fellowship Rm. in honor of Rebekah McBrayer, fiancée of Daniel Rhodes. They

are registered on Amazon and at Target.

