

Middle Adult Ministry Breakfast
January 11th Old Country Store
 9:00 a.m. Sign up list in the foyer.



Annual Brothers Breakfast will be held on **Saturday, January 18th at 8:30 am** in Vance Fellowship Hall. We are asking ALL brothers please sign up for this event.



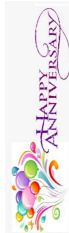
Any Senior Saints wanting to attend the National Association Celebrated Seniors 2025 April 18-April 20, 2025 *Calling All Seniors!* Hosted by the churches of Christ in Indianapolis, IN. We are looking at rental bus for transportation. If you are planning on attend please sign up as soon as possible.



Sis Charo James (Zone 2) who was baptized on December 29th. Her address is 320 Samantha Cove Unit B, Henderson, TN 38340.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS 2025

- Ruth Jones 05
- Luster Ree Pirtle 06
- John Cole 08
- Bruce Shanks 09
- David Greer 10
- Tomakoa Kirk
- Lorerela Overton
- Tiffany Pirtle



Thursday Morning Bible Class meets at 10 am in the Vance Fellowship Hall. Zoom Meeting ID # 845 419 1034 or call in number is 1 (301) 715 - 8592 Meeting ID 845 419 1034 . YOU MUST CALL THE OFFICE FOR MEETING ID and PASSCODE.



NURSES ON CALL
FOR THE MONTH OF JANUAR 2025
 5th Debra Reed & Gwen Ragland

- 12th Brenda Triplett & Starlita Rivers
- 19th Judy Williams & Rita Gray
- 26th Angelina Brown & Kim Whitmore

If you are unable to serve please give Sis Judy Williams a call at 731-616-2621.

EAST JACKSON CHURCH OF CHRIST

- We will continue to monitor the respiratory virus activity levels in our community and we will return to temperature checks as needed if the infection rates increase.
- **We appreciate our church family for your willingness to be so cooperative during this process.**



The Center for Disease Control (CDC) continues to recommend:

- Staying home if you are feeling unwell including if you have a **cough, shortness of breath, sore throat** and/or **fever.**
- Frequent hand washing and/or the use of hand sanitizer
- Updated Covid, RSV* and Flu vaccinations are now available.

Mask wearing continues to be voluntary.

We care about our East Jackson family and want to make sure that you are informed about the current conditions and recommendations to protect your health.

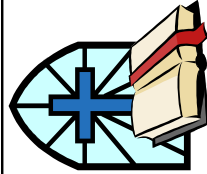


THANK YOU TO THESE FAITHFUL SERVANTS IN THE CARD SENDING MINISTRY

Debra Anderson; Precilla Curry; Carolyn Ewing; Patricia Hayes; Carol Jones; Lillie Hines; Nettie Houston; Carla Lewis; Jacqueline Long; Mary Long; Nancy Luton; Bobbie Rayner; Cyd Reed; Barbara Reeves; Tina Smith; Phyllis Staten; Mildred Sykes; Monica Ray; Brandi Sykes; Melanie Temple; Ada Thaxter; Beverly VanDyke.

EAST JACKSON JOURNAL

Consistently about the business of Bridging Across To Bring Them In, To Build Them Up, To Become Of Benefit All to the glory of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
 Matthew 28:18-20



Website: www.eastjacksoncofc.org

Samuel Jones - Minister

Gordon Newsome, Sr Retired

January 5, 2025

A friendly, caring congregation ready to serve and teach the bible to East Jackson and beyond the glory of God.

ELDERS

- Richard DePriest
- Sonny Phillips
- Thomas Pirtle, Jr
- Jerry Truelove

WHAT YOU SHOULD HAVE GIVEN YOURSELF FOR CHRISTMAS (P.S. It Is Still Not Too Late!)

A little boy was with his mother in Walmart. While she was looking the other way, the little boy secretly lifted a toy over into the shopping cart. She turned just in time to see it fall in and said, "Son, what are you doing? You know Christmas is almost here. We can't buy that today." He replied, "But mom, I want to give ME this for Christmas."

DEACONS

Compassion Ministry

Culinary Ministry

Joe Reeves

Thomas Curry

Educational Ministry

Bruce Ingram

Cedric Hampton, Sr

Inside Facilities Ministry

Blanks Branick

Media Ministry

Kenneth Mercer

Outside Ministry &

Transportation Ministry

Morris Denwidde

Worship Ministry

Jackie Dodson, Sr.

Terry Smith

Young Adult Ministry

Reginald Davis, I

Ministry Leaders

Involvement Ministry

Tony Black

Middle Adult Ministry

Alexander Smith, III

Security Team Ministry

Patrick Willis

During this season, there are some things that we have given to others: family, friends, etc. Additionally, especially if we did not get what we wanted, we may decide to give ourselves something for Christmas. Bro. Mark Posey in a recent addition of Pulpit Preview pointed out that there are some things to give yourself. He said:

A. I want to give myself a **GREATHER FAITH IN THE PROVISIONS OF GOD**. God provides all our needs (Phil. 4:19). We shouldn't think that the Philippians were wealthy and could easily spare the money. As Paul described them in 2 Corinthians 8, it is plain that their giving was sacrificial. God's promise meant something to them! He promises to supply ALL our needs, but it is all we **NEED**—not a promise to go beyond our needs. In this, the promise is both broad and yet restricted.

B. I want to give myself a **GREATHER HOPE IN THE PROMISES OF GOD**. God is faithful and true in everything He says and does. So you can count on the promises of God to be trustworthy. Christians draw great hope from the words of the well-known song "Standing on the Promises of God." Cf. 2 Pet. 1:4; Heb. 6:12; 10:23. Read Romans 4:19-21. The promises of God don't depend on our abilities but God's. Abraham was 100 and Sarah 90 when Isaac was born. They had less than **ZERO** ability to bear children. The key was Abraham's confidence that **GOD** had the power to **DO** what He had **PROMISED**. And, God did!

C. I want to give myself a **GREATHER LOVE FOR THE PERSON OF GOD**. The most vital message in the Bible is God's love in redeeming man through Jesus Christ. Everything revolves around God's love. God, who created the universe by His Word, is the source of love, which is love in its most genuine, purest, and perfect form. Therefore, we love because He first loved us (1 John 4:19). Let us grasp how wide, and long and high and deep the love of God is (Eph. 3:18). God's love endures forever (Psalm 118:1). The earth is full of God's love (Psalm 119:64). His love is even better than life (Psalm 63:3) and surpasses knowledge. Cf. Romans 8:38-39. Did you give yourself anything for Christmas? If so, was it the above listed gifts, which are greater gifts? If not, it is not too late. You will be blessed by giving these gifts to yourself.

-- Selected and Adapted by L. C. Hayes--

ORDER OF SERVICES

SONG DIRECTOR
Anthony Truelove (AM)
Travis Franklin, Sr (PM)

SCRIPTURE READING
George Steele

PRAYER
Les Farough

OFFERING & COMMUNION
Joe Reeves

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Ernest Adams, Jr.

BAPTISMAL WORKER
Tony Black

**Sunday Evening
Worship Service**
at 5:30 p.m.

www.eastjacksoncofc.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Just a Friendly Reminder:
Please get your announcement in to the **CHURCH OFFICE** by **Thursday noon.**

Those who make the announcements on Sunday find it very difficult to review and organize their paper work when several members are coming up handling them information that should be have been turned in during the course of the week.

If a member deems announcement as important enough to be stressed in the public service, he or she should contact one of the elders.

Please remember to set your cell phone to vibrate or silent during the worship services.



AN ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

As noted by the elders on last Sunday, we are making adjustments in the expedient parts of our worship service. Our goal is to be as timely as possible so that we have ample time for our Sunday School classes. The worship service is certainly a vital part of our time together with God and with one another. Additionally, the Bible classes are an enriching time together as we focus on further learning of the principles of Christ for our daily living. We have seen that when announcements and other expedient areas of the worship service continue for an extended time, it reduces our ability to spend the needed time in our Bible classes and causes the teachers to have to hurry through the lesson.

Therefore, beginning Today, the following will apply:

- A. The "call to order" at the beginning of the service will be shortened. Please see the journal for the names of those leading in the worship service.
- B. The announcements will be shortened, in that:
 - 1. Except on rare occasions, the announcements that are in the journal will not be verbally repeated. See the journal for announcements and upcoming activities.
- 2. Thank you cards from members will be acknowledged, but the content will not be read by the announcer. The cards will be posted on the bulletin board for all to see. [Note: do not place the card on the bulletin board your self. Please mail the card or turn it in to the church office. Nothing is to be placed on the bulletin board without coming through the church office first.]

- C. We want to cut down on "last minute" announcements as much as possible.
 - 1. Announcements should be mailed in, faxed or called in to the church office by noon each Thursday. [If the announcement could have been submitted, but is brought in on Sunday, it may not be announced. Note: this does not apply to news about sickness, death notices, etc. We recognize that these events can occur at any time.]
- D. Each Sunday, a reminder will be shown on the screens to encourage us to read the Journal and note upcoming events and to turn off our cell phones.

God wants us to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, 2 Peter 3:18. Therefore, we want to be sure to focus adequately on worshipping God in spirit and in truth; and in feeding on the word of God in Bible Classes. We believe that these adjustments will help us to accomplish those goals. We appreciate your cooperation and remain available for your feedback.



ZONE MEETING

The first one of the new year 2024 meeting will be **Wednesday, January 29th at 6:30 pm.** Zone leaders and members: Mark the dates on your calendars. All Members will attend Zone meeting on the scheduled Wednesday night as we continue to grow in the "one anothers."

Meeting places as follows:

- Zone 1 - Auditorium** **Zone 2 - Room 207-208** **Zone 4 - Room-212-213**
 - Zone 3 - Will be meeting in the Vance Fellowship Hall at 5:30 pm.**
- Come one, come all see what you have been missing.
Join in the fellowship with **YOUR ZONE** for this Year 2025.



25th Annual Joint Worship Service at Norris Road Church of Christ in Memphis, Sunday, January 5, 2025. Theme: I Will Arise And Go Home! Weekly Meeting January 6-8, 2025 at 6:30 pm
Speakers will be: Dr. Harvey Jackson, Lampton Street Church of Christ; Dr. Loyd C Harris, of McAlmont Church of Christ; Dr. Lovell Hayes, East Jackson Church of Christ; Dr Billy Moore, Delmar Avenue Church of Christ. Check out the bulletin board for topics.



Henderson Church of Christ Forerunner Host Senior Adult Rally
Saturday, March 29, 2025 at 9:30 am
Registration (Light Breakfast). Theme: A Heartfelt Religion. Speaker: Ben Platt. Program 10 am Lunch will be Provided.



National Association Celebrated Seniors 2025 April 18-April 20, 2025
Hosted by the churches of Christ in Indianapolis, IN. Theme: "Seniors: The Years Of Yes!"
Caleb and Joshua discovered that their 80's were their Best Years"

Check bulletin board for more information.

ATTENTION YOUTH (AND PARENTS)

Mark your calendars and start planning and preparing to participate in the: **46th Tennessee State Youth Conference**, April 25-27, 2025 in Memphis, TN. Theme: They Not Like Us. (Romans 12:2). See bulletin board for more details.



Southeastern Youth For Christ Conference, July 14-18, 2025 on campus of Valdosta State University in Valdosta, GA. Start preparing and saving your funds for the fees now. More details to follow.



To D'Yondre and Mercedes Williamson in the loss of their twin boys.

Memorial Service for Mr. Keson DeMarcus Robinson will be Tuesday, January 7th 4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. At Parrish Hall at All Saints Episcopal Church—1401 Lee Victory Parkway, Smyrna, TN 37167. Nephew of the McClain's and the VanDykes'.



PRAYER LIST

Sis. Lue Helen Martin, Betty Jones Gwenn Ragland, Terry Ragland, Jesse Anderson, Marthemia Barbour. Ann Cole, Lula Clark, Brenda DePriest, Eunice Exum, Jennette Gladney, Ruth Ann Gray, Francheska Grimes, Angela Harvey, Lillie Hines, Elizabeth Harrison, Hattie Johns, Betty Jones, Shirley Jones, D. Jean Morris, LaGween McDonald, Everjean Parson, Brenda Pearson, Farris Phillips, Helen Pirtle, Nella Ray, Earline Ramson, Barbara Reeves, Loutisha Richardson, Corene Steele, Rosie Trice, Vanessa Truelove, Louvenia Walker, Jacqueline Waller, Barbara Warlick, Alice Williams, Bro. Lloyd Johnson, Alberts Jeffries, Sr, Roger Bowles, David Greer, Richard McClain, Ozie Pearson, George Steele, Daniel Terry, William Kirk are asking for prayers for health, strength and good test results.



Prayers Requests Bro Gordon & Sis Mary Newsome, Sr. Bro. Emmett & Sis Bobbie Guess. Bro. Leon & Sis Ruth Womack, Bro William & Sis Rose Bramick, Bro James & Sis Hazel Ragland are asking for prayers for health and strength.

Continual Prayers for: Bro. Thomas Pirtle, Jr., Sis Gail Barbour, Sis Alsenia Davis-Comer, Sis Gwenn Ragland and Bro. J. C. Cockrell

Sis Shirley Jones Rm A108 and her husband, Larry Jones in Rm A106. They are in West Tennessee Transition Care. Please pray for health and strength.

Bro. Gary Jackson is in Jackson General Rm ICU 671.

Bro. Chanse Yarbrough is in the LeBonheur Children's Hospital Rm. 705 in Memphis, TN. This is the son of Sis. Jamie Bray.

East Jackson Church Family

Please keep our family members in prayers. Plus those asking for prayers on behalf of their family and friends who are dealing with health and medical issues.