

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of March 19, 2017

Bible Class	50
Morning Assembly	90
Evening Assembly	55
Wednesday Bible Class	27
Contribution	\$1906.90
Budget	1871.00
Over budget for week	35.90



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

**A.M. = FAITH COMES BY HEARING
(ROMANS 10:17)**

**P.M. = FAITHFUL
(1 CORINTHIANS 10:13)**

**DEVOTIONAL FOR
WEDNESDAY NIGHT**



MAY 3rd = Jamie Cobb

MAY 10th = Gerald Bennett

WELCOME VISITORS

We want to personally thank you for joining us today. It is our prayer you leave our worship service with an uplifted spirit. Below is what you can expect during our services.

SINGING: Non-instrumental music plays a great part of our worship services. We hope that you will find this to be an uplifting praise to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19)

LORD’S SUPPER: Each Sunday we observe the Lord’s Supper, which reflects on the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and the hope of everlasting life we now can live through Him. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

CONTRIBUTION: During the service, we as members are given the opportunity to give a portion of what God has given us. This money is used to support the church and to help spread God’s Word. (I Cor. 16:2)



Schedule of Services

Sunday:
 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
 Assembly 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Class: (Sept-May)
 Tuesday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

Preacher Gerald Bennett
Song Leader Tommy Bennett
Elders Gerald Bennett, Jamie Cobb
Deacons Dave Donohoe, Russell Dukes Jr.



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EMOTIONS AND RELIGION

I don’t always know how to say what I think in writing. But I have always appreciated reading from people that I have heard teach or preach and their writing sounds just like they talk. I guess that’s the goal for which I am reaching.

When emotion and logic collide, ten times out of nine, emotion will win. Emotion is not always rational or logical. The old expression comes to mind which says, “I would not trade the feeling I have in my heart for a stack of Bibles.” And the inference is my feelings have more weight in my decision making than the Bible. I believe that religion should never be “better felt than told”. That is it is better felt than what is told.

My conviction is that religion should be felt AS told! Our feelings are based upon what we believe. Feelings can be wrong. Remember Jacob believed that Joseph was dead so his feelings of sorrow and grief were based on what he believed. And he believed it was true but it was not. If what we believe is not true then our feelings are based on untruth.

But I do not want to reject feelings or emotions. I believe they are very important. When our feelings are based on truth they show that we are real. The Proverbs 15:13 says, “A joyful heart makes a cheerful face, But when the heart is sad, the spirit is broken.”

Religion is better felt than cold. There should be emotion. But remember life is not based on how we feel, but upon what is true.

THINK ABOUT IT!!!

GERALD

PRAYER LIST

"Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:16



REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS

Jenifer Woodley asked us to continue to pray for her parents, Sunday morning.

Our 249 Family

Janet Barnwell continues to receive treatment for cancer, and is dealing with back pain.

Sharon Bradley needs our prayers.

Doris Brown had surgery as an out-patient Wednesday.

Sherlyn Cartwright is recovering from having the carcinoma in her leg removed.

Bill Cartwright continues to have breathing problems.

Leroy Flowers continues to improve.

Alcadio Gonzales on top of other problems, recovering from surgery on his hand and arm.

Pam Woodley is having difficulties from a foot infection.

Ira Goode continues to regain his strength.

Stella Hamontree has begun a new treatment.

Luv Moore born with one kidney, he has an appointment with the kidney specialist.

Also Remember in Prayer

Larry & Jessica Harold & Family, Jackie Crawford, Jane Moody, Doris Peavler, Willie Collins, Daniel Williams and Robert Winston.

Friends and Family

Tony Mendoza, nephew of Lydia Walden. Ben Moon (Son of Mike & Carolyn) is undergoing therapy and they are hopeful. Van Webb (Brother-in-law of Mike Moon) has improved. Richard Ross (Sandra Collins' brother). Darlene Hodges (Sandra's aunt) rehab. Dot, Jerry, Leon & Morris Allee, Roy Allee, Stephen Gillespie, Andre White, (Debbie White's son), Lendon Richardson (cousin of Linda Cobb and son of Raymond and Vergie Richardson). Mrs. George (Shannon Cobb's grandmother), Doris Dromgoole, Debbie Bachmeyer and Doxie Nacol (Doris' daughters), Howard (Dixie's husband-Doris Peavler's sister), Terry Peavler (Doris' son) macular degeneration. Owen Cobb (great grandson of Linda Cobb), Mike Howsley (Doris Peavler's great nephew). Leslie Woodley has been diagnosed with diabetes and thyroid problem.

Shut-Ins

Thomas Bailey, Joyce Bradley, and Debbie Goode

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL

Gerald Bennett gave the devotional on the subject of pre-judging people. He told a story of two young couples who came to church and initially they were shunned. But all four obeyed the gospel. We must know that God is at work to reach the hearts of people; People that we sometimes pre-judge as not being interested. Our task is to tell them the gospel. We cannot know who will hear the gospel and believe. God will give the increase.



On Sunday April 23rd there were three men recognized to serve the congregation here at the 249 church of Christ. Gerald Bennett was ordained to serve with Jamie Cobb as an elder of the church. Dave Donohoe and Russell Dukes Jr. were ordained to minister as deacons of the church here.

WELCOMING THE TWINS

A box has been placed in the foyer for gifts for Liv & Luv Moore. The family became a part of our family just before their arrival.

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5TH SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS

This morning Linda Cobb will present a lesson in the Fellowship Hall to the ladies and the men will meet in the Auditorium for their class, taught by Russell Dukes, Sr.

FRIDAY NIGHT our All American Cook-Out was enjoyed by 44 people. We want to thank Jamie, Shannon, and Emily for hosting. Also special thanks to Jamie for doing the grilling. We had visitors present. The hamburgers, hot dogs and trimmings were delicious.

GERALD'S GLEANINGS

It was a good day last Sunday at 249!

There were 90 people in our assembly last Sunday. We continue to have visitors in each assembly. What a good surprise to have Dale Foster with us on Sunday morning. It was good to have Rolando and Claudia Gonzales with their son Hector. They were members of Lindale where I used to preach. Also, I hope you have met Robert and Peggy Aguirre. They have been assembling with us for a few weeks now. They are also former members of Lindale. Tommy Taylor has worshipped with us a couple of times but was not with us on Sunday. Tommy also came to us from Lindale. He is the brother-in-law of Travis and Donna Warren.

It was a blessing to have Sherlyn Gonzales express her desire to be a part of the assembly here at 249. We pray that we will be the blessing to her that she is to us. God is good.

Our monthly fun, food, and fellowship was held on Friday night. And it was very well attended. And it was good to have Dale Foster with us again. Jamie Cobb made it fun with his baseball humor and trivia. The food was great as usual. We had hamburgers, hot dogs and all the trimming. The fellowship was great and this is the most important part. We get to visit and get to know each other in an intimate setting. These events are important to the life of the church here at 249.

I love you!

Gerald