

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 singing 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)



PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of March 28, 2017

Bible Class	45
Morning Assembly	86
Evening Assembly	40
Wednesday Bible Class	24
Contribution	\$2016.00
Budget	1871.00
Over budget for week	145.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

**A.M. = FAITH AND LORDSHIP
(2 CORINTHIANS 1:21)**

**P.M. = THE POTTER AND THE CLAY
(JEREMIAH 18:1-10)**

**DEVOTIONAL FOR
WEDNESDAY NIGHT**



MAY 24th = Gerald Bennett

MAY 31st = Jamie Cobb

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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HATING GOD?

“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, {or} any likeness {of} what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, and on the third and the fourth {generations} of those who hate Me, but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments” (Deuteronomy 5:6-10 = NAS).

Notice the logic of the statement about God. If one has other gods before Him! If one makes an idol and worships it! Then one hates God. Now that sounds kind of drastic doesn’t it? Do you think that the Jews who made idols and worshipped them would have said that the hated God? Probably not. But it is not what they think that counts. That is, if their thinking disagrees with God’s thinking.

And let me remind you of the apostle Paul’s words to the Colossians in chapter 3:5 where he said, “Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.” Do you think that people who are greedy today would consider that they hate God? They probably would not.

As a matter of fact, when people are worshipping their idols, whatever they are, I don’t think that they are thinking about God at all. And probably most of the time when they do think about God, it is when they need Him to do something for them. And as John Piper says in His book about Desiring God, many people think more about the gifts that God gives them than they do of God Himself.

God desires us to love Him with all of our being. He wants us to know that our being in a relationship with Him is the absolute best that can we can possibly have. We get to fellowship God in Jesus Christ.

And God tells us that He will not accept less than our love. He wants us to love Him with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. And if we are loving anything more than we are loving Him, then we are hating Him. And I cannot imagine anyone wanting to hate God. But God says that they do.

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

Bill Murry has asked for our prayers for his parents who are both dealing with failing health, and asking for strength and wisdom in helping them. **Linda Cobb’s** cousin Lyndon Richardson has been diagnosed with cancer in his blood.

Our 249 Family

Peggy Aguirre is having pain.
Janet Barnwell is now at home, she has severe pain.
Judy Bennett is having extensive dental work.
Sharon Bradley needs our prayers.
Doris Brown has began her radiation treatments, is scheduled to have 16 treatments.
Sherlyn Cartwright is recovering from having the carcinoma in her leg removed.
Bill Cartwright continues to have breathing problems.
Alcadio Gonzales continues to have bad headaches we need to pray that they can find a doctor who is able to properly diagnose and treat this headaches.
Stella Hamontree has an infection and is scheduled for treatment June 1st.
Luv Moore born with one kidney.

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). Richard Ross (Sandra Collins’ brother). Darlene Hodges (Sandra’s aunt) rehab. Dot, Jerry, Leon & Morris Allee, Roy Allee, Stephen Gillespie, Andre White, (Debra’s son). Mrs. George (Shannon Cobb's grandmother), and Shannon’s cousin Johnny Atkinson. Doris Drom-goole, Debbie Bachmeyer, Howard (Dixie's husband - Doris Peavler's sister), Terry Peavler (Doris’ son) is recovering from gall bladder surgery at home. Owen Cobb (great grandson of Linda Cobb), Mike Howsley (Doris Peavler’s great nephew). Pam & Leslie Woodley. Charlie Womack has received a pacemaker. Laura Tullis (recovering at home from strokes). Ruthie Guterrez (friend of the Bennett’s) and Tina Jinks (friend of Shari Owen) have both been diagnosed with cancer. Rose Sanchez (sister of Robert Aguirre) is recovering from spine surgery. Virginia Martin and her 90 year old mother (neighbors of Linda Cobb) need our prayers. Wade Walker, brother of Mary Lewis has stage 4 cancer. Brandon Rendon is recovering from back surgery. **Shut-Ins:** Thomas Bailey, Joyce Bradley, and Debbie Goode

As you travel this summer, please let us know when you plan be away, allowing us to pray for you.

AREA CONGREGATIONAL SINGING – June 10th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Deerbrook congregation. Fellowship and Refreshments following the singing.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL

Our brother Dave Donohoe led us in our devotional thoughts this past Wednesday night. Dave used several passages that had provoked him to think more deeply into what was being said. His desire was to encourage us into doing the same. Every time we read and study the word of God there is more to learn.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Please remember we are in the process of getting our picture board up-dated. Emily is doing a great job taking the pictures and putting the names on them. If you have not had your picture made or need a new one taken, please see her.

And fill out the family information form for our new church directory. We are requesting that each family fill out this form.

RELIGIOUS QUOTES

“Do all the good you can. By all the means you can. In all the ways you can. In all the places you can. At all the times you can. To all the people you can. As long as ever you can.”

— John Wesley

“Our people must also learn to engage in good deeds to meet pressing needs, so that they will not be unfruitful.” Titus 3:14

The Apostle Paul

GERALD’S GLEANINGS

It was a very good day around 249 last Sunday!

We had several visitors again on Sunday morning. And we had visitors of Sunday evening and Wednesday evening. We are always thankful to have visitors and we want to make them feel welcome. But we need to remember that this is the church or assembly at 249. And we assemble to praise God together. We come together to encourage and uplift one another. And the 249 church does a great job of just that. I want to commend you and tell you how glad I am to be a part of that.

Some of our number got together after the assembly Sunday night and went bowling together. Those to which I spoke said that they had a really good time. And that they learned more about others who were involved. Things like this are really good for the church. Next time Judy and I will have to plan to be present. And we need to plan more of these kinds of things.

As I said before, we have decided to finish the Wednesday night study in the book of Hebrews. There are three more lessons in our study. And then I have a one lesson study of the book of Philemon. This will carry us through the month of June. Then in July and August we will have our Wednesday night summer series of guest speakers. There will be nine weeks in this special series. Then we will begin a new study in September.

I love you!

Gerald