

# PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of April 7, 2019

Bible Class	56
Morning Assembly	100
Evening Assembly	44
Wednesday Bible Class	38
Contribution	\$5960.00
Budget	1871.00



## SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

**A.M. = UNDERSTANDING WORSHIP**  
(John 4:24)

**P.M. = IF MY WORDS ABIDE IN YOU**  
(John 15:7)

## SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

**A.M. = A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD**  
(1 Peter 2:9-10)

**P.M. = ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS**  
(Ehpesians 1:3)

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE  
DEVOTIONAL**

**April 10<sup>th</sup> – Russell Dukes Sr.**

**April 24<sup>th</sup> – Johnny Thomas**

# 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)



## 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 9:30 a.m.

**Wednesday Bible Class** 7:00 p.m.

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



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**April 14, 2019**

**LET THERE BE LIGHT!**

I was watching a television program last week. Two people were talking as they looked up into the sky at night. One was telling the other how dark the sky is. About how the dark surrounds the stars in the sky. The other person said, “It was total darkness before there were stars.” I don’t remember the whole conversation, but this statement got my attention. And I remembered, Genesis 1:1-3 “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters. Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light.” That is how the Bible, the revelation of God begins.

And then I remembered John 1:1-5 “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.” Commentators and scholars say that the word “comprehend” could have better been translated “apprehend”. Jesus came into the world of darkness and shone as the light of the world. The darkness was first and then came the light.

And then I remembered Philippians 2:14-15 “Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,....” The world is a place of darkness and the gospel is preached to bring more Christians into the world to shine as lights.

And then I remembered Matthew 5:16 “Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.”

Do you remember?

**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



**JANET BARNWELL** is at home, visitors are welcome, please call first.

**IRA GOODE** is scheduled for cataract surgery on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**JANE MOODY** is having health problems.

**CELIA MOSLEY** is waiting on the results of a MRI on her back, she is also having neck pain.

**JANIE ROCKETT** to have pain in her legs.

**MICHAEL & ANDREA RUCKER** are still dealing with health issues.

**MARIA RUSH** had an appointment with her pain management doctor on Wednesday.

**TERRY PEAVLER** has lung cancer, he is taking chemo treatments.

**SHANNON COBB'S** father is at home following successful surgery.

### REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS

**VINCENT DAVIS**, brother of Ruth Power, is recovering at home following a procedure.

**DARION “DJ” WILEY**, Faith and Lawrence Clemons grandson is recovering from surgery to remove a tumor on his brain, but they have found out that it was cancerous. They will begin treatments with radiation. So please continue to pray fervently for him and for the family.

Many of our members are suffering due to allergies and various other illnesses.



*To Debbie White and her family at the passing of her aunt Lovie, Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. She is asking prayers for the family and Dennis (son of Lovie), who is in critical condition following a stroke and brain surgery.*



**FAMILY, FUN, FOOD  
FRIDAY NIGHT  
APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>  
7:00P.M.  
MENU: POT LUCK.**



**SUNNY GLEN GROCERY TRUCK** is now scheduled to arrive on April 17<sup>th</sup>, to pick up your donations.



A **PRAYER LIST** is on the table in the foyer. Please keep us updated as to those you have asked us to pray for.



### SISTERS MARK YOUR CALENDARS



For the **Spring Breakfast and Fellowship for the Ladies of the 249 church of Christ.**

**Saturday May 4, 2019 in the fellowship hall from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Sharon Bradley will be the speaker for this occasion.**



### GOD'S LOVE AND GOD'S HOLINESS

“God vindicates His right to forgive sin by bringing it to us through the death of Jesus Christ. The Christ who was “delivered up for our transgressions” was delivered up because God would not spare even Him. Rather than weakening the biblical witness to God’s holiness, the cross underscores it. Were it not for His love there would have been not cross. But if His love were not holy, there would have been no need for the cross.”

**Jim McGuigan – The God of The Towel**

### GERALD'S GLEANINGS

Another good Sunday was enjoyed around 249 this week.

Visitors are always welcome at 249 and we had visitors for which we are so thankful. And you made them feel welcome so we hope they will come back and visit us soon.

Spring has sprung and the weather around Houston is warming up. I saw where the temperature was 91. But the weather man said that is not a record. This means that we have had hotter weather in the past. We must remember that as long as time lasts there will be seasons. God is faithful and His word is true.

I try to plan my preaching ahead of time. And I publish the titles of them in the bulletin each week. I try to preach upon subjects that are timely and relevant. I listen to what you are talking about. I look at the things that are happening around us. And sometimes I get ideas from books or television programs. As I have told you, I read a lot. And of course, I read the Bible every day. If ever you have suggestions to give me please do not hesitate to do so.

The reunion for our family on my daddy's side is scheduled for this weekend. I believe that family reunions are important. Especially as we get older and are aware that time is passing us by. I think that is true about our Sunday assemblies. Our spiritual family gathers together each week.

I love you!

Gerald