

THE FRIEND OF TRUTH

Greensboro Road church of Christ

2008 Old Greensboro Road
Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401

“Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?” (Galatians 4:16)

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Terry Joe Kee
Bill Willard

MISSIONARIES

Rajesh Bonthu
Mark Brewer
Michael Hughes
Arnold Kelley
Will Sadler
Johnny Robertson

SERVICES

SUNDAY

Classes 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

Hear the Word of God
Romans 10:17

Believe the Word of God
John 8:24

Repent of your sins
Luke 13:3

Confess your faith in Jesus
as the Son of God
Romans 10:9,10

Be Baptized for the remis-
sion of your sins
Acts 2:38

Live faithfully
Revelation 2:10

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KeepNotes

Every day we are able to walk among men and live here we are blessed. We all have a need to express and be thankful for the good days we enjoy in Christ and in His kingdom. Along with the good comes the sorrows that we face. We suffer with two families as we have lost two very precious souls this past week. Thursday we buried Sister Marilee Pruitt and then on Friday we buried Al Jaress. With their passing we have two seats which now sit empty. They are already missed and will be for a long time to come. Keep these two families in your daily prayers and remembrances.

We rejoice that we have had those who have been restored to their first loves this past week as well. In a sense we can say they have been brought back to life in Christ. Our sister, Jamie Holland, came after services were concluded Sunday night and expressed her godly sorrow for her past unfaithfulness and a renewed desire and zeal for doing what is right and good. She asked for and received our prayers. We rejoiced to go to the throne of God in her behalf. We welcome her back into the fellowship of believers.

On Wednesday night before services our sister, Stacy Williams, met with me and confessed her past unfaithfulness and

a desire to be forgiven and restored. Stacy said she had done and said things which are not appropriate for a Christian to be saying or doing. She asked for our prayers that she might be stronger and diligently using her talents in the vineyard of the Lord.

We welcome these two sisters in Christ back and rejoice in their desire to be made stronger in Christ. Remember them and be an exhorter and encourager to them both in the days ahead.

We had a good number to attend the Bible Bowl Monday night. I am thankful for everyone who came and took part in the gathering. I was impressed by our young ones and how they were ready and able to answer Bible questions from the book of Acts. This next month, September 26, will be the next time for the gathering of those involved in the Bible Bowl. Next time we will meet at Washington Avenue church of Christ and will be studying Acts 12 and Acts 13. Be studying and working hard to prepare for our next meeting.

Pewpackers Class will begin meeting again on September 11 before Sunday evening services begin. Make plans to be present and enjoy a good time of Bible study.



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Dear Brethren,

The church here at Des Arc sends it's greetings, our love and appreciation to all of you. We are so thankful for your love and consideration, for your prayers and faithfulness. May God continue to bless each one of you individually and collectively. We have been blessed beyond measure by your acts of kindness, concern and love and prayers, as have many in the community here.

To date, 31 families and 14 individuals have been helped in our community with the cards from Wal-Mart that were sent to help those who were in need. There were many that broke down in tears, People here could not understand how someone they had never met, cared enough to see to their needs at a time when they needed it most. We have all been humbled, by God's love shown through you.

You, my brethren, have affected the lives of so many here in Des Arc. You continued to show your love and concern in sending more relief to those affected by the floods. Five thousand dollars was received by the church here and we started immediately assessing the needs of those who were trying to rebuild but did not have the funds to do so. To date, Nine families received 45 sheets of sheet rock, Five families received 25 sheets and Three families received 20 sheets. Each sheet costing \$7.26, for a total of \$4,283.40 spent thus far. We are still in the process of re-visiting each one and seeing how the work is progressing and seeing if there are those who may need additional sheet rock.

There are those who are working by themselves and are slowly but surely coming along and there are those who have almost finished. We are in the process of trying to find help for one gentleman that needs help tearing out and hanging his sheet rock.

Through your love, kindness and generosity doors and windows have been opened that otherwise would have been shut to the church here. Brethren, not only have you given of your hearts and liberality, you have shown benevolence beyond measure, you have given of yourselves and preached a sermon to the people here in Des Arc and the church here is forever grateful. It is our hope and prayer that one day we can be involved in mighty works like you. Words will never be enough. May God receive the glory and may He bless and keep each one of you. We have been blessed to be in fellowship with you and our prayers go with you.

Your Sister,
The Des Arc church of Christ

A THREE MINUTE SERMON TO QUITTERS

Author Unknown

Now and then, a member of the church is heard to say, “I don’t go to church anymore, because I had some business dealings with a man of the church and he didn’t treat me right.” Or, “one of the biggest hypocrites I know goes over there.”

Shame! Shame! What is the matter with you? Do you go to services to worship a man? Of course, in a congregation of this size you will find a few who are not all what they should be . . . But what has that so do with **your citizenship and your worship?** You know that the church does not endorse hypocrisy or crookedness on the part of anyone. This is clearly demonstrated in your case. We know you are acting foolishly and sinning in the sight of God when you let someone else keep you from doing your duty. Now, if the church is not able to control you, why do you object so loudly and strenuously because it has not always controlled a few others?

The easiest thing in the world is just to quit, but I think you know as well as anyone what the Bible says will happen to quitters. The picture that John saw of the redeemed wearing the white robes and walking the streets of heaven was not a picture of a quitter. They had tribulations a plenty, but they endured in spite of them. They did not quit!

One of these days the shades will be drawn in your room and people will tiptoe and whisper. Then the undertaker will drive up in his funeral car and the preacher will be sent for. Those flashy excuses you have been using will not do you one bit of good when you stand before the judge of all the earth.

BIBLE READING FOR THE WEEK:

August

27. ◇◇◇ Job 31-32	Ps. 57	Luke 20
28. ◇◇◇ Job 33-34	Ps. 58	Luke 21
29. ◇◇◇ Job 35-36	Ps. 59	Luke 22
30. ◇◇◇ Job 37-38	Ps. 60	Luke 23

31. ◇◇◇ Job 39-40	Ps. 61	Luke 24
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September

1. ◇◇◇ Job. 41-42	Ps. 62	John 1
2. ◇◇◇ Eccl. 1-2	Ps. 63	John 2-3

NEWS AND NOTES

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Glodean Huffman has been released from the hospital and is now back at St. Elizabeth's Place.

Althea Bahus has been moved to Heathsouth, room 201, by the door.

Robert & Laura Harder's daughter, **Patricia** fell & broke her hip and is in AMMC, room 403 in Paragould.

Please also remember in your prayers: Marshall Lands, Dorothy Henry, Phyllis Whistle, Lewis Preston (Paula Presley's dad), Homer Harper and Alta Vineyard (Carol Willcockson's brother and mother **and those listed on the bulletin boards.**

Our sister **Marilee Pruitt** passed away on early Tuesday morning . Her services where held on Thursday.

Visitation Team # 4 (Jody Pickens & Marshall Lands) will meet tonight after evening services in the foyer to pick up their assignments.

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer for the **Men's Turkey Mountain Golf Outing** on Sept. 17th. The cost is approximately \$30+tax. Please sign-up if you plan to go and see Aaron Honeycutt for questions.

Remember our **Coat Drive** has been scheduled for October 8th from 9 am – 12 noon.

Seek The Old Paths are on the tables in the foyer.

Scripture of the Week: I Cor. 9:11 "If we have sown unto you spiritual things, *it is* a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things?"

Wednesday Evening Devotional August 31, 2011 Bill Willard

Our Record for August 21, 2011

<i>Sunday A. M. Worship</i>	<i>162</i>
<i>Sunday P.M. Worship</i>	<i>134</i>
<i>Wednesday Bible Study</i>	<i>138</i>
<i>Contribution</i>	<i>\$5125</i>
<i>Mission Fund</i>	<i>\$25.00</i>

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