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**Our Mission:** We are followers of Christ, united for the purpose of spreading the "good news" to others through outreach, edification, benevolence and fellowship.

**Our Vision:** The East Allen County Church of Christ family will be known for its dedication toward spiritual growth and encouragement until Christ comes again.

**CONTRIBUTION:** \$4520.24 **HUNGRY HERMAN:** \$200.00 **RESTRICTED:** \$1725.00 **TOTAL:** \$6445.24  
**BUDGET:** \$4198.00  
**YEAR TO DATE RESPONSES:** 4  
**PLACED MEMBERSHIP:** 0  
**YEAR TO DATE BAPTISMS:** 1  
**WORSHIP A.M.:** 134  
**WORSHIP P.M.:** N/A  
**BIBLE STUDY:** Inclement Weather



**Communion Preparation For: February 21, 2010**  
Johnson/McCurdy

**East Allen Worship Schedule For February, 2010**  
Scripture Reading: Tim Shauver

Lord's Table Comments: H. McKamey, B. Martz, C. Wiggins, M. Cary  
Communion Table: B. Schepper, J. Currie, T. Currie, C. Martz, B. Pendergrast, B. Cains  
Sunday A.M. Opening Prayer: R. Hudgins, P. Michel, R. Hudgins, L. Robrock  
Sunday A.M. Closing Prayer: B. Schepper, C. Wiggins, H. McKamey, R. Hudgins  
Sunday P.M. Opening Prayer: J. Currie, B. Hartz, L. Robrock, B. Cains  
Sunday P.M. Closing Prayer: P. Michel, B. Hart, B. McCurdy, J. Nichols  
Sunday A.M. & P.M.: J. Nichols/S. Wagoner  
Wednesday Evening Prayer: L. Robrock, W. Smith, C. Wiggins, B. Martz  
Wednesday Evening Song Leader: E. Confer  
Wednesday Evening Invitation: J. Currie, T. Mathias, H. McKamey, A. Reece  
Wednesday Evening Announcements: H. McKamey

**"MAY THE GLORY OF GOD FILL US, THE HOUSE OF GOD"**  
**I KINGS 8:10**

## EAST ALLEN COUNTY CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 14, 2010

### CONFER'S COMMENTARY

#### *Good Old Fashioned Values*

In a bulletin article written by a friend of mine a phrase caught my eye. "Good old fashioned values." This phrase in postmodern America seems so out-of-date and arcane. I was watching Fox News on Sunday morning and a former army colonel was criticizing the "don't ask, don't tell" policy regarding homosexuals in the military. He was clearly in favor of promoting the social engineering of the military by allowing homosexuals to serve openly. The colonel used the term arcane when referring to anyone who believed that openly gay men and women in military were harmful to national defense.

But good old-fashioned values cover a wide swath of conduct and behavior. While it is popular for couples to live together Scripture warns against such an arrangement. (Hebrews 13:4) What has happened to honesty and integrity? (Proverbs 11:1; Ephesians 4:25) According to John Stossel, an increasing percentage (60%) of Americans rely on the federal government. What does that say about personal responsibility and the work ethic? (2 Thessalonians 3:10) While there are genuine victims in the world we have stumbled mightily due to people blaming everyone and everything for their problems. Like King Ahab of Israel people increasingly point the finger of blame to the prophet Elijah as "the troubler of Israel." (1 Kings 18:17) As a society folks need to restore the practice of accepting responsibility for their lives.

Good old-fashioned values grow out of one's character. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. envisioned a time in our great country when people would judge you not on the basis of color but on the "content of your character." Character does matter. Colossians 3:12-14 lists many of the qualities that form the basis of good old-fashioned values. Compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience lay the foundation for good old-fashioned values. (Cf. Ephesians 4:17-5:21; Galatians 5:22-23) You may be thinking that the good old-fashioned values are Christian Values. You would be correct! These values are deeply connected to one's relationship to the God of the Bible.

The avenue to developing good old-fashioned values starts with understanding the Lord. This is why Genesis 1:1 affirms, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." God's Word answers that basic question, "Where did we come from?" Values and character are established early in the Word of God. They begin and end with God. Study Genesis two if you doubt me. One of my professors in graduate school claimed that if you want to learn how to live ethically read Genesis. Paul indicts the Gentiles as being without excuse. (Romans 1:18-32) While this sounds like the ABC's of values as a society we have sprinted away from the notion that values are bound by knowing the God of Scripture.

Good old-fashioned values are the result of knowing and loving the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Once we recognize God's love for us and submit to His authority our character begins to be transformed and Christ lives in us. (Galatians 2:20)



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#### SERVICE TIMES

Sunday  
Bible Study 9:00 AM  
Worship 10:00 AM  
Worship 6:00 PM

Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

#### MINISTERS

Everett Confer  
Herchel McKamey

#### ELDERS

Jim Cagnet  
Lynn Robrock  
Wil Smith  
Chuck Wiggins

#### DEACONS

Mike Cary~Finance  
Jason Currie~Benevolence

#### BUILDING LOCKUP

Paul Michel

#### ELDER IN CHARGE

Wil Smith

#### INVITATION

Wil Smith

#### MISSIONS

Dale Turner

#### BUILDING & GROUNDS

John Geary  
Ron Hardy  
Matt Blair  
Billy Cains  
Aaron Muldoon

#### WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

Paul Michel  
Ken Tanner

#### YOUTH

Adam Reece



**NEW PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Boroski Family**~Prayers are requested for the family of the late Joe Boroski. Joe's wife Vicki is the cousin of Debi Confer. Joe passed away very unexpectedly on Saturday, February 6th. In addition to his wife Vicki he leaves a son JJ, a daughter Jaime, and two granddaughters Elly and Alivia. Please remember this family as they grieve and go through the adjustment of life without their loved one being present.

**Roger Eller**~Roger has been moved to room #404. We do not have his new phone number yet.

**Gerri McCracken**~Gerri responded and is seeking prayers on her behalf. She wants to stop complaining, is seeking strength, is very thankful and wants to understand the power of God's word better.

**CONTINUED PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Bob Batts**~Bob is a friend of the Dingers. He recently had surgery. The surgeons were surprised to find an 8 cm stone as well since Bob had no symptoms of the stone. He is doing very well!

**Brenda Bradtmueller**~Brenda is a friend of Karen Johnson. Brenda has thyroid cancer and has been receiving treatment. Prayers are requested that she does not have a reoccurrence of this cancer.

**Adam Davis**~Adam has requested prayers as he begins a new career path. He will be working with Shults Lewis.

**Ron Hardy**~Ron responded and has asked for prayers. He is asking for strength in his faith walk.

**Kay Howes**~Kay is the long time friend of Cliff and Bev Fraser who recently had surgery. She is home after 10 days in the hospital and a few days in rehab. She is weak but is able to function by herself. She will have people checking on her frequently. She would like to thank everyone for prayers on her behalf.

**Norma Lothamer**~Norma is the sister-in-law of Red and Betty Hudgins. Norma is in the Paulding Hospital. She is being monitored for low blood sugar. After her levels are stable she is to be moved to the Dallas Lamb Nursing Home in Payne, OH for rehab.

**THOSE WITH LONG TERM HEALTH ISSUES**

Marsha Chapman~Cancer	Bev Fraser	Dick Shenfield~Cancer
Noble Dinger	Ed Gardner~Cancer	Gary Shippy~Cancer
Charlotte Dye	Joann Pickett~Cancer	Teresa Tester~Rheumatoid Arthritis
Roger Eller	Linda Robrock~Pulmonary Hypertension	Ernest West~Cancer
Jimmy Farmer~Cancer		

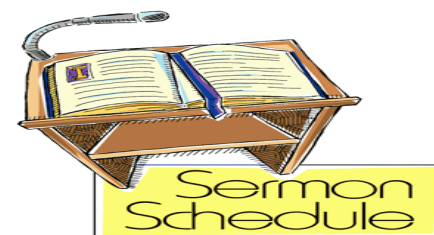
**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Claire Frame**~Claire is due to be born in April. She has a heart defect that will require several surgeries starting with one as soon as she is born. Claire's parents and grandparents are good friends of the Confers.

**SHUT INS**

Dorothy Inman~Renaissance Village	Adlebert Schuster~Coventry Meadows
Bob Jones~Village of Heritage	Rex Surber~At Home
Hazel Price ~Woodview Healthcare	

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE SERMONS ARE BEING TAPED SO IF YOUR CHILD BECOMES RESTLESS PLEASE TAKE THEM TO THE NURSERY. ~THE ELDERS~**



**A.M. ONE THINGS IS NECESSARY**

**Luke 10:38~42**

**Everett Confer**

**P.M. THE SERVANT HEART**

**MARRIAGE MATTERS**

**Session 1**

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**HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE YOU.....**

- \*Took time to go see someone who lives alone?
- \*Wrote a letter to someone who crossed your mind?
- \*Read the Bible to someone too ill to read for themselves?
- \*Encouraged someone who was having a hard time being a Christian?
- \*Prayed earnestly for someone who was faltering?
- \*Tried to have a Bible study with someone you knew was lost?
- \*Spent more time on your knees praying than on the phone talking?
- \*Informed your family of your love and appreciation of them?

**EVERY CHRISTIAN CAN DO SOMETHING TO ENCOURAGE SOMEONE ELSE!!!! ~COPIED**

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**Nursery Volunteer**

Linda Schuster	Feb	14, 2010
Get Nichols	Feb	21, 2010
Sandy McCurdy	Feb	28, 2010
Liz Knight	Mar	7, 2010

Sunday Cradle Roll:	Angela Wagoner
Wednesday Evening:	Deb Hart/Deb Cary



**ELDERS/MINISTERS MEETING: TODAY** the Elders and Ministers will be having their monthly meeting. The meeting will be in room #9. The times are 3:30 PM & 4:30 PM respectively.



**BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY FELLOWSHIP:** On Sunday, February 21st after the evening service we will be celebrating the birthdays and anniversaries in the month of February. Bring a finger food to share. Cakes will be provided. Those in charge this month are: **SET UP~GROUP #2, SERVE~GROUP #3 AND CLEAN UP~GROUP #4.**



**WINTERFEST:** Please keep our youth and their chaperons in your prayers as they are traveling to Gatlinburg, TN this week. They are attending Winterfest which begins on Friday, February 19th and will conclude on Sunday, February 21st. The theme is "The Veil". Pray for safe travels and that our youth will come back with more knowledge of God's word.



**A WORD OF THANKS:** Dear Church Family, What would we have done without you during my recent surgery & recovery process? I'm so glad I can't answer that! You were there with good food, telephone calls, visits and cards. It's hard to express just how much everything was and is appreciated. We love you all very much and thank you, thank you, thank you. Love in Christ, Tish & Dean



**AREA WIDE SING & POTLUCK:** Mark you calendars for Sunday, February 28th. The East Allen County congregation along with the East Chestnut congregation will be hosting an area wide hymn sing and a potluck. The activities will be held at the **EAST CHESTNUT** building. The potluck will begin at 1:00 PM. The singing will begin afterwards. East Allen **WILL** be having evening services.



**TEACHERS' MEETING:** There is going to be a teachers' meeting on Sunday, February 21st. This meeting will take place immediately after the morning service. All teachers and any potential teachers are urged to attend this meeting. If you have any questions please see Jason Currie.



**UPCOMING HARBORSIDE SERVICE:** Please take note that on Sunday, **March 14th** East Allen is in charge of the worship service at Harborside. The service will begin at 2 PM. Everyone is encouraged to come and be apart of this ministry.



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We are in need of volunteers for Sunday evenings during the Marriage Matters series. Volunteers are needed each week for the next 7 Sundays. Jason and Shannon are covering this evening.

This period is for children from the ages of 5th grade and below. Volunteers are needed so the parents can benefit from the series. Please see Jason if you are able to help out.