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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:** \$2988.52 **HAITI:** \$195.00 **TOTAL:** \$3183.52

**BUDGET:** \$4198.00

**YEAR TO DATE RESPONSES:** 3

**PLACED MEMBERSHIP:** 0

**YEAR TO DATE BAPTISMS:** 1

**WORSHIP A.M.:** 152

**WORSHIP P.M.:** 82

**BIBLE STUDY:** 90



**Communion Preparation For: February 14, 2010**

Cary/Reece

**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 7, 2010

## CONFER'S COMMENTARY

### *Marriage Matters*

Over the years I have heard the idea expressed that the strength of the church and the nation lies with the strength of the family. Marriage is the cornerstone of the family. In order for the children to enter this world as God intended there needs to be a healthy marriage. Is your marriage everything the Lord intended it to be? Are there areas where you could use some help? God established the marriage relationship. (Genesis 2:18-25) The Scriptures provide the basic framework for making marriage workable and permanent.

At EAC we are excited to host **Marriage Matters** a DVD series on Sunday evenings beginning February 14<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Jerry Jones and his wife Lynn conduct marriage seminars all across the country. This series is the result of their work that began in 1996. I promise that this series will be a blessing to your marriage. Jerry Jones was a Bible teacher of mine when I attended Harding University. His wife Lynn brings the background of psychology and counseling. Together they share biblical principles and relevant timely applications to strengthen marriages. Marriage is too important to take for granted. When our marriages are strong and growing the local church is strong and growing.

If you know someone who is engaged or plans to join the ranks of the married then invite them to attend this series. Too many people assume they understand what it takes to make marriage work and last a lifetime. While most folks have good intentions when they "tie the knot" they are often ill prepared to handle all of the issues, concerns and pressures that married life brings. This is why we do pre-marital counseling for engaged couples. We are not trying to warn couples but prepare them for the highs and lows that they find along life's journey.

The series will last eight weeks. Each session is about an hour. There will be childcare so that parents can attend. We plan to conclude each session with a question-n-answer period. The series includes the following topics.

**Session 1 – The Servant Heart**

**Session 2 – Affair Proofing Your Marriage**

**Session 3 – Please Listen To Me, Part I**

**Session 4 – Please Listen To Me, Part II**

**Session 5 – This is Not Quite What I Expected (Unrealistic Expectations)**

**Session 6 – Trouble In Paradise: Pornography**

**Session 7 – Loving Your Mate Through The Seasons Of Life, Part I**

**Session 8 – Loving Your Mate Through The Seasons Of Life, Part II**

My heartfelt hope and prayer is that the series builds and nourishes our marriages at EAC. To God be the glory!



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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**

**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.

**CONTINUED PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Confer Family**~Everett and Debi are requesting prayers for Denver and Audrey as they begin their journey as parents and for Audrey's healing from her c-section.

**Brooks Pendergrast**~Brooks recently had surgery for a torn tendon in his left arm. Prayers are asked for a complete recovery.

**Prosser Family**~Yolanda Prosser has requested prayer for her mom (Marsha Chapman). Marsha had an ultrasound done on her abdomen last Wednesday. A spot was found so they were checking on that. She also requested prayer for the Stewart family at their recent loss of Esther Stewart who was a member at East Chestnut. Also, Yolanda asks for prayers for her and her family that they will continue to strive to do the Lord's will.

**Ronda Schmitz**~Prayers have been requested for Ronda, Marc and their grandsons. Please keep Ronda's daughter Lindsey in your prayers as well. Let us be of strength and encouragement to Ronda and her family.

**Alyse Shie**~Alyse had her gallbladder removed on Wednesday. She is at home recovering.

**THOSE WITH LONG TERM HEALTH ISSUES**

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| 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   |                                      |                                    |

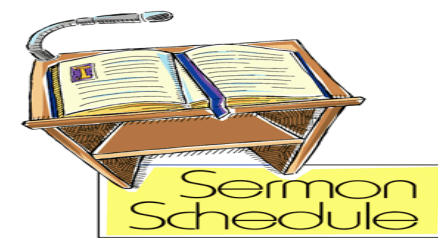
**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS**

**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.

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| 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. WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?**

**Luke 10:25-37**

**Everett Confer**

**P.M. Q~n~A THE CHRISTIAN AND THE LOTTERY**

**Proverbs 28:20**

**Everett Confer**

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**HAPPINESS**

Happiness is something we create in our mind, it's not something we search for and so seldom find, it's just waking up and beginning the day by counting our blessings and kneeling to pray, it's giving up thoughts that breed discontent and accepting what comes as a gift heaven~sent, it's giving up wishing for things we have not and making the best of whatever we've got, it's knowing that life is determined for us, and pursuing our tasks without fret, fume or fuss, for it's by completing what God gives us to do that we find real contentment and happiness, too.

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**Nursery Volunteer**

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| Angela Wagoner | Feb | 7, 2010  |
| Linda Schuster | Feb | 14, 2010 |
| Get Nichols    | Feb | 21, 2010 |
| Sandy McCurdy  | Feb | 28, 2010 |

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



**ATTENTION YOUTH: TODAY** there will be a **Winter-fest Meeting** following the morning service in room #8. All youth who are planning on going and their parents need to attend this meeting. If you have not already made it, the **FINAL** payment is due on **TODAY**. Please keep our youth in your prayers as they make final preparations and while they are at this event which takes place February 19-21 in Gatlinburg, TN.



**DEVOTIONAL & SUPER BOWL PARTY:** The youth will be having a devotional and Super Bowl Party at the home of Joe and Get Nichols on Sunday, February 7th at 5:30 PM. Everyone is asked to bring snacks and beverages.



**YOUNG ADULTS:** The young adults will be meeting at the home of Jason and Shannon Currie on Friday, February 12th at 6:00 PM. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass. If you have any questions please see Jason or Shannon.



**BARNABAS MEETING:** TODAY there will be the monthly Barnabas Meeting. The meeting will take place at 5:00 PM and it will be held in Room #9. If you have any questions please see Everett. All are welcome to attend.



**ELDERS/MINISTERS MEETING:** Next Sunday, February 14th 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.



**CHILDREN'S CLASS:** During the **MARRIAGE MATTERS** series on Sunday evenings there will be a period of Bible study for the children. This class is for all children that are in the 5th grade or below. It is being provided so the parents can benefit from the series.

**EVERYONE NEEDS SOMEONE**

People need people and friends need friends  
And we all need love for a full life depends  
Not on vast riches or great acclaim,  
Nor on success or on worldly fame,  
But just in knowing that someone cares  
And holds us close in their thoughts and prayers~  
For only the knowledge that we're understood  
Makes everyday living feel wonderfully good,  
And we rob ourselves of life's greatest need  
When we "lock up our hearts" and fail to heed  
The outstretched hand reaching to find  
A kindred spirit whose heart and mind  
Are lonely and longing to somehow share  
Our joys and sorrows and to make us aware  
That life's completeness and richness depends  
On the things we share with our loved ones and friends.

~ Helen Steiner Rice