



Bro. Ed's Epistle

Will you not yourself revive us again, that your people may rejoice in You? Psalm 85:6

The Psalmist cried out to God for a true revival from God. In that prayer, he recognized that true revival can only come from God. We cannot manufacture revival. That would result in a counterfeit movement that would only serve to discourage and discredit us in the future. So, how do we experience real revival? The psalmist gives us a pattern. First, we must pray for God to send it. Secondly, we must wait for revival by listening to God as He speaks through His word. Thirdly, we must truly repent, turn away from every sin. And finally, when revival comes, we must rejoice in God and give Him the glory for it.

We will be having a community wide revival meeting at Pleasant Ridge Feb. 13-17 at 6:30 PM each evening. Join me in prayer, waiting and repentance that God will send us true revival so that we can rejoice in Him.

I love you and thank God for the joy of serving with you in His field.

DATES AND ACTIVITIES TO REMEMBER

FEB. 8TH BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST – 8:00 a.m. at Cracker Barrel – vans will leave the church parking lot at 7:30 A.M. for those who need a ride – ALL MEN ARE INVITED

FEB 13TH – 17TH – HUEYTOWN REVIVAL at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church. We will be participating in the Sunday Evening service on the 13th and the Wednesday Night service on the 16th, 6:30 p.m. Please pray for this Revival effort.

SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

Sarah Chandler-51251 Emory Oak Circle-Bessemer, AL 35022
Gayle Coshatt-3380 Park Road East, Pleasant Grove, AL 35127

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STANDING ON GOD'S PROMISES – *He does exactly what He says* – 2 Co. 1:19. Did you ever have a friend break a promise? The check doesn't come, the repair man doesn't show up? Count on it, people will let you down. But God won't, "He always does exactly what he says. He fulfills all His promises. Knowing that enables you to keep walking by faith. Just keep praying and keep trusting. Someone said that God answers prayers three ways, yes, no and wait. Sometimes we want an immediate answer and are impatient. I am reminded of the song that we sing, it goes like this – "In His time, in His time, He makes all things beautiful in His time, Lord, please show me every day, as you're teaching me your way, that you do just what you say, in your time." So today I challenge you as I remind myself that God is in control. And one of my favorite scriptures is the one of my favorite scriptures is the one that Bro. Ed likes. It's found in Proverbs 3:5,6. Would you look it up and claim it for yourselves to?

JANUARY – has not been too good (weather wise) but He just keeps blessing us and for that we should be thankful. Attendance has been pretty good but the spirit of the Lord has been in this place. We love to sing that little chorus that says "We are standing on Holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around, let us praise Jesus now, we are standing in His presence on Holy Ground."

JAN. 30TH – Fifth Sunday – This one is a little different than the usual 5th Sunday. Regular 11:00 AM service, then we welcome Tonya Jones to our evening service for a full concert singing from her recent C.D. "My Redeemer Lives." We will take up a love offering for her music ministry and then have a church wide fellowship downstairs. Invite neighbors and friends.

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HARRY'S HEARTBEAT- As we begin the New Year, there is one word that we must constantly guard against. Mediocrity! It can affect our personal lives, our family, our church. It will rob us of our vision. Someone has said Mediocrity is just the best of the worst, and the worst of the best. Is that what we want? I don't think so! Then we must be willing to forfeit the safety of being where we are, in order to go where God wants us to go.

Helen Keller says, "Security is a myth. The reason we don't experience it is because it doesn't exist. Avoiding danger or failure is no safer in the long run than out-right risk. Life is either a daring adventure or nothing at all." She also said, "That the only thing worse than being blind, is having eye sight but no vision."

If we want to see the vision God has in store for FHBC, we need to resolve to pray every morning the words of the old hymn, "Open Me Eyes That I May See." The chorus simply says "Silently now I (we) wait for thee, Ready, my (our) God, Thy will to see; Open my (our) eyes illumine me (us), Spirit divine!" Only believer, Mark 9:23.



Thank You – *There are no words to express our appreciation to our church family for the love and kindness you have shown during Lester's lengthy illness. Thank you for all the prayers, visits, cards, food and kind words you have shared with us. We love you all.*

Rachel, Mike and Tim Townsend.

Dear Church Family,
What a blessing you have been to us during the past weeks. Thank you for the food, cards, visits and phone calls, but most of all for your prayers for us.

We have ask God to lead us as we make some major changes in our life and we will continue to need your prayers and words of encouragement.

Thank you for being the loving family you are.
Buck and Dean Williams

Our love and prayers go out to Bill Guthrie and family in the death of his mother, Aloyce Guthrie

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VITAL STATS

ATTENDANCE	
Sunday School	101
Mission School	42
Shut Ins	24
Total	167

REGULAR OFFERING	\$3,290.00
Memory James McNutt	90.00
Sav-A Life-Bro.Ed.	70.00
Gideon Bibles	
Mem. James McNutt	25.00

TOTAL \$3,475.00



DEACON MINISTRY
Week of **JANUARY 30, 2011**
Earl Robins 485-7291

SECURITY PATROL
Sunday, **JANUARY 30, 2011**
AM – Burry Thompson,
Jimmy Gilmore
PM – Terrell Anderson,
Bob Key



Contributions made to Church Ministries. . .

Memorials

In loving memory of James McNutt a donation was made of \$90 with a note "Sending loving thoughts and prayers to you for His peace to surround you" with love from your neighbors in Sunny Dell.

Sav-A-Life

Bro. Ed for Sav-A-Life Walk
Given by Lois Kelley \$50
Given by Kitty Glover \$20

Gideon Bibles Memorial

\$25 in Gideon Bibles given in loving memory of James McNutt by the Sonshine Sunday School Class, Mary Monk's Class (Latty).

Correction in Jan. 9th edition of

Alabama Baptist.
Donation of \$25 in Gideon Bibles by Mary Monk's Sonshine Class in loving memory of Lester Townsend.



Business Mtg. for Presentation & Discussion of 2011 Budget
Wed., Jan. 26, 2011

VOTE ON 2011 BUDGET
(No Discussion)
SUNDAY, JAN. 30TH

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One day trip to Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge at Decatur on Thursday, February 3rd. If you are interested in going, call Ginny Elam