



Ed Cruce, Pastor  
 Harry Sims, Minister of Education & Evangelism  
 Lloyd Jones, Minister of Music

**DEACON ON CALL**  
 WEEK OF April 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Eddie Hill  
 744-6341

**SECURITY PATROL**  
 AM- Bob Key  
 PM- Earl Robins

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**Attendance April 21, 2013**

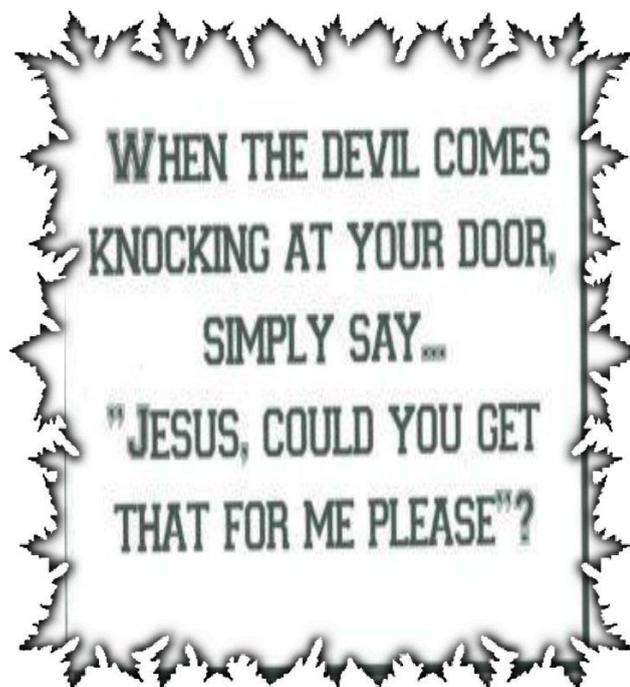
Sunday School	70
Mission School	22
Shut Ins	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>117</b>

Regular Offering	\$	3753.00
Annie Armstrong		280.00
Bread From Heaven		25.00
Gideon Bibles		26.00
Disaster Relief		4.00
Insurance Reimbursemet		232.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4320.00</b>

**Annie Armstrong Offering**

**Goal - \$3000.00**

**Current Total - \$3190.94**



**Church Phone Number 205-780-6621**

**BRO. ED'S EPISTLE** – *"And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high."*

Luke 24:49

Jesus' final instructions to His disciples was to wait until He sent the Holy Spirit upon them. When He came upon them on the Day of Pentecost, they were emboldened to preach the gospel to everyone, and their world was forever changed. Waiting is hard for most of us. However, it is necessary when Jesus commands it. There are times when we can't do anything else but wait. During those times, we can rely upon the promises of Jesus. He has promised His power, His presence and His return for us. May we be faithful to proclaim the gospel as we wait for the promises of our Lord.

It is a joy to serve with you. I look forward to worship and fellowship with you as we gather this week in God's house.

**LLOYD'S LINES** – Thanks so much to each of you who came to our Special Day on the Highlands, Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup>. The Choir did an outstanding job on the presentation of the special musical program. We hope that you were blessed. It is a joy to work with this group and I thank the Lord for being your Worship Leader. Also hats off to Barbara and her dedicated workers for such a good job of feeding the multitude who came to the luncheon. Thanks to many of you who contributed the delicious food and desserts. Looking forward to our next time on special days.

Speaking of our Choir, we are in need of new members. We have lost some due to illness. So if you have ever thought of joining the choir, then the time is NOW. If you are interested then let me know. "God loves you and so do I."

"SING-cerely," Bro. Lloyd, Prov. 3: 5 & 6

**May 5<sup>th</sup> the Combined Senior Adult Choirs of Pleasant Ridge and FHBC**

will sing during the Evening Service. Please plan to worship with Pleasant Ridge and support our Senior Adults on this night. Call the Church Office if you need to ride the van on this night.

**SENIOR SPOT LIGHT**

Vicki Haynes 6008 Gwin Circle Bess., AL 35023	Ellene Ryan Golden Living Center 2500 Riverhaven Dr Rm. 7 East Wing B'ham, AL 35244
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**DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER**

**Praying Across Alabama**

**60 Day Prayer & Devotion**

February 24 through April 27, 2013

**May 5<sup>th</sup>** – Senior Adult Combined Choirs will sing in the Evening service at Pleasant Ridge, we will worship with them on that night

**May 7<sup>th</sup>**- WMU meets at 10 am

**May 12<sup>th</sup>** – Mother's Day

**May 14<sup>th</sup>** – Brotherhood Breakfast

8 am at Cracker Barrel

**May 14<sup>th</sup>** - Ann Latty Sunday School Class Meets at 11:30

**HARRY'S HEARTBEAT**- I like this. What is the sweetest thing you can think of? Your favorite kind of ice cream? Your favorite candy? Or maybe a rich chocolate cake?

In the time before there was refined sugar, honey was the sweetest taste people ever enjoyed. So when the psalmist was looking for an example that would describe how good the Word of God is, he reached for the best example of sweetness that people knew at that time: honey. Ps. 119:103

He was saying that the Word of God tastes like the sweetest thing he had ever tasted.

The Bible is not supposed to be drudgery you force-feed yourself because you know it's good for you (maybe like an apple). God intends for His Word to be an invigorating taste sensation, a treat. But we so easily turn what he has given as a delightful gift into a guilt-inducing demon.

If you find that the Word of God often seems tasteless or unenjoyable, perhaps you want to ask God to give your spiritual sweet tooth. He can give you that desire - and He can fulfill it. Sometimes I have to decide - is it just simply my daily Bible reading or a true love for God's love?

I love you, Harry