



Ed Cruce, Pastor
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DEACON ON CALL
Don Davidson
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SECURITY PATROL
AM-Jimmy Gilmore and
Bob Key
PM -Johnny Handley

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Attendance November 16, 2014

Regular Attendance	78
Mission School	30
Shut Ins	26
Total	134

Regular Offering	\$2258.00
Sav-A-Life	\$100.00
Total	\$2358.00

SENIOR SPOT LIGHT

Lorene Adkins

5841 Southwood Parkway
 Bessemer, AL 35022

Jessie Walton

2625 Laurel Oak Drive
 Bessemer, AL 35022

A donation of \$100.00
 was given to Sav-A-Life
 in Memory of
 Lloyd Jones

*Our Sympathy to
 Kathleen Lester in the passing of
 her brother, D.L. Esary*

Church Phone Number 205-780-6621

Bro. Ed's Epistle "...always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father;" Ephesians 5:20

As Thanksgiving Day approaches, many are focused on our traditions of family and country. However, Paul reminds us that giving thanks is not a seasonal activity, but a continuing responsibility. Not only are we commanded to give thanks always, but to give thanks for all things. That seems to be impossible. But for the Christian who is filled with the Spirit, it is normal. We know that our lives and future are in God's hands. Therefore we can respond to every event with a thankful heart.

It is easy for me to be thankful for you. You are a loving church to our family, and you receive everyone who comes with grace and love. I look forward to worship and fellowship with you each week.



Tuesday, November 25th 6:30pm

*Please make plans to attend the Community Thanksgiving Service at
 Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church*



Sunday, December 7th at 6:00pm

*The combined choirs of Fairfield Highlands and
 Pleasant Ridge will perform at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church.*

HARRY'S HEARTBEAT -

There is something sad about a dead garden. Remembering all the work that went into it. The same ground that produced that long awaited first ripe tomato and other delicious vegetables that we enjoyed and canned now lays barren except for the weeds and grass now ready to be tilled under to rot until next year. A pessimist would be negative every time he looked at it, but an optimist looks forward to the future, the coming of fall and cool weather.

Fall is one of my favorite times of the year. It's God's time for nature to make a complete turn around. The beautiful greenery of spring and summer slowly changes into a beautiful floral display of many colors that even the eloquent artist Thomas Kincade cannot match.

To the so called atheist, God's word in Acts 14:16-17 says: you have nature for a witness. "Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness."

No Excuses! See you Wednesday and Sunday!

I love you, Harry