Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church

# MESSENGER

Volume 6 Edition 46 November 12, 2015

Attendance November 8, 2015	
Regular Attendance	62
Mission School	25
Shut Ins	24
Total	111
Regular Offering	\$6913.92
Utility Refund	39.78
Memory Harry Sims	450.00
Memory Carnes Steely	70.00
Operation Christmas Child	\$100.00
Total	7623.70

#### **In Memory of Carnes Steely**

\$70.00 was given to the church

### **In Memory of Harry Sims**

\$100.00 was given to the church

\$50.00 was given to the church from Karen & Mark Allen

\$50.00 was given to the church from Mr. & Mrs. Mike Edwards

\$50.00 was given to the church From Ginny & Amos Elam

\$50.00 was given to Bread from Heaven from Barbara and Bill Howton

\$50.00 was given to the church from Rocco J. Leo

\$50.00 was given to the church From Barbara & Earl Robins

----\$100.00 was given to the church from Othell Sullivan

## Community Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday Nov. 24th 6:30 PM
Hosted by: Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church
(No Wednesday Night Service this week)

Church Phone Number 205-780-6621
Fairfield Highlands Baptist Church
910 9<sup>th</sup> Street
Midfield, AL 35228



## Ed Cruce, Pastor Eddie Hill, Music Director

DEACON ON CALL Ken Barclay 744-3096 SECURITY PATROL

AM – Bob Key

PM - Charles Marlow

Bro. Ed's Epistle "Greater love has no man than this, that one lay down

his life for his friends." John 15:13

Jesus made that statement in the context of His new commandment that we love one another as He loves us. It is an admonition that we should be willing to lay down our lives for one another. Many followers of Jesus have been called on to do that as persecution has increased throughout history. I hope each of us is willing to give our lives for one another.

What Jesus said about believers is remarkable. Equally remarkable is the fact that men and women who serve in our military are willing to die for us. Even though our service people do not know us personally, they are still willing to sacrifice themselves in our behalf. As we celebrate Veteran's Day this week, we will honor those who have served and were not called on to make the ultimate sacrifice. But we should remember that each one was willing to do so. I encourage you to honor our veterans all the time, but especially this week. Find a veteran and express your thanks for his or her service. If you are a veteran, "Thank You!" You have our eternal gratitude for your selfless service to your country.

I love each of you and look forward to worship and fellowship with you this week.

Our Sympathy and Prayers go out to Mary Helen Caudle and family in the loss of her son, Terry Sandlin Senior Spotlight Louise Patterson

3517 Lorna Road Apt 2 Hoover, AL 35216

**Mary Helen Caudle** 

Mt. Royal Towers 300 Royal Towers Drive Room 336 Homewood, AL 35209

★★★★★★★ Thank You to all of our Veterans ★★★★★★

The next few weeks, we will be printing a few articles that Bro. Harry wrote in the past, in his memory.

## Harry's Heartbeat

I have an extra large ball of string. I used it primarily to tie up my pole beans. However, it has been available for many other uses. The string feeds out of the middle of the ball. I have been using the same ball for 4 or 5 years and every time I need a piece it is always available. Of course, I know that there is an end coming someday. The other day as I went to store the ball until I need it again, the thought came to me that this ball of string could represent God's Grace. Every time for 89 years that I needed God's Grace, it was just a prayer away. Just think . . . every time you were going through that dark valley in your life all you had to do was draw out enough string (Grace) to get you through that valley, leaving enough for your next need. As I said, eventually, I will come to the end of my ball of string. However, unlike the ball. God's Grace will never run out for His Children. It has always been available in the past; it is available today and will be available as long as I need it. Just a prayer away. There are 139 references to God's Grace in the King James translation of God's Word. The one that I turn to the most is found in Cor. 12:9. Jesus speaking to Paul in regard to his thorn in the flesh says this. "My grace is sufficient for thee ... " Ain't God Good? I love you, Harry