

**Those Who Are To Serve
Sunday, January 6, 2008
10:00 A.M.**

Announcements **John McCadams**
Prayer **Randy Hysmith**
Lord's Table **(H) Randall Renfroe, Allen Verell**
(S) Eric Forsythe, Jeremy Manchester, Johnny Verell
Mark Volner, Horace Wamble, Leon Cupples

Please meet in the training room immediately after Bible study.
Closing Prayer.....**John Armstrong**
Alternates: Roger Swaim, Mike Welch
(If unable to serve, call **Glynn Carden, 664-5843.**)

6:00 P.M.

Announcements:.....**Randy Hysmith**
Read Scripture.....**Isaac Barrantes**
Please use one of the following translations: King James, New King
James, American Standard, or New American Standard

Prayer.....**Ron Lents**
Lord's Table.....**(H) Gary Grisham, Don Holmes**
Closing Prayer.....**Herman Smith**
(If unable to serve, call **Glynn Carden, 664-5843.**)

Nursery Attendants

10:00 A.M.....**Amber Carwile, Paula Johnston**
Andrea McCadams, Mikall Norris
6:00 P.M.....**Amy Anderson, Cindy Blackwell**
(If unable to serve, call **Tisha Ewing, (731)783-1893.**)

Wednesday, January 9, 2008

Take up cards:.....**John Brown, Jerry Yarbrough, Chairmen**
Closing Prayer.....**Randy White**
Announcements.....**John McCadams**
(If unable to serve, call **Glynn Carden, 664-5843.**)

Ushers for January

10:00A.M.....**Will Malone, Richard McKnight**
Chris Ramey, James Skelton
6:00 P.M.....**Will Malone, Richard McKnight**
Chris Ramey, James Skelton

(If unable to serve, call **John Brown, 803-2823 or Jerry Yarbrough, 422-5388.**)

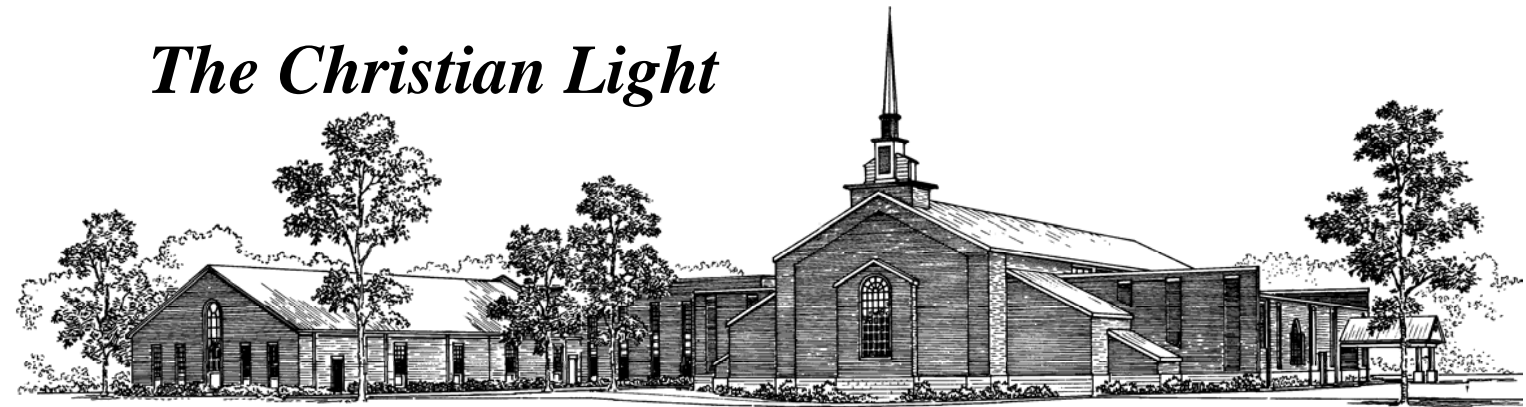
Bus Driver for January - Daniel Arnold - 668-8573

Prepare Communion/Open & Close Building for January - Group 1

NOTICE: *The Elders request that those leading in the worship, please wear a coat and tie. Your understanding and cooperation is deeply appreciated.*

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North Jackson Church of Christ, Jackson, Tennessee

A Message For The New Year

2008 is here! The old year is behind us. It is the hope of the elders and the staff of the North Jackson Church of Christ that God will richly bless every family in the body in the new year.

Last year was a year of many changes for us. It was a year of both joys and sorrows. We rejoiced with several of our families at the birth of sons and daughters, and we grieved with others who lost members of their families to death—individuals we had known and loved for many years. In 2007 we rejoiced that some were added to our church family. We are a better church going into 2008 for these additions.

We have seen some good things and some bad things. But all in all, the good outweighed the bad. I think especially of those whose lives are on the mend because of better choices that have been made. A lot of great things were accomplished in 2007. Yes, much has changed in our lives and in the makeup of this congregation since January 1, 2007. Undoubtedly, 2008 will bring similar changes.

As this new year begins, I want to challenge each member of our church family to examine his or her life to see if some changes need to be made regarding our commitments to the Lord. We need to commit ourselves to being the best spiritually we can be. This is an exciting time to begin a commitment to personal Bible study, faithful attendance, seeking the lost, and general participation in the vitality of this congregation. It is a time to make changes in your prayer life. In the next few weeks we will be announcing information about our *Share The Word* campaign, missions opportunities, and our spring gospel meeting. 2008 is going to be a great year (an unusually great year) for the church at North Jackson. May we count on you? May we count on YOU being the best you can be in the Lord? This is my new year's blessing for each of you: *"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace"* (Numbers 6:24-26)

Thank you for the wonderful friendships that have been mine to enjoy in 2007. It is hard to imagine that my family and I did not know the warmth of your Christian love a year and a half ago. Our lives are richer for being here among you. 2008 is sure to be a great year!

Brian Giselbach

Elders:
Doug Hays
Randy Hysmith
Gary Martin
Paul Norris
Mitchell Spain
Allen Verell
John Verell

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John Armstrong
David Beach
James Boone
Ken Brodel
Glynn Carden
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Scott Dahlstrom
Al Earls
Danny Ellis
Jon Ewing
David Forbis
Jimmy Johnson
Lee Johnson
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Hermenegildo Mediana-Peru
Jose Alvarez & Cristian Cruz-Santiago, Dominican Rep.
Sergey Saenko-Ukraine
Patrick Wellcome-Guyana
Mike Jacobs-Capetown S.A.

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 A.M.
Sunday Worship.....10:00 A.M./6:00 P.M.
Sunday Hispanic Worship.....2:30 P.M.
Wednesday Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.
Wednesday Hispanic Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.
Wednesday Ladies Class.....10:30 A.M.
(September – May)

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FROM REED'S DESK . . .

I remember the first time I earned an "F" on my report card. The fear and dread I had for going home that day, the sick feeling that had taken over my stomach, and the knowledge of what would happen when my Dad found out. All three of these played a large role in my poor performance at practice that day. I remember it vividly - it was a cold day - Dad picked me up after practice - and we drove home with the all too familiar questions . . . How was school? Fine . . . How was practice? Fine. . . We drove in silence until he asked me . . . Something on your mind?" - the words I had been dreading. Soon the yelling would start and the lecture would follow close behind. I finally mustered up the courage and told the truth. Now I waited for it. The all too familiar sound of my father's voice getting on to me, telling me how disappointed he was. As he shifted the car into park and as we sat there in our continued silence, my father said something that I wasn't expecting, six words that I'll never forget. "Son, did you do your best?" With a tear in my eye I looked up at him and said, "yes, sir." "Well then, that's all I can ask . . ." Mark 14:8-9 - *"She has done what she could; she has anointed My body for burial. Truly I say to you, wherever the gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will be spoken of in memory of her."*

Have you done what you could? Are you doing what you can? As this New Year is now upon us, let us strive to "do what we can" in our lives each day for Christ.

January 18th-19th - Evangelism University - Cost \$30
Sign up and pay *by the 13th*.

February 15th-18th - Uplift - Cost \$110 - Jr. & Sr. High
Open slots for the first 25 to pay.

ICU SNACKS Pop tarts

PANTRY INFORMATION

Each week our bulletin includes a listing of a non-perishable food item. A box is located in the connecting stairwell where these items are collected. Pantry workers take the items to the kitchen where expiration dates are checked and pre-printed labels placed on each donation. These labels have our church's name along with the month and year the food item goes into the pantry.

When needs arise the church office contacts one of the men on the benevolence committee. These men rotate meeting with people who need assistance. Many families receive aid because the North Jackson congregation cares enough to keep the pantry shelves stocked. We sincerely appreciate your assistance in this effort.

Pantry item for this week: peanut butter
Pantry committee for January 1 - 15:
Bonnie Wamble, Elsie Huffard

WELCOME BACK!

Dee Powell, mother of David Powell, has retired and is now living back in Jackson. She wishes to be identified as a member again at North Jackson. Dee's address is 120 Woodhaven Drive (01), phone 664-9100. We are so happy to have her back with us!

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Eric & Angi Forsythe
New phone # - 394-0627

Johnnie Jones
New address & phone:
256 Ridgecrest (05)
Phone: 423-2940

Brooke Bell
(granddaughter of Tom & Mary Ann Phillips - she will be attending school at MTSU)
New address:
Northfield Commons, Apt. J-1
Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130

BRIDAL SHOWER

All ladies of the congregation are invited to a "come-and-go" bridal shower honoring **Elizabeth Keithline** on Sunday, January 6, from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Her selections are at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

JANUARY BIRTHDAY
Melanie Rhodes - January 17

NORTHBROOKE DEVOTIONAL

Our monthly devotional at Northbrooke will be Sunday, January 6, at 4:30 p.m. and will be conducted by the Tweens.

WOMEN EDIFYING WOMEN

Women Edifying Women will meet on Monday, January 14, 7:00 p.m. at the home of **April Richey**, 34 Denwood Drive (directions will be posted). The new book study is entitled "Time Management for the Christian Woman".

MEN'S BUSINESS MEETING

The men's business meeting will be Sunday, January 20, at 1:30 p.m. Deacons are reminded of their meeting and reports immediately following the men's business meeting.

WHERE HAVE ALL THE YOUNG PEOPLE GONE?
(What happens to our young people once they graduate high school and leave home?)

Speaker: Dr. Flavil Yeakley
Presented by Freed-Hardeman University
Saturday, January 19, 2008
9:00 a.m. @ Loyd Auditorium
Everyone is invited to attend.

OUR SICK

JACKSON GENERAL: Christy Crabtree, room 667
WEST TN. TRANS. CARE: Rhoda Green, room 103
NORTHBROOKE HEALTH CARE: Edith Weir, room 401
GERMANTOWN REHAB: Betty Frost, room 212, mother of Pam Holmes
REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Maxine Avery; Sybil Birdwell; Pauline Boles; Bonnie Bryant; Blake Carden (will undergo outpatient surgery on Friday, 1/4); Martha Carroll; Patsy Davenport; Bill Dudley, husband of Ruby; Austin Fraser; Matt Hopper (scheduled for knee surgery on Tuesday, January 8); Johnnie Jones; Bettye Kennon; Janey Marshall; Gene Jones, father of Todd Jones; Martha Joyner, mother of Dorothy Johnson; Ruth People, sister of Doris Davis; Barbara Haley, sister of Dorothy Johnson; Ruby Robison, aunt of Bonnie Wamble; Robert Plaxico, father-in-law of Margaret Ballard; Don Eakins



FROM THE MAILBOX . . .

To the ladies at North Jackson church of Christ,

I have no words to express how thankful I am for your great and warm welcome you have given to me. You all are a great example of Christian women. I pray to God that you will keep being a light to this world and that you will be blessed and bless others with your light. I'm so happy to be a member of North Jackson church of Christ, and to be part of this great Christian family. God bless you!

In Christian love,
Elisabet Leon

Dear North Jackson,

We wish to thank all of the boys and girls of the North Jackson church of Christ for their wonderful effort in removing the leaves from our yard. As we cannot do this ourselves, we really appreciate the work these young people did in cleaning our yard. With youth like this, the church has a bright future! Thanks.
Bob & Mildred McCarty

Dear North Jackson Friends,

Just wanted to let you know how much I appreciate your calls, cards, and concern for my latest medical problem and my move down here. This is the first time in my life that I've had a home outside Tennessee. A special "thanks" for James & Anne Boone and Randy & Denise White. My last years in Jackson when I needed help, I could depend on James and Randy; also for Edna and Paulette, for all the time and work they did so we could enjoy the Golden Lunch Bunch. I enjoyed it so much during the years. There are so many dear people that were there for me - The Branches, the Woody's, the Comptons, and Victor Sullivan as a "dear friend" as well as an elder. Don Gardner, who baptized me when we were on Highland. Also, my children, Janet and Steve, were baptized when they were teenagers. North Jackson is the only congregation I've ever been a member of, and I'll be a member until I die. We are so blessed with the leaders we now have. Please continue to remember me in your prayers.

In Christian love,
Martha Carroll

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

I want to thank you all who visited me before and after my operation and for the prayers, cards, kind words, and thoughts, for helping me get back to the ER afterwards and to the pharmacy and back home. Thank you so much. I have been blessed more than I deserve.

Harold & Virginia Mayfield

Attendance - Sunday, December 30, 2007

Sunday Bible Study.....	464
Sunday A.M. Worship.....	601
Sunday P.M. Worship.....	391
Wednesday P.M. (Dec. 26).....	385

SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Steve & Emily Crabtree** in the death of their son-in-law, Jacob Hertzka, on January 1 in Hendersonville, Tennessee. At this writing arrangements are incomplete.

Our sympathy is expressed to **Diane Brewer** in the death of her brother, John Gay. Funeral services were held on Thursday, December 27, in Toledo, Ohio.

Grace Fesmire's brother, Neal Usery, of Lexington, Tennessee passed away recently in Memphis. Funeral services were on December 24th.

O. D. McKendree, grandfather of **Rachel Roberts**, recently passed away. Funeral services were held in Kentucky.

We express our sympathy to **Horace Wamble** in the death of his nephew, Ronnie Little. Funeral services were on December 31 in Henderson, Tennessee.

Please continue to remember all of these and their families in your prayers.

SANDWICH CLUB

Dinner and Movie
Hosted by **David & Cathy Powell**
(This is for adults only.)
Friday, January 11
6:00 p.m. @ Logan's Restaurant
Following dinner you will return to the Powells for a movie and dessert.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Please continue to remember **Mark, Lisa and Luke Castleberry** who left Wednesday, January 2, for a mission trip to Jamaica. They are scheduled to return on January 10.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to **Jeimy Barrantes**, daughter of Rafael & Kattia, who has been accepted to Vanderbilt School of Nursing.

YOUNG MOM'S BIBLE CLASS

Tuesday, January 8 - 9:30 a.m.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Tuesday, January 8 - 9:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS

January 9 - 10:30 a.m.

GOLDEN LUNCH BUNCH

Saturday, January 19 @ 12 noon
Hosted by Group # 3