# The Livingston Lamplighter

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# Ho-Hum, Let's Worship

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One of the sad realities about Christian worship is the sheer boredom some people experience on a weekly basis. I've heard of people counting the number of bricks in the wall, the number of tiles in the ceiling, finding the longest or shortest songs in the song book...just about anything to stay awake. I've even seen a book entitled, "101 Exciting Things To Do During A Dull Sermon". I'll admit, some of the things in the book made me chuckle, but when I reflect on that little book, it's like the old saying, "If it weren't so funny, it would be sad".

Friends, remember that worship is a verb. It is not something you attend, but something in which you participate. Maybe if we would change our perspective of worship and realize that God is the audience and that we are supposed to be the participants, we wouldn't find ourselves so easily bored.

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father is spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth. John 4: 23-24

"It is the pleasing of God that is at the heart of worship."-R. C. Sproul

# Elders

Dale Flatt 823-5477 Philip Gunter 823-6717

#### **Deacons**

 Dale Mabry
 823-7177

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Jon Ledbetter 931-214-2121

## Radio Broadcasts WLIV 920 AM or wlivradio.com

Sunday: Worship service 10:00 a.m. Thursday: Sowing the Seed 8:15 a.m.

#### Church Office

Monday-Friday (9:00-1:00)

# **Works Supported**

Latin American Missions Happy Haven Children's Home Florida School of Preaching Joey Treat—South Pacific Islands

# Weekly Record:

Sunday School 89
Worship 144
PM Worship 62
Wed Bible Study 71
Contribution \$3674

Welcome Visitors! Please fill out a visitor's card for our record of your visit.

# <u>Family and Friends-Prayers</u> Nursing Homes

#### **OCNH**

George Cannon—Doug Cannon's brother Linda Hagood-Requests visits, room 262

# Shut-In

Geraldine Cannon Ina Poston
Doretha Flowers Winnie Worley
Marie Pryor Terry Neal

**Bobbie Sells** 

Remember the spouses/caregivers of our shutin and let them know we remember them also.

# DAILY BIBLE READERS WEEK OF March 24

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**Birthday-**Happy early birthday to Baker James Hutchison who will be arriving Thurs., April 11 via c-section. Remember them in your prayers along with the doctors and nurses who will be caring for mom and Baby Baker.

**Thank you-**A card was received from Margie, Michael and Stephen Robbins thanking everyone for everything done for them during Delon's sickness and passing-the food, cards and especially the prayers.

# **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

# April

8-Ralph and Jogenna McDonald

10-Vicki White

11-Baker Hutchison (scheduled!)

12-Glenda Cantrell

12-Jane Parrott

12-Mary Helen Apple

12-Leigh Smith

13-Deloris Burris

#### We Continue to Remember ...

(Names in Bold print are Livingston members)
Leon & Reba Flatt, Leigh Smith, Allan Terry,
Marlene Colbert, Earl Carr, Kay Thomas, Evelyn
Brown, Trisha Wilson, Linda Mahaney, Diana
Webb, Barbara Carwile, Jewel Turner, Dale
Flatt, Geraldine Cannon, Mary Helen Apple

Vivian Walker, Ray & Bea Taylor, Randall (Bear) Mathis, Addie Underhill, Bobby Coley, Glen Williams, Betty Southerland, Bobby Smith, Glenard Hogue, Riley Boles, Scott Bilbrey, Mandy Lay, Rita Hargis, Joyce Ramsey, Ed Meadows, Bobby Dale, Leann Duke, Ralph Sells, Gail Duke, Phyllis Duke, Gary Walker, Kathy Sullivan, Cindy Martin, Rose Collins, Dallas Sullivan, Jonathan Fisher, Sarah Thornburg, Jean Keller, Scott Mullins, Shirley Key, John Smith, Jr., Denise Gross, Chris Ashlock, Shawn Moffitt, Clint Cannon, Rhuveda Cross, Bob Roberson, Edie Williams, Mary Garrett, Linda Sells, Rita Martin, Logan Hargis, Ben Walker, Krystal Rose, Thelma Gore

# **Prayer Requests**

Remember Rusty Robbins as he will undergo neck surgery Thurs., Apr. 11th.

Barbara Carwile's surgery is scheduled for Monday, Apr. 14th at Nashville.



# Week of April 7, 2019

### **SUNDAY:**

**Bible School:** 

Song Director: Joel Upton Phil Gunter First Prayer:

A.M. Worship:

Song Director: Joel Upton First Prayer: Carl Masters

**Scripture Reading:** Doug Cannon

**Lord's Supper**: Presiding: Henry Colbert

Phil Gunter Josh Cantrell Serve Mike Sidwell Johnny Jenkins Gary Worley Jerry Lancaster Johnny Rose Ray Masters

(Please meet in the library before service begins)

**Doug Riggins Announcements:** 

Dismissal Prayer: Bernie Winningham

**Count Contribution:** Robert England

> Gary Hogue Virgil Willis

**Communion Ware:** Juanita Johnson

Angie Krantz

**Bus Driver:** Connie Brown

P.M. Worship:

Joel Upton Song Director: First Prayer: Josh Cantrell Read Scripture Will Brown Lord's Supper: David Webb Dismissal Prayer: Clay McDonald

WEDNESDAY

Joel Upton Song Director: Gary Hogue First Prayer: Jerry Lancaster Dismissal Prayer:

**GREETERS-**David and Diana Webb

(Please give all visitors a Visitor's Packet)

**BUILDING LOCK-UP** Jason Brown

Jerry Lancaster

SUNDAY SERVICES
Bible School 9:00 am
Worship 10:00 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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# **APRIL CALENDAR**

7—Elders-Deacons-Preacher meeting

13—Our Ladies Day

14—Services at OCNH at 1:30

20—Egg hunt 3 p.m. @ Ralph and Jogenna's

28—Fourth Sunday Singing—*HERE* 

28—Gospel Meeting Burristown church of Christ thru May 1. Speaker-Jon Ledbetter

Ladies' Day-Don't forget our Ladies' Day this Sat., Apr. 13th. Registration begins at 9 a.m.

### **UPCOMING GOSPEL MEETINGS**

**Zion**, Apr. 7th-11th with Keith Parker at 7 p.m. Monterey, Apr. 14th-17th with Ben Smith and Jack Honeycutt, 7 p.m. nightly. Smyrna, Apr. 21st-24th with Arnold Kelly of Laurel Mississippi, 7 p.m. nightly.

Flyers are Posted

Willow Avenue-Friends and Family Day, Apr. 14th with David Shannon. Flyer posted.

**VBS-**Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 9th-13th, only 2 1/2 months away. All who want to help, please meet up front after services Sun., the 7th.

Life Line Screening-If you are interested in any of the tests offered by Life Line Screening, remember they will be using the Windham Bldg., Mon., Apr. 22. Info is located in the foyer. You must preregister and I still have some discount coupons.





# **Pantry Items Needed-**

Canned ham. Tea. Pancake Mix. Cream style corn. Any nonperishable, OR give money to Brent and Sada.

**Absent-**A list of those absent at Sunday worship is on the table in the foyer. Remember to check on them and let them know they are missed.

Wednesday Night Meals-Don't forget 5:30 p.m. before Bible study.

Ladies Class-Ladies Bible class each Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the library.

Help at Home-The third Saturday of each month for any member who needs it.

Wednesday Night Invitation-Any of our men who wish to offer the invitation after Wednesday evening Bible study, please sign up to do so.

Jon's sermons can now be heard on our Website: churchlivingston.com.

