

# The Livingston Lamplighter

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## Striking Matches

By Steve Higginbotham

Several years ago, I head a gospel preacher (now deceased) tell of an incident that occurred early in his life. He was a young preacher, still in college and working for a congregation. He was full of ideas. He was full of zeal and enthusiasm. And his zeal was evident to all. So much so, that one day, one of his elders came to him and said, "Son, you need to slow down. Don't you know you can't set the world on fire all by yourself?"

To which this young preacher replied, "You may be right. I may not be able to set the world on fire all by myself, but when the Lord returns, may he find me striking matches!"

What a thought! What a response! Can it be improved upon? Friends, if the Lord returned tomorrow, would he find you striking matches?

Give it some thought.



### Elders

Dale Flatt 823-5477  
Philip Gunter 823-6717

### Deacons

Dale Mabry 823-7177  
Buckie Parsons 498-2266  
Jason Brown 823-0823  
Ralph McDonald 823-4107

### Treasurer

Rusty Robbins 823-2764

### Minister

Jon Ledbetter  
931-214-2121

### Radio Broadcasts WLIV 920 AM or wlvradio.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	83
Worship	139
PM Worship	87
Wed Bible Study	64
Contribution	\$2742

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

### **Family and Friends—Prayers**

Rob Medley, Deloris's son-in-law and Jon's brother-in-law, was injured in an accident and requests prayers on his behalf.

### **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	Delon Robbins

Remember the spouses/caregivers of our shut-in and let them know we remember them also.

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**Thank-you-**Cards have been received from the family of Mary (Peanut) Gray for the calls, visits, prayers and the meal.  
Margie and Delon send their thanks also for the soup, bread and dessert and also all the prayers, cards and visits.  
(All our shut-ins are dearly missed in the assembly along with their caregivers. Please know we love you very much!)

### **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

#### **December**

6-Rusty Robbins  
9-Carol Hogue  
12-Carl Masters  
15-Tony and Angie Krantz  
16-Dale Flatt  
16-Rose McDonald  
16-Michael Sidwell

### **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, Jan Chaffin, Linda Mahaney, Diana Webb, Barbara Carwile**

Vivian Walker, Jacki Presley, Ray & Bea Taylor, Randall (Bear) Mathis, Addie Underhill, Bobby Coley, Glen Williams, Betty Southerland, Bobby Smith, Glenard Hogue, Riley Boles, Scott Bilbrey, Joyce Sidwell, Mandy Lay, Rita Hargis, Barnie McDonald, Barbara Stevens, Joyce Ramsey, Ed Meadows, Bobby Dale, Gary Winningham, Bruce Gore, Leann Duke, Ralph Sells, Gail Duke, Phyllis Duke, Gary Walker, Steve Wilkerson, Frankie Beason, Kathy Sullivan, Cindy Martin, Rose Collins, Dallas Sullivan, Gene Boles, Jonathan Fisher, Sarah Thornburg, Martha Reeder, Jean Keller, Scott Mullins, Simon Norris, Jeff Stover, Shirley Key, Roxanne Kline, John Smith, Jr., Denise Gross, Chris Ashlock, Shawn Moffitt, Donna Beason, Clint Cannon, Peggy Garrett, Hattie Booher, Rhuveda Cross, Cindy Sullivan, Rob Medley

### **Prayer Requests**

Rusty Robbins is anticipating more neck surgery next month at Vanderbilt.

Diana Webb has back surgery scheduled in January at Vanderbilt.

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*For judgment is without mercy to the one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.* James 2:13



**Week of December 9, 2018**

**SUNDAY:**

**Bible School:**  
Song Director: Daniel Flatt  
First Prayer: Phil Gunter

**A.M. Worship:**  
Song Director: Daniel Flatt  
First Prayer: Henry Colbert

Lord's Supper:  
Presiding: Gary Hogue

Serve Phil Gunter Josh Cantrell  
Gary Worley Charles Anderson  
Mike Sidwell Jerry Lancaster  
Clay McDonald Jayse Copeland  
(Please meet in the library before service begins)

Announcements: Doug Riggins

Dismissal Prayer: Charles Anderson

Count Contribution: Jason Brown  
Jerry Lancaster

Communion Ware: Janie Byers  
Betty S. Smith

Bus Driver: Dale Flatt

**P.M. Worship:**  
Song Director: Daniel Flatt  
First Prayer: Doug Riggins  
Read Scripture Ralph McDonald  
Lord's Supper: Henry Colbert  
Dismissal Prayer: Will Brown

**WEDNESDAY**

Song Director: Daniel Flatt  
First Prayer: Earl Carwile  
Dismissal Prayer: Jerry Lancaster

**GREETERS-** Charles and Lynda Anderson  
(Please give all visitors a Visitor's Packet)

**BUILDING LOCK-UP** Dale Mabry  
Mike Sidwell

**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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**DECEMBER CALENDAR**

- 2-Winter Soup Kitchen
- 6-Ladies Christmas Jewelry Swap 6 p.m.
- 8-Ornament Exchange for Christmas 6 p.m.
- 9-Nursing Home Service TODAY at 1:30**
- 9-Elders/Deacons/Preacher Meeting 4 p.m.
- 30-Sunday evening Singing/Challenge Service
- 31-New Year's Eve gathering

**Sheriff's Annual Toy Drive**-Boxes are in the foyer for toy donations. They will be picked up Wed., Dec. 12th.

**Shampoo-Lotion-Body Wash**-For the nursing home residents. We will need these in by Dec. 16th to deliver on Dec. 17th. Staff at the nursing home are very appreciative for these items.

**Wednesday Night Invitation**-Jon has a sign-up sheet in the foyer for any of the men who would like to offer the invitation at the close of Bible study on Wednesday nights.

**CYC-Challenge Youth Conference 2019**, Feb. 22-24. If you want to go and need a room, a sign-up sheet is posted. See Jason for info.

**Pantry**-During the winter months, there is a greater need for our pantry. Please help by donating nonperishable food items, detergent, soap, deodorant, tooth paste, etc. Brent and Sada devote a lot of time to this work and do a fantastic job and we thank them so much. To make it even easier, they even do the buying of what is needed if you had rather donate money to them for the pantry. At any rate, thanks to everyone who supports this work here at Livingston!

**Memory Verses for December**

**Galatians 3:23-25**    **Hebrews 3:23-25**  
**Hebrews 8:13**        **Romans 15:4**

**Pantry Items Needed**-Tooth brushes.  
Cooking oil.  
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.

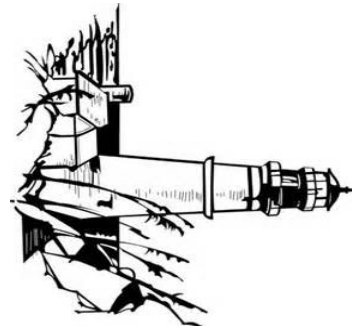
**Wednesday Night Meals**-Don't forget 5:30 p.m. before Bible study.

**Sowing The Seed**-Program on WLIV radio at 8:15 a.m. Jon can be heard on Thursdays.

**Ladies Class**-Each Wednesday at 10 a.m., meeting in the library.

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

**Winter Soup Kitchen**-Always the first Sunday of each month.



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