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## NEW ALBANY CHURCH OF CHRIST

### 2014 FALL LECTURESHIP

Wednesday - September 17th

Speaker:

*TED BURLESON*

Hamilton Church of Christ, Hamilton, AL



Ted was born in Haleyville, AL and reared near Hamilton. He is married to Karen Semore Burleson originally of Centerville, TN. Their son Doug is on the Bible faculty at Freed-Hardeman and is married to Kristi Johnson Burleson, a nurse practitioner, and they have one daughter and two sons. Their son David is a case manager for Youth Villages in Dyersburg, TN and is married to Emily Reeves Burleson.

He graduated from Hamilton High School and holds an A.A. Degree from Freed-Hardeman, B.A. in Arts from Lipscomb, Master of Ministry from FHU, Master of Divinity from Lipscomb, and a Doctor of Ministry from Harding Graduate School of Religion.

Our speaker has served congregations at Totty's Bend in Hickman County, TN as Youth and Pulpit; Deerfield Church of Christ in Lawrenceburg, TN as Pulpit and Education; Old Hickory Church of Christ in Old Hickory, TN in Youth, Education, and Outreach; West Seventh Street Church of Christ in Columbia, TN in Pulpit and Counseling; Sixth Avenue Church of Christ in Jasper, AL in Pulpit, Counseling, Radio, and Television; Hamilton Church of Christ as Pulpit minister since 2006.

Numerous other assignments have utilized Ted's many talents through the years. He has served as FHU Advisory Board member, Faculty member for Heritage Christian University, Adjunct faculty member for Ambridge University (Southern Christian Univ.), Co-Director for Maywood Christian Camp, Board of Directors of Maury (TN) Christian Camp, Past Chairman of FHU Advisory Board, Adjunct Bible faculty member FHU, Named Teacher of the Year four different years at Heritage Christian University, Board of Directors, Indian Creek Youth Camp (Walker Co. AL), and authored a book entitled *Marriage and the Christian Home* (Riddle Creek Publishing Co.).

We are pleased to have a man of the caliber of Ted Burleson to be a part of our Fall Lectureship this year. I have been familiar with members of Ted's extended family who were preachers of the gospel and servants of the Lord through the years. He has associated himself with good congregations, Christian schools, and Bible camps during his ministry. He will have something special to offer to each one of us.

## A CONGREGATION OF ADDICTS

There was a family in Corinth that is mentioned in First Corinthians that is of particular note. It is the household of Stephanas. Paul taught and baptized this great family. What a blessing they became! They were wonderful helpers to the apostle. Stephanas supplied a service when it was needed most. (1 Corinthians 1:16; 16:17)

This man and his family were so zealous for the Lord and so close to the Master that it was said of them that they addicted themselves to the ministry (1 Corinthians 16:15). Addicted? What a wonderful term to describe their love and service to Christ.

As I considered this statement, I thought about the great work being done by Christians who are addicted to the work of the church. Let us get into the work of the church where we are with all our hearts, so that folks, seeing our good works, can say that we are a congregation of addicts addicted to the Word and work of the Lord Jesus Christ. ~ John Wright

## BIBLE VERSE TO REMEMBER

*“Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer each one.” Col. 4:6*



## A SERVANT OF THE CHURCH

The strength of any congregation is the “servant” mindset of its members. The greater the “servant” attitude, the greater the good to be accomplished.

On the other hand, the lower the “servant” attitude, the lower the commitment will be to see the church do well and make progress in the world. Churches composed of people with a high level of “servant” loyalty will have fewer internal squabbles and more peace; fewer people asking, “What’s in it for me?” and more people asking, “How can the Lord be glorified in my life?”

Ultimately, each of us need to ask ourselves this question: “Am I truly a servant of God’s church which meets in this place? What am I doing each day to serve my brothers and sisters?”

~ David Tarbet

## Make Me A Servant

Make me a servant,  
Humble and meek,  
Lord, let me lift up  
Those who are weak.  
And may the prayer  
Of my heart always be;  
Make me a servant.  
Make me a servant,  
Make me a servant today.

## JUST 4 YOUTH FROM CODY’S DESK

At a young age children start asking “why?”. They ask “why?” about everything; no really, everything. Sometimes it is a great thing and we encourage it and answer their many questions and are proud of them for their curiosity. At other times, we are too tired to continually answer questions and we silence them. We should encourage the questions, but it can be very hard to do constantly. Eventually those questions stop, they lose their curiosity, and they start believing they know everything that they need to know. They either accept things they hear, or they do not. They do not care to ask questions and study things themselves, thus they make quick split-second decision to believe or not to believe something. That should not be the way they live life. They should ask questions, have conversations with people, bug the people who know more than them, and study for themselves. That is the only way they can learn. They should not take at face value everything they hear from others. They should study it for themselves, because chances are that if they evangelize the way they should, one day someone will ask a question on the very thing they are questioning now.

I am so excited for this weekend! It will be the first time I get to come back and visit since I started back to school. I wanted to give a little bit of a heads up about what the plans are for this weekend. Saturday, my hopes are for all the youth to come meet at the building at 6:00pm. We will go eat together, play some games, hang out, and be done by 10:00pm. Then Sunday night we have the monthly area wide. I’ll be driving the van to Verona. I’m extremely excited to see everyone, I hope you all have a great week!

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## PRAYER LIST



**Phares Birdwell** father of *Sheila King* was admitted to a Muscle Shoals Hospital over the weekend with pneumonia. He is expected to be released soon.

**Sandra Jones Howard**, is in the Baptist East Hospital with two aneurysms on her brain. Surgery is expected to take place Friday.

### Continue to remember:

Roger Clayton, Cathy Dye, Yolanda Stubblefield, Walker Conlee, Paul Carruth, John Popson, Nancy Petrowski, Pat Reed, Eleta Grimmett, Justin Forsyth, Judy Ward, Bobbie Nunnally, J. J. Harris, Glen Jumper, Eulene Hooper, Alicia Dukes, Hudson Grisham, Kelly Fryar, Donna & Roy Crow, Hugh Collins, Jack Dunlap, Prebble Foster, Terry & Betty Young

### Shut-Ins:

Jean Drummond, Billy Joe Garner, Tauso Branch, Claudia Senter

### Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

Grace Anderson, Charlene Coker, Mattie Golden, Laura Mae Harris, Louise Holcomb, Jennie Frohn

### Military List:

Tim Baxley, Barry Wilhite, Tiffany Erwin, Aaron Raines, Raegan Cole, Derek Bradley, Jesse Stroud



## “HOMECOMING”

### OCTOBER 5TH, 2014

Mark this date on you calendar and join us!

### I've Learned...

Each person's work is always a portrait of himself.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



September 13 ..... Grayden Dunn  
September 15.....Gloria Jones  
September 16..... Ryleigh Garrett  
September 17..... Dalton Beard

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

September 14..... Jerry & Eleta Grimmett  
September 16.....Chris & Callie Smithey  
September 17.....Steve & Lana Todd  
September 24..... Lonnie & Nicki Weaver



## IT'S A BOY



Congratulations to *Justin* and *Rebecca Dewberry* on the birth of their son **Davis Wade Dewberry**. *Davis* was born Sept. 4th at 8:53 pm and weighed 7lbs and 19 1/4 inches. He is being welcomed by big sister *Emerson*. Mom and baby are doing fine.

## SEPTEMBER HAPPENINGS

- Sept. 10th, Fall Lecture with Jason Moon; 7pm
- Sept. 14th, Area Wide Youth Meeting @ Verona
- Sept. 17th, Fall Lecture with Ted Burleson; 7pm
- Sept. 20th, Church Work Day at 8:00am
- Sept. 21st, Sr. Bible Bowl @ Antioch 
- Sept. 24th, Fall Lecture with Billy Smith; 7pm
- Sept. 27th, Jr. Bible Bowl @ Mayfield

## PINE VALE'S FALL FOOD DRIVE

Please remember the Fall Food Drive now in progress. Our congregation has been asked to help by providing; toothbrushes, light bulbs— mainly 40w and 60w and some 100w, chili seasoning, and pancake syrup. There is a container in the foyer for these items.



## WANTED!!

We would appreciate photos of former members or activities from the early 50s— today to be scanned for a homecoming day slide. Pictures will be returned to their owner. You may also email a copy.

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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Sunday School.....9:30  
Morning Worship.....10:30  
Evening Worship.....6:00  
Wednesday Bible Study....7:00

**MINISTER**

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Home..... 534-6872  
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**ELDERS**

Richard Jennings .....316-1305  
Troy Robertson .....534-3491

**DEACONS**

Greg Clayton.....252-9762  
Roger Clayton ..... 538-8195  
Brad Pounders.....316-7931  
Harold Russell..... 507-1180  
Randy Wall ..... 316-9255  
Lonnie Weaver.....801-8448

**TO SERVE**

Scripture.....Cody Clemmer  
A.M. Prayer.....Jason Jennings  
Closing Prayer.....Tyler Weaver  
P.M. Prayer .....Burrell Walton  
Closing .....J. L. Eaton  
Wed.9/17.....Greg Harrison  
Wed.9/17.....Josh George  
Usher & Lock .....Randy Wall  
Greeter.....T & N Robertson

**OUR RECORD**

Sunday School.....115  
Sunday A.M..... 139  
Sunday P.M.....111  
Wednesday.....119  
Contribution.....\$4,207.63  
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**PANTRY ITEM**  
**Instant Potatoes**

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- I** - nterest in our spiritual self and in pleasing God.
- N** - ecessary discipline and sacrifice to get the job done.
- V** - ision to see beyond present needs and concerns.
- O** - bedience to God’s spiritual requirements of us.
- L** - ove for the truth, souls, and dispensing that Word to all men.
- V** - ision to see where God can lead us and do through us.
- E** - nthusiasm for what involves God, church, & spiritual activity.
- M** - aurity to prioritize values in our lives.
- E** - ncouraging each other by example in service.
- N** - ever cease to be consistent, zealous, loyal in spiritual activity.
- T** - rust in God to bless our efforts and reward us accordingly.