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*Welcome New Members*



**Harriott, Ben**

Group 3

*Identified March 30*



## The Bride of Christ

32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ladies' Day    Thursday, April 17

The Supply Truck for the Kids  
Is Coming the Week of April 20

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CHRISTIAN HOME & BIBLE SCHOOL

"Educating for Life and Eternity"



*Pick up a list in the lobby of needed supplies.*



May 2-4

ET for Youth      DO NOT CONFORM.



By Dan Jenkins

## Lessons Learned by Singing in the Foyer

I am not exactly sure why I enjoy those fifth Sunday night singings in the foyer, but I really enjoy them. It's not just because it is different, but because I am reminded again and again of the wisdom of God in making singing part of our worship. These singings allow for so much spiritual growth when we devote ourselves to them.

**I enjoy singing in the foyer because we sing, and singing involves our souls.** Have you considered that God could have just had us to quote or read passages of Scripture? We often sing songs, like the twenty-third psalm, which are almost completely based on selected phrases from the Bible. Why would not God just have us read those passages in unison? Would it not impact us in the same way and have the same effect? No way! Take time to think of the implication of James 5:13, "Is any cheerful? Let him sing." Our emotions are tied directly to singing. One might be able to read Psalm 23 without his emotions being stirred, but somehow God made us so that singing touches our souls.

**I enjoy singing in the foyer because I can hear so many around me singing.** The design of singing is obviously vertical as our voices reach the portals of heaven, but it is also horizontal. God in his wisdom designed singing so we could

speak to each other as we sing. The Holy Spirit described what happens in our worship when He said, "Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Eph. 5:19). Those Sunday nights when we sit facing each other allows me to see the joy and faith you have and to be edified by hearing your words. This happens in each of our services, but singing in the foyer allows me to hear so many of those who are there encouraging me to serve the Lord.

**I am reminded again of the wisdom of God in having us sing in our worship**

**I love singing in the foyer because there is a great sense of us being of one heart and mind.** The Lord established the church and that church is a family. We are a body where each of us plays a vital role in each other's life, and this is possible because we are all in the *same* family, the *same* body. We have the *same* goals and values in life. We have the *same* purpose for living. Paul said, "For to me, to live is Christ" (Phil. 1:21). This is so apparent to me as we sing together.

**I also love singing when we are not in the foyer.** Reread this article and realize that what is said of singing in the foyer can happen all the time. It seems easier on those fifth Sunday nights, but singing is of Divine origin, and He designed it to fit every occasion. This Sunday, make a special effort to sing from the depths of your souls as your praise God and speak to those who have your values. It will change your life!



By David Sproule

## "I want to be baptized. What do I need to know?" (Part 4 of 4)

*"Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?"* The man in Acts 8 was excited about the prospect of being baptized and wanted to know what stood between him and obeying what he had been taught. From this man's request, we learn that baptism is an integral part of the message of

Jesus, and we also learn that there are some prerequisites in order for one to be a proper subject for Bible baptism and to properly obey this part of God's plan. In addition to the seven items already considered, one must understand:

**8. The peculiarity of Bible baptism.** Just because someone has had a "religious experience with water" does not necessarily mean that they have been Biblically baptized. A baby being sprinkled is not Bible baptism (Mark 16:16). An adult being sprinkled is not Bible baptism (Rom. 6:4). A believer being immersed, who thinks he is already saved before baptism, is not Bible baptism (Acts 2:38). A baptism to become part of a denomination is not Bible baptism (1 Cor. 12:13). Bible baptism is of a peculiar individual, for a peculiar purpose, to enter a peculiar church. Any other "baptism" cannot be reassessed and then reapplied as "Bible baptism."

**9. The urgency of baptism.** If one is willing to wait for a later, better or more convenient time... Or, if one is willing to wait until a Sunday service when the whole church is together... Or,

if one is willing to wait until some family member or friend is in town to witness the event... Then he is not grasping the urgency and is likely not ready. In baptism, the blood of Jesus washes away one's sins (Acts 22:16)—those sins that separate someone from God (Isa. 59:1-2; 2 Thess. 1:8-9). If a person decides that he "can wait" a few days or weeks or months to be baptized, then he does not realize the true nature, purpose and urgency of Bible baptism.

So, you want to be baptized? That is so great! Now, are you ready? Think through and answer these questions:

- Do I understand the all-authoritative nature of Scripture?
- Do I understand man's desperate need for salvation?
- Do I understand God's full plan of salvation, which involves my open faith in Jesus and repentance from sin?
- Do I understand the purpose of baptism in God's plan?
- Do I understand the unique nature of the Lord's church and the essentiality it must have in my life?
- Do I understand the commitment that is being made in baptism and am I ready for that commitment?
- Do I understand that God only has one saving plan?
- Do I understand the peculiarity of Bible baptism?
- Do I understand the urgency of baptism?



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### **Read it...for yourself!**

How many people have you heard criticizing the Bible but they've never read it themselves? They make comments like: "The Bible is full of contradictions." "The Bible is full of errors." "The Bible is just a book full of kid stories." Such bold and reckless claims, yet they've never read it.

How many people have you heard teaching the Bible but they've never read it themselves? There are teachers and preachers who teach the Bible (or at least certain parts of it or what someone else has written about it) but they've never actually read it and studied it themselves.

How many people have you heard believing the Bible but they've never read it themselves? They have heard other people talk so glowingly about it that they base their faith on the words of another rather than the words of the Book itself.

Now, of these three examples, which one is acceptable? Is it acceptable to criticize the Bible without ever reading it? Is it acceptable to teach the Bible without ever reading it? Is it acceptable to believe the Bible without ever

### **"It's none of the elders' business!"**

So often—when shepherds of a congregation are making efforts to shepherd straying sheep whose attendance at worship has fallen off—a member will be heard to say, "Well, that's none of the elders' business! They just need to leave me alone! If I'm there or not there is none of their business!" As gently as I can say this, such a position is absolutely baseless.

Here are two things to think about. First, whether a Christian is "there or not there" for worship absolutely does make a difference, for a child of God is under command to "not forsake the assembly" (Heb. 10:25) and "not to put a stumbling block...in our brother's way" (Rom. 14:13). Second, that same God ordained elders to be shepherds of His flock and "watch out for your soul" (Heb. 13:17). For your soul, the elders "must give account" to God (Heb. 13:17). The instruction to every member of the flock is, "Let [the elders] do so with joy and not with grief."

For a Christian to assert, "If I'm there or not there is none of the elders' business," has no Biblical foundation! Shepherds cannot afford to shirk their God-given responsibilities! – DS

# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Caleb Beliech</b>	Stephen & Carolina's 3-mo-old baby, stomach issues
<b>Pearl El</b>	suffering with congestive heart failure
<b>Tasha Ellis</b>	recovering at home from surgery
<b>Sharon Feeney</b>	recovering from shoulder surgery
<b>Janet Hickerson</b>	recovering from back surgery
<b>Ruth Lipford</b>	sciatica, doing better
<b>Silas Moses</b>	recovering at home from kidney surgery
<b>Godfrey Pratt</b>	now at home, has pneumonia but is improving
<b>Mary Reeves</b>	cataract surgery on Wednesday (4/9)
<b>Cathy Seay</b>	recovering at home from surgery
<b>Patricia Ventress</b>	VA Hospital, fluid in her lungs & bronchitis
<b>Karen Watts</b>	not doing well and is getting weaker

## Long-Term Health Issues

<b>Millie Ames</b>	receiving specialized care
<b>Lillian Bankston</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Janet Hickerson</b>	suffering with back pain
<b>Lennie Langley</b>	Palms Edge, Hospice Care
<b>Deidra Miley</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Silas Moses</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Charles Norton</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Gene Puckett</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Les Sawyer</b>	recovering from radiation
<b>Norman Smedley</b>	at home and very weak
<b>Patricia Ventress</b>	both kidneys removed

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Craig Clark</b>	Chuck Clark's brother, terminal
<b>Shirley Franklin</b>	Kay Richardson's sister, cancer has returned
<b>Jennifer Jackson</b>	Joe & Janice Maloney's daughter, recovering from seizure
<b>Perrethia King</b>	Bettye King's sister, hospitalized last week for cellulitis
<b>Perry King</b>	Bettye King's father, under Hospice Care, liver cancer
<b>Mason Lerro</b>	Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, NICU, tracheotomy
<b>Peggy McKeal</b>	Ruth Lipford's daughter, recovering from major surgery
<b>Ennis Mitchell</b>	Kay Richardson's brother, stage 4 colon cancer
<b>Owen Pataluna</b>	Zula Garrett's great-great-grandson, leukemia & chemo
<b>Kevin Schenk</b>	Leesa Schenk's husband, upcoming surgery on arm (4/14)
<b>Edna Seames</b>	Gary Seames' mother, in ICU after having spleen removed
<b>Curtis Spann</b>	Glen Dawson's cousin, stage 4 cancer
<b>Andrea Spradlin</b>	Joyce Parker's daughter, undergoing medical testing
<b>Dotty Thomason</b>	Beth Fry's mother, hospitalized in Tennessee
<b>Lela Victory</b>	Olivia Ellis' great-grandmother, bronchitis
<b>Terry West</b>	Amy West's father, undergoing medical testing

## Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Vera Day	Gladys Jackson
Cora Lee Dennis	Jean McMasters
Margie Fortenberry	Betty Matter
Helen Gardner	Leigh Puckett
Margaret Griffo	Ricky Smedley
Margie Hardin	Margaret Wade
Loretta Holaday	Karen Watts
Shelton Howell	

## Pray for Our Missionaries

Josh & Cara Blackmer	Paraguay
Troy & Andrea Spradlin	Paraguay
Robert & Mary Martin	Pacific Islands
Scott & Rebecca Shanahan	Pacific Islands
Joey & Tammy Treat	Pacific Islands
Tamuka Arunashe	Zimbabwe
Nnanna Aforgi	Nigeria
Apologetics Press	Montgomery, AL
Mauricio Yegros	Coral Springs, FL



# Church Family Calendar of Events

## Sunday, April 6

- ◆ **Renova Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

## Monday, April 7

- ◆ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

## Tuesday, April 8

- ◆ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room. There will be a potluck luncheon after the Bible study. Bring some potluck dishes to share and enjoy.

## Thursday April 17

- ◆ **Ladies' Day at Palm Beach Lakes.** Kathy Pollard of Denver, CO will be speaking on *"The Bride of Christ."*

5:45 p.m.	Registration
6:00 p.m.	Opening Comments
6:30 p.m.	Dinner Served by PBL Men
7:30 p.m.	Lesson: <i>"The Bride of Christ"</i>

## Saturday, April 19

- ◆ **Golf Tournament at CFBC.** See the bulletin board for more information.

## Sunday, April 20

- ◆ **Mount Dora Children's Home Supply Deadline.** A supply list can be found on the Welcome Desk. Please place supplies in the Lobby.

## Saturday, April 26

- ◆ **Widows & Widowers Luncheon** from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the home of Kane & Fran Campbell. There will be a legal advisor as a guest to answer questions. See Kane or Fran if you need a ride. Please RSVP. See the Welcome Desk in the Lobby for more details.

## Sunday, April 27

- ◆ **Troy Spradlin Mission Report** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High & all adult classes will meet in the Auditorium.

## Friday, May 2

- ◆ **ET for Youth Volunteers Needed.** Volunteers are needed to provide housing for boys & girls and to bring cookies & drinks. *Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are able to help.*

## Sunday, May 4

- ◆ **Renova Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.



## Palm Beach Lakes

# Young Adults

## Saturday, April 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Area-Wide Devo & Fellowship** at 6:00 p.m. at PBL. See Ivan Villard for details.

## Sunday, April 20

- ◆ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 1.

## Monday, April 21

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Bowling Night** at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person. See Sarah Collier or Cindy Nelson for more details.

## Saturday, May 3

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Mike & Jean Archer.

## Monday, May 5

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Cherylann Wineinger.

## Saturday, May 17

- ◆ **Young Adult & Jr. High Service Project.**



## Palm Beach Lakes

# Youth

## Sunday, April 13

- ◆ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

## Friday, April 18

- ◆ **Sr. High PDQ Lunch** (No School Day) at 1:00 p.m. Meet at PDQ on Okeechobee Blvd. Bring money for food. See Skye Brown for more details.

## Saturday, April 19

- ◆ **Egg Hunt for Grades 5 & Under** hosted by the Jr. High Youth. Jr. High arrive at the building at 9:45 a.m. Bring 3 dozen filled plastic eggs. (No chocolate in eggs; it will melt.) Grades 5 & Under children should arrive at 10:30 a.m. to hunt for eggs. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring food and drinks.

## Saturday, April 26

- ◆ **Sr. High Cookout & Beach Devo** at Ocean Cay Park on Marcinski Road in Jupiter. Bring a side dish to share. See Skye Brown for more details.

# Equipping & Edifying Families



## “Hey Teens, It’s Your Move!”

I can share your life, but I cannot live it for you.  
I can teach you things, but I cannot make you learn.  
I can give you directions, but I cannot always be there to lead you.  
I can allow you freedom, but I cannot account for it.  
I can take you to worship, but I cannot make you believe.  
I can teach you right from wrong, but I cannot always decide for you.  
I can buy you beautiful clothes, but I cannot make you lovely inside.  
I can offer you advice, but I cannot accept it for you.  
I can give you love, but I cannot force it upon you.  
I can teach you to be a friend, but I cannot make you one.  
I can teach you to share, but I cannot make you unselfish.  
I can teach you to respect, but I cannot force you to show honor.  
I can grieve about your report card, but I cannot doubt your teachers.  
I can advise you about friends, but I cannot choose them for you.  
I can teach you about sex, but I cannot keep you pure.  
I can tell you the facts of life, but I cannot build your reputation.  
I can tell you about drinking, but I cannot say NO for you.  
I can warn you about drugs, but I cannot prevent you from using them.  
I can tell you about lofty goals, but I cannot achieve them for you.  
I can let you work, but I cannot make you responsible.  
I can teach you to obey, but I cannot be responsible for your actions.  
I can teach you kindness, but I cannot force you to be gracious.  
I can warn you about sins, but I cannot make your morals.  
I can love you as my child, but I cannot place you in God’s Family.  
I can pray for you, but I cannot make you walk with God.  
I can teach you about Jesus, but I cannot make Him your Savior.  
I can show you faith, but I cannot make you trust in Christ.  
I can teach you about prayer, but I cannot make you pray.  
I can tell you how to live, but I cannot give you Eternal Life.

— Love, Dad & Mom

**"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)**



Sunday,  
March 30

28. Valerie Houghtaling was baptized on Friday, March  
Ophelia Holmes was baptized on Tuesday, April 1.



Ronald & Denise Mills have moved to Ft. Pierce.

## News & Notes

**ET for Youth Volunteers Needed.** Volunteers are needed to provide housing for boys & girls on Friday, May 2 and to bring cookies & drinks. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are able to help.

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Ms. Virginia Alvin; Kerriann Badal; Alan Brace; Mr. Jean Charles; Miss Shaeyla Davis; Miss Sharon Gallagher; William Haines; Ophelia Holmes; Ms. Linda Hoskins; Ms. Monique LeBlanc; Sandy & Jon Roberts; Noel Sinclair; Lana Smith, Sasha, and Alexis; Christopher & Yolanda Stewart; and Terry West.

**OUT OF TOWN VISITORS:** Vickie Armstrong, Tampa, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Ricky Davis, Equality, AL; Don & Carol Dodd, Soddy Daisy, TN; Lynne & Bette Ford, Virginia Beach, VA; Mrs. Paula Seal, Everett, WA; Mr. & Mrs. Frank Ward, Jacksonville, FL; Linda Wolfe & Ava Johnson, Fayetteville, NC; and Mauricio Yegros, Pompano Beach, FL.



Monday (April 7<sup>th</sup>)

Kristin Fuller  
Lauren Fuller

Tuesday (April 8<sup>th</sup>)

Micky Affron  
Jean Archer  
Zula Garrett  
Nadia King

Wednesday (April 9<sup>th</sup>)

Regina Mayne

Thursday (April 10<sup>th</sup>)

Ed & Jeannie Buonadonna  
Anthioda Charles  
Jennifer Higbee  
Rose Martens  
Stephanie Weeks

Friday (April 11<sup>th</sup>)

Ronald & Denise Mills (Ann.)

Saturday (April 12<sup>th</sup>)

Bill & Inell Ingram (Ann.)

## Those to Serve

*If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.*

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at 9:50 a.m.*

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 5:50 p.m.*

### Sunday Morning, April 6

Lead Singing ..... Gary Friedly  
Opening Prayer ..... Johnny Davis  
Scripture Reading..... Dan Jenkins  
Presiding at Table ..... David Sproule  
Serve at Table:  
Kane Campbell      Kenneth Long  
Lance Collier      Jerry Pittman  
Jim Davis          Jim Rogers  
Namdidie Ikon      Eugene Williams  
Alternates:  
Paul Metzkes      Chris Thomas  
Sermon..... Dan Jenkins  
Closing Prayer ..... David Sproule

### Sunday Evening, April 6

Lead Singing ..... Dan McLeod  
Opening Prayer ..... Brad Shelt  
Scripture Reading..... David Payne  
Presiding at Table..... Rick Hall  
Serve at Table:  
Gorman Ericksen, Bobbo Lupo &  
Dirk Summerlot  
Sermon..... Dan Jenkins  
Closing Prayer ..... Charles Hayes

### Wednesday Evening, Apr. 9

Lead Singing ..... Chad Brown  
Extend Invitation..... Kane Campbell  
Family Prayer ..... Cam Crotts

## Our Record

Attendance	Mar. 30	Feb. Avg.
Sun. Bible study	206	225
Sun. A.M. Worship	342	379
Sun. P.M. Worship	178	179
Wed. Bible study	189	192
Contribution	\$14,991	\$14,116
2014 Weekly Budget: \$13,670		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +5,438		

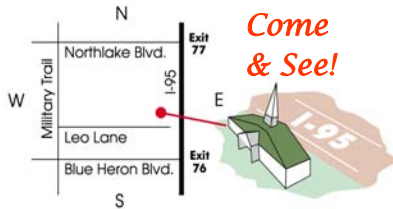
Ushers for the week of **Apr. 6** Head Usher: Freddie Gadson, David Brown & Gary Seames



# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

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### Service Schedule

#### Sunday:

- Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.
- Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.
- Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday:

- Bible classes ..... 7:00 p.m.

Front Cover: **Henry & Josephine Bass**

## First-Century Christianity in the Twenty-First Century

Speaking where the Bible speaks

Silent where the Bible is silent

Calling Bible things by Bible names

Doing Bible things in Bible ways

# CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Upcoming Events

### April 17

Ladies' Day with Kathy Pollard

### April 27

Troy Spradlin Mission Report

### May 2-4

ET for Youth with Kyle Butt

### May 10

PBL Family Cookout

### May 17

Elders, Deacons, Preachers & Wives Social Gathering

### May 18

"Coming Home" Sunday

### May 24

Saturday Night Singing