

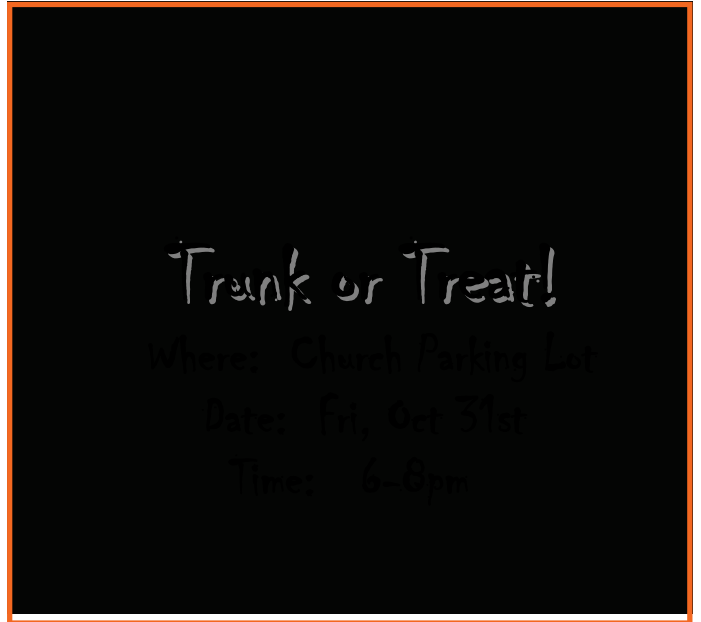


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Candy Drive

This year we are going to do something a little different - Cindy King (Bama Fan) and Tina Parker (Auburn Fan) will be our challengers. If Auburn brings more candy than Bama the night of Trunk or Treat, Cindy will be dressed in all War Eagle wear and vice versa. The weighing of the candy will take place **THIS Sunday, October 26th**. Two tubs have been placed in the foyer to collect the candy! For more info, please see Daniel Cameron..



Beatitudes for Parents

1. Blessed are parents who **make their peace** with mud and spilled milk, for of such is the kingdom of childhood.
2. Blessed are parents who **refuse to compare** their children with others, for each is precious.
3. Blessed are fathers and mothers who have **learned to laugh**, for it is the music of the child's world.
4. Blessed are parents who can **say "no" without anger**, for comforting to the child is the security of a firm decision.
5. Blessed are parents who **accept the awkwardness** of their growing children, letting each grow at his own speed.
6. Blessed are parents who **are teachable**, because knowledge brings understanding and love.
7. Blessed are parents who **love their children** in the midst of a hostile world, for love is the greatest of all gifts.

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GOD'S HARVEST CONTINUES!

Good things are happening throughout our jail/prison and correspondence ministries! **Tony Cleveland** baptized six men and one woman at the Etowah County Detention Center last week. With the immersion into Christ of Ethel Jackson in North Carolina a couple of weeks ago, this makes **130 men and women brought to Christ thus far in 2008 from these two ministries alone!** As the Lord told us, ***The fields are truly white unto harvest!***

The good news is that we are being pressed to keep up with the number of people who want to study with us! Ethel Jackson enrolled fifteen people from her family and circle of friends. We get one hundred new enrollments each week from the *Know Your Bible TV* program and can have double or triple that if we ask. In addition, we get referrals from students, enrollments from our daily newspaper and TV ads, from students in our NewLife Behavior classes at the ECDC and the F.C. I. at Talladega and from congregations we are helping to do correspondence and jail ministries. The point here is that the claim people will not study with the church is a **myth!** We can study with as many people as we want. The only problem is a *lack* of Christians who will teach!!!!

We give thanks for the ones who do teach! The seven who were baptized last week were taught by Tony, **Berry Shirley, Jimmy Large, Ray Cox, Betty Hale, Sherrold Bordenave, Suzi Morgan, Cheryl Bowling, Barbara Brown** from Rainbow. We surely have left some out. **Gary Pruitt, Johnny Moore** and **Bob Statum** teach from Central. **Carlos Perez** teaches two Hispanic classes at the ECDC, East Gadsden and Glencoe also teach classes there. Other teaching opportunities are open to us at the ECDC and the FCI at Talladega once we develop or successfully recruit additional teachers. If you want to participate in God's harvest, contact Tony Cleveland or Ray Cox.

Responses

P.J. Duncan responded to the Lord's invitation Sunday morning requesting the prayers of the congregation as he strives to be a faithful Christian husband and father.

Attention: G.G.'s

The newly formed G.G.'s (Golden Generation) will meet **Thursday night at 6:30** in the new Fellowship Hall for a chili/soup supper! Be sure to bring your favorite dessert..

Top 10 Reasons to Be a Bible Class Teacher (Part 2)

- 6. Staying Younger** Being around young people will help you remain knowledgeable about current trends and ideas. It also helps break down barriers.
- 7. Inspires Creativity** Not many opportunities provide an individual with so much room to be creative and autonomous each day.
- 8. Conducive to Family Life** What you teach to other people's children in class, you'll have an opportunity to teach your own children or grandchildren. It will help you be a better parent or grandparent.
- 9. Job Security** In some churches, teachers are a scarce commodity. Once you have proven yourself a successful teacher, you'll likely be able to pick your favorite age to teach, or even switch around. And if you move to another congregation, you'll immediately have a way to make friends and get involved.
- 10. Flexible Schedule** You can choose whether you want to teach on Sundays or Wednesdays, and substitutes are available when you need to be away on vacation, or just need to take a break for a quarter.

—adapted from Melissa Kelly



BLAKE'S BOX

With all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Ephesians 4:2-3

The Revival Continues...

The revival continued this past Sunday morning, October 19th, as **P.J. Duncan** responded to our Lord's invitation. His request was that we pray for him to be a better husband and father and that he would do better with his words. P.J. is a good man with the courage to walk down the aisle and make that heart felt confession. I appreciate him and his willingness to be the man God wants him to be. What a tremendous example he set for his family and for every one of us their. We are so blessed to have P.J., **Nikki, Dakota** and **Makenzi** as a part of the family here at Rainbow.

Let's all continue to pray for and encourage P.J. in his relationship with our Lord.

I can not say enough about how proud I am to be a part of a congregation that continually seeks to be the people God wants us to be. We have consistently seen brothers and sisters responding to the Lord's invitation over the past several months asking for prayers. I pray that this revival continues...

Isn't it great...

This past Sunday night, October 19th, I was speaking in Cottondale, AL at the **Cottondale Church of Christ** and **Norman Flynn** was on vacation. Everything at Cottondale went well and I'm sure Norman was having a well deserved good time on vacation. In our absence one of our shepherds, **John Bowling**, filled in by feeding the flock and preaching for

us. I heard he did a tremendous job; to no surprise of mine.

Isn't it great to have shepherds so willing to step up and feed the flock as God intends. Let's always be praying for our shepherds and encourage them in the difficult responsibilities they have been given. Thank you men – keep up the great work!

Remember In Prayer...

Joyce Flynn underwent cataract surgery Tuesday morning and is now at home recovering.

Gene Brown will have outpatient eye surgery on Thurs, Oct 30.

Don Dover is scheduled for a procedure on Oct 21st.

Sarah Newsome, friend of Tina Quarles, is in need of our prayers as she goes through a difficult time.

Elbert Lewis, preacher at Colvin Street Church of Christ in Anniston, had an appt in Birmingham about a cyst on his back. Also, his wife, **Hedi Lewis**, is undergoing tests at this time.

Cathy Langston is in need of our prayers at this time.

Charlie Bell is now at home.

Marie Colvett, mother of Nancy Wallace, is not doing well at this time.

Jerrie Whorton is not doing well and is need of our prayers at this time.

Sarah Simmons, mother of Gene & Doug Brown, is not doing well at this time.

Rita Bowdoin, Paige Buckner, Kim Clay, Betty Campbell, Jennifer Davis, Kari Dowdy Davidson, Addie Lou Dover, Dewey East, James Gardner, Bobby & Carol Golden, Dot Greenhaw, Robert & Vennie Guyton, Perry Hathcock, Elmus Honeycutt, J.R. Jackson, Elizabeth Khan, Craig King, Gene Mayhall Sr., Ruth Mayhall, Arlie & Joyce Neal, Redda Norton, Don Parker, Ron Patterson, Max Pruett, Jerry Reeves, Berry Shirley.

Shut In Members: **Martha Austin, Charles Bell, Leona Chance, Sarah Foote, Gurnie Foote, Dot Greenhaw, Vennie Guyton, Betty Jones, Butch Jones, Hassie Moon, and Inez Quarles.**

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TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Class 9:30 A.M.
 Worship Hour 10:30 A.M.
 Worship Hour 5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 P.M.
 Ladies Bible Class meets each
 Wednesday morning at 10:30.
 All ladies are invited to attend!

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 Beacon Online: www.rainbowbeacon.org
 Joint Worship: www.jointworship.info
 Zimbabwe Info: www.zimbabwe-report.info

RAINBOW RECORD

SUNDAY MORNING	235
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LOCAL BAPTISMS	12
OTHER RESPONSES	27
WBS/JAIL BAPTISMS	130
ZIMBABWE BAPTISMS	159
CONTRIBUTION	\$4,935

SERVANTS

SUNDAY, Oct 26, 2008

Welcome Blake Jones
 Scripture Reader Wayne Gobble
 Opening Prayer Allen Krienke
 Closing Prayer Stanley Stroup

MCGUFFEY CLASS: Group No. Three
 Leader: Wayne Gobble

WEDNESDAY, Oct 29, 2008

Announcements David Wallace
 Prayer Polk King

SERVE THE FAMILY

Berry Shirley, Presiding
 Doyle McCarver Wayne Gobble
 Elmus Scott Jerry Stanley
 Robert Edmonson P.J. Duncan
 Adam Brown Dax McDonald

USHERS:

Don Dover Roy Harris
 Mike Simmons Steve Lorren

GREETERS: Larry and Jane Naler

SUNDAY AM COMMUNION CUP PICKUP:
 Allen Kreinke

NURSERIES:

BABY: A.M. Beth Udaka
 P.M. Hannah Blissard
TODDLER: A.M. Kim Masters
 P.M. Katie Wallace

COMMUNION PREPARATION: Don Dover

MEMORIES

20 YEARS AGO: Ten of Rainbow's young men conducted services for the Falls congregation. The were: Doug & Craig Honeycutt, Jonathan & Jack Mitchell, Chris Daugherty, Vagan Higginbotham, Bryan Robertson, Jeremy Cleveland, Chris White and David Scott.

30 YEARS AGO: Mike Kimerly, brother-in-law of Garry & Jane Watkins, was baptized.

WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL

We had another super week as our Rainbow WBS teachers taught 290 people the gospel of Christ! This means that, on average, our teachers taught 41 people a day! 13 Rainbow teachers taught last week and these are the names and number of people each taught:

Bobby/Carol Golden	4
Tony/Jane Cleveland	25
Ray Cox	23
Eugene/Barbara Brown	88
Kathy Overbey	45
Alan Gentry	26
Jan Hamrick	30
Betty Hale	2
Becky Bagley	17
Joyce Flynn	30