**WELCOME VISITORS**

If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know that you are our honored guest, and we encourage you to visit with us again anytime you have the opportunity. We request that you fill out a visitor’s card, which you will find in the pew in front of you. Please drop the card in the offering tray, or leave in the seat, so that we will have a record of your visit. May God bless you.

**BULLETIN by EMAIL**

If you would like to receive our bulletin sent to you by email, please contact: jan@eastwoodchurchofchrist.com

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**News and Notes**

**HOLIDAY FOOD GIVE-AWAY**

It’s time to prepare for our holiday food give-away. You are encouraged to bring more than one of the items, but not super huge size. THIS WEEK:

- **Spaghetti/Meat Sauce**
  Please leave your donations in the shopping cart in the foyer.

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**WORSHIP ON THE RIVER**

Worship on the River will be this Sunday night, **August 27**, at McFarland Park, Shelter #1. Join us plan for an inspiring afternoon of worship and fellowship.

**RETRIEF FUNDS DUE**

Retreat funds are due by Sept. 3 for anyone planning on attending. Any questions, see Austin Swinea.

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**THE CHURCH DOESN’T KNOW I'M ALIVE**

These words are the sorrowful lament of quite a few men and women who are members of the church. Such words often originate with those who demand “special consideration.” They want to be exalted above all others.

Actually, such words are filled with self-condemnation. If the church doesn’t know that you are alive, why doesn’t it? It knows the song director is alive; it knows the preacher is alive; it knows that the elders and deacons are alive; it knows that the Bible class teachers are alive; it knows that the personal workers are alive. So... why doesn’t the church know that you are alive?

Many times the church does not know that some members are alive because those members never do any work for the Lord. They never attend Bible school; they rarely attend worship; they render no assistance to those who need help; they never attend a fellowship; they never visit the sick; they never open their homes to other members. In general, they give no “signs of spiritual life.” So, is it any wonder that the church doesn’t know that they are alive?

If the church doesn’t know that you exist, why don’t you show it that you are alive by what you do to help the Lord’s cause? Then everyone ~ including the Lord ~ will know that you exist in His Kingdom!

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**OUR SICK**

**HOSPITAL:**

- Abby Kate Rainey (granddaughter of Sandra Mansell), surgery on broken leg.

**OTHER FACILITIES:**

- L. Butch Gifford, Florence Nursing & Rehab, Room #111
- Lois Tate, River City Rehabilitation Center, Decatur
- Winona Spires, El Reposo Nursing Home
- Colleen Morris, Glenwood Nursing Home, room #312A
- Lucille Collins, Mitchell Hollingsworth N/H, Room #206
- Christine Brewer, Lauderdale Christian, Room #6A, 2019 C.R. 394, Killen, AL 35645

**RECENTLY DISMISSED:**

- None at this time.

**OTHERS SICK AT HOME:**

- Leonard & Lois Cole, 2817 Burleson St.
- Dorothy Srygley, 502 Virginia Ave.
- Bob & Peggy Comer, 301 Seymore Ave
- Tommy Russell, 1275 Hermitage Drive, Apt. 1A
- Tina Lansdell, 722 E. Ford Ave., Muscle Shoals, AL 35661
- Geneva Brewer home of David & Cathy Fenn, 110 Rosewood Lane, Killen, AL 35645.

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**WILL YOU READ THE BIBLE THROUGH IN 2017?**

One of the things that will strengthen your faith and help you to live better in 2017 is to read your Bible every day *(Romans 10:17)*. If you haven’t done so already, we encourage you to pick up a daily Bible reading guide in our foyer today and read the Bible through this year.

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**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:**

- **HOLIDAY FOOD GIVE-AWAY**
- **WORSHIP ON THE RIVER**
- **RETRIEF FUNDS DUE**

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**Remember these & others in prayer.**

*NOTE:* Please report any changes in this list to Charles Kretzer @:

- 256-766-4514 (office)
- 256-757-3521 (home)
- 256-710-8893 (cell)
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2017**

**MORNING WORSHIP ASSEMBLY**

Welcome: David Fenn  
Song Leader: James Cole  
The Lord’s Supper: Tim Elam  
Derek Hyde: Greg Harper  
Fred Dowdy: Eric Fenn  
Bible Reading: Roy Dowdy  
(John 21:15-17)  
Opening Prayer: John Clark  
Sermon: Austin Swinea  
Closing Prayer: Greg Peeden

**EVENING WORSHIP ASSEMBLY**

Welcome: David Fenn  
Song Leader: James Cole  
Bible Reading: Handel Brewer  
(Luke 10:25-37)  
Opening Prayer: Josh Fowlkes  
Sermon: Austin Swinea  
Closing Prayer: Greg Peeden  
Communion: Tim Elam  
Operate A/V Equipment: Tyler Elam

**TIME OF SERVICES**

**SUNDAY**

- Bible Study: 9:00 a.m.  
- Worship: 10:00 a.m.  
- & 5:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

- 7:00 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

**SUNDAY 08/20/17**

- Bible Classes: 9:00 a.m. ... 61  
- Worship: 10:00 a.m. ... 83  
- 5:00 p.m. ... 57  

**Wed. 08/16/17** ... 49

- Contribution: $2,334.00  
- Weekly Budget: $3,000.00

**THOSE TO SERVE**

**Wednesday, Aug. 30, 2017**

- Song Leader: Steve Daniel  
- Read Scripture: Austin Swinea  
- Opening Prayer: Derek Hyde  
- Invitation: Tim Elam  
- Greeters: William & Sandra Huggins, Charles & Lou Kretzer  

"A Word From Our Minister, Austin Swinea"

Over the course of a lifetime, we ask millions of questions. In fact, we often times ask multiple questions every day! Asking questions and seeking answers is a healthy habit to develop. It allows our mind and knowledge to grow as we learn and identify new things. However, there are some questions in life that leave us pondering the answer. Here are a few examples:

- If practice makes perfect, and no one is perfect, then why practice?
- If something is 10 times better than the leading brand, then why isn’t it the new leading brand?
- If dentists make their money from unhealthy teeth, then why would I trust a product that 4/5 of them recommend?
- And finally, if Cinderella’s shoe fit perfectly, then why did it fall off in the first place?

Although we may never know the answers to these silly questions, we can know the answers to some of life’s more serious concerns. For the next couple Sundays, we will be studying the “Questions of Jesus.” Throughout the life of Christ, Jesus asked several questions that we need to pay attention to and notice the correct answers. Join us on Sundays as we notice the spiritual questions Jesus asked His followers and how they relate to us today!

**In Him,  
Austin Swinea**