

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7

December 8, 2019

Welcome!

A Better Offer

During the wedding rehearsal, the groom approached the preacher with an unusual offer.

“Look, I’ll give you \$100 if you change the wedding vows. When you get to me and the part where I’m to promise to “love, honor and cherish” and “forsaking all others, be faithful to her forever,” I’d appreciate it if you’d just leave that part out.” He passed the minister a \$100 bill and walked away satisfied.

It is now the day of the wedding, and the bride and groom have moved to that part of the ceremony where the vows are exchanged. When it comes time for the groom’s vows, the preacher looks the young man in the eye and says:

“Will you promise to prostrate yourself before her, obey her every command and wish, serve her breakfast in bed every morning of your life and vow eternally before God and your lovely wife that you will not ever even look at another woman, as long as you both shall live?”

The groom gulped and looked around, and said in a tiny voice, “Yes.”

The groom leaned toward the preacher and hissed: “I thought we had a deal.”

The preacher put the \$100 bill into his hand and whispered back: She made me a much better offer.”

From day to day, we receive many offers from Satan (we call them “temptations”). Sometimes we’re offered financial reward, sometimes pleasure or self-gratification. The offer may seem appealing until we realize that God has made us a much better offer.

“Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life...He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.” (Revelation 2:10B-11)

If temptation makes you an offer today, I recommend you hold out for a better offer from God.

Have a great day and weekend!
Borrowed

PRAYER LIST*

MEMBERS

- Margie Rhodes Debbie Kendall
- Drew Meulenberg
- Bill Harty Judy Ressallat
- Bonnie Thompson Terry Shaw
- Bonnie Stephens Maria Reategui
- Maggie Rodriguez Elvis Durity
- Asbill Family Marjorie Connor
- David & Della Flagg
- Blake Family Carla Sledge
- JC Perez's mom, Wilda
- Larry & Di Menoher
- Stockman family Frieda Rodgers
- Lee Sutton Hughes Family
- Warren & Brenda Werntz

NURSING HOME / SHUT-INS

- Delbert Mick
- June McCauley
- Mildred Freeland
- Lyle Wheeler
- Dolly Blitch
- Wayne & Bonnie Bucy

FAMILY & FRIENDS

- Jon Sauer
- Dougan Family
- Laurie & Danny Osborne
- Maddie Whitlock
- Darinda Paul
- Joe Lennon's son
- Mary Ryder
- Jack Dehanas
- Linda Sutton grandson Matt & great granddaughter Jordan
- John Diniro
- Frances Wakeland
- Judy Ressallat's sister
- John Wallace's sister
- George Ballard
- Marsha Hampton
- John David
- Bob Stafford
- Judy Sauer's granddaughter, Magen
- Christina Soriero

MILITARY

Christopher Lemay Darrell Martin
Casandra Prokop Lee Strong

Order of Worship

December 8, 2019

Call to Worship:	Joe Lennon
<i>Medley</i>	<i>"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"</i> <i>"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"</i>
Welcome:	Lyle Asbill
<i>Medley</i>	<i>"A Mighty Fortress"</i> <i>"O to Be Like Thee"</i> <i>"God Is So Good"</i>
Bible Reading:	Garrett Macon - 1 Peter 5:1-11 NIV
Prayer:	Alan Glazier
<i>Screen</i>	<i>"How Beautiful"</i>
Communion	
Leader:	Tim Osborne
Scripture Reading	
Offering	
<i>Screen</i>	<i>"Only a Holy God"</i>
Message:	Lyle Asbill
Invitation:	
<i>Medley</i>	<i>"The Heart of a Servant"</i> <i>"Make Me a Servant"</i>
Song As We Enter the Mission Field:	
<i>Screen</i>	<i>"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"</i>
Closing Prayer:	Barry Brown

Gluten Free communion is available in a separate tray that has been placed in each communion tray.

Future Events

December 12th:	Livingston Academy Christmas Play @ 5:45PM
December 13th:	Christmas Festival Community Event 5PM-7PM
December 15th:	Youth Christmas Party @ Macon's 5PM-8PM
December 18th:	Deacon / Ministry Leader Meeting @ 7:35PM
December 22nd:	Bon Fire @ Otey's @ 5:30PM
December 22-26th:	Office Closed
December 25th & January 1st:	No Bible Study
January 17-20, 2020:	Youth @ Central Florida Winter Camp
January 18th:	Hunger Walk
February 1st :	Touch-A-Truck Annual Event
February 21 - 22:	Mental Health Seminars Community Event
Feb 28 - Mar 1st:	Family Camping Retreat
Tuesday Men's Prayer Meeting:	6:30AM @ building
Jail Ministry:	See Barry if you'd like to help with this ministry!

GIVING & ATTENDANCE
WEEK ENDED Dec 1, 2019

Weekly Actual \$4,639
 Weekly Budget 9,000
 Weekly Variance \$ <4,661>

4 Week Average Variance \$<1,442>

Attendance

Worship: 160
 Bible Study Attendees: 80

PRAYER UPDATES

- Mildred Freeland, Lyle Wheeler, Darinda Paul, June McCauley, Elvis Durity, Bonnie Thompson, & Scott Blake continue to have health challenges.
- Drew Meulenberg is dealing with AFib but at a more tolerable level. Drew is scheduled to go back to the doctor on Dec 11.
- Condolences to the Rollins / Travis / Paul families in the passing of Ann Rollins. Ann, who has been a winter resident for a long time, is the mom of Diana Travis, Darinda Paul, Dennis Rollins, and grandmom to Colby Paul. Services for Ann were held yesterday in Tennessee.

**BIRTHDAYS &
ANNIVERSARIES**

9 - Faye Elliot
 10 - Terry Billingsby
 12 - Kierce Callanan
 14 - Johnny Cipolla
 15 - Garrett & Shelby Macon
 16 - Terry & Janet Shaw
 17 - Lyle Wheeler
 19 - Janet Shaw
 20 - Robert Copeland
 25 - Velva Perry
 25 - Bobby Seay
 27 - Joe & Debbie Anderson
 28 - Tim Osborne
 31 - Bill Harty
 31 - Rachel Dehanas

Bible Classes This Week

Sunday Bible Classes:

Auditorium - Scott Holden - "Deuteronomy - Before and After"

Youth classes include:

Cradle Roll - Room #2A - Kim Osborne
 Pre-School - K - Room#2 - Shelby Macon
 1st - 3rd Grade - Room # 3/4- Susan Shelly
 4th - 5th Grade - Room # 1- Nora Vitiello & Susan Meulenberg
 Middle School & High School -Room # 11- Zak & Jordyn Dempsey

Wednesday Night:

Auditorium - Lyle Asbill
 Truth Talks / Singing - Classroom #11 - Zak & Jordyn Dempsey
 Preschool class - Room #2 - Kim Osborne
 Youth classes 1st - 5th Grade - Room #1 - Tiffany Mitchell

Life Forming Groups

Life Forming Groups are small group Bible studies that meet in homes. Everyone is welcome at any of the locations. Communion is available during each of the studies. The meeting location tonight at **5PM** is:

David & Marcella Wakeland - 1929 Imperial Golf Course Blvd

The meeting locations tonight at **6PM** are:

Barry & Kathleen Brown - 2610 White Blvd
 Phil & Cindy Osborne - 1410 Nottingham Drive

Elders

Please turn your elder selection forms in to Barry Brown, Ben Gyimah, Claude Haynes, or Lyle Asbill today! The plan is to install any new elder or elders in January.

Youth Christmas Party

Cookie making, games, carols, and sweet fellowship. Join the fun, Sunday December 15th @ 5 pm and bring a friend. Hosted by the Macon's. Please RSVP to 239-272-1210. Glenn & Pam's address is: 5121 Coral Wood Drive.

Rack N Stack - Thursday the 12th

After the Livingston Academy's Christmas play, we need to remove all the chairs from the auditorium for the Christmas Festival. Please let Scott Otey know if you can help on Thursday at 7PM. Then again, on Saturday, December 14th, we will need help placing all the chairs back.

Our Annual Christmas Festival

Please see Diane Otey today for a volunteer t-shirt. Mark your calendars for **Friday Evening December 13th** from 5:00PM - 7:00PM and invite those you know with young kids.

Directories

The 2020 Directories are in the editing stage now. Please take a couple moments to check the copy on the back table near the sound booth.

ELDERS

Barry Brown: 777-7248
Ben Gyimah: 449-6339
Claude Haynes: 450-0715

STAFF

Lyle Asbill: Minister
Kathleen Brown: Office Admin
Zak Dempsey: Youth Minister

DEACONS

Terry Billingsby Building / Grounds
Jeff Blake Adult Education
Alan Glazier Worship
Glenn Macon Youth
Larry Menoher Building / Grounds
Drew Meulenberg Finance
Tim Osborne Children's Education & Prayer
Scott Otey Special Events
Marc Rimmer Benevolence
Hugh Travis Livingston Academy
Tom Wriggins Worship

MINISTRY LEADERS

Dennis Coleman Visitation
Haris Domond Social Media & Advertising
George Fetzer Security
David Wakeland Involvement

USA MISSIONS

Roberto Escobar, Sr. [Naples]
Carlos & Maribel Preciado [Pompano]
Christian Home & Bible School

LIVINGSTON ACADEMY

Bailey Murrell Daycare Director

GHANA MISSIONARIES

Emanuel, Peter, Gideon, Mark, Amos,
Anthony, James, Valentine, Evans

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study— 9:00 A.M. - 9:45 A.M.
Worship— 10:00 A.M. - 11:15 A.M.
Spanish Worship— 1:00 P.M.
Life Forming Groups—6:00 P.M.
Meeting in various homes

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study —6:30 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Friday: 10A.M.—4P.M.
Wednesday: 11 A.M. —6:30 P.M.



SERVICE SCHEDULE

Today

Next Week

Song Leader:

Joe Lennon Joe Lennon

Opening Prayer:

Alan Glazier Easton Davis

Scripture Reading:

Garrett Macon Tim Osborne

Communion Leader

Tim Osborne TBA

Servers:

Charlie McCauley Shawn Mak
Logan Rimmer Jose Mak
Bill Strong Kevin Mak
Scott Otey Doug Fee
Glenn Macon Alan Glazier
JC Perez Zak Dempsey

Closing Prayer:

Tom Wriggins Barry Brown

Computer:

Jordyn Dempsey Cameron Rimmer

Sound Booth:

Zak Dempsey Garrett Macon

Nursery:

Marcella Wakeland Susan Meulenberg

Greeters:

Brenda Martin Phil Osborne
Nan Restivo Cindy Osborne

Ushers:

Dennis Coleman Larry Menoher
Cody Callanan Scott Holden

Visitor Center:

Diane Otey Brenda Martin
Please meet in Classroom #11 10 minutes before services begin. If you are unable to serve, please call: Alan Glazier or Tom Wriggins [Worship], Kathleen Brown [Nursery, Sound Booth], Lyle Asbill [Visitor, Usher, Greeter]

MISSION STATEMENT

To Glorify God By:

Leading people to know God through Jesus Christ.

Equipping members for ministry and spiritual service.

Assisting members to grow in love, holy living and fellowship with the community of Christ.

Declaring God in spiritual and truthful worship.

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