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## “The Gospel Message”

**Please Read Acts 13:26-39**

The Book of Acts is the indispensable line between the Gospels and the Epistles and it renders the sacred truth and the incontestable proofs that Jesus is the Christ. Acts also records the apostles' fulfillment of the Lord's commandment in Matthew 28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, Most believe that Luke is the author of the book. It is our only record of the birth of the Christian church and its expansion across the entire Mediterranean region. Acts introduces us to the Holy Spirit and His ministry after the resurrection. I love the way our Overview of Acts describes His ministry. The role of the Holy Spirit moves from promise to presence and from occasional intervention to permanent indwelling and directing. Where Jesus once taught and directed the activity of the disciples, Spirit guides their movement and gives them power in their ministry (John 14:16 - 17; 16:5 - 16; Luke 24:45 - 49; Acts 1:8; 2:1 - 4; 5:32; 13:2, 52; 16:6 - 7). As we focus on Acts 13:26-39, my prayer is that we will walk away with a renewed joy about the “Gospel Message” and that we will give shouts of thanksgiving for the sacrifice that our Lord made for us. Let's paint His Story on the canvas of prophecy. You may ask “Why is fulfillment of prophecy important?” One of the reasons that it is essential is because it serves as a tool to identify those who falsely claim to be the Messiah. God gives us a definitive guideline in Deuteronomy to identify false prophets Deuteronomy 18:21-22 You may say in your heart, ‘How will we know the word which the Lord has not spoken?’ 22 When a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the thing does not come about or come true, that is the thing which the Lord has not spoken. The prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him. We have had many men and women who have claimed to be the Messiah.

**THE TRUE MESSIAH** Jesus is the only one to fulfill every prophecy that was written about Him which gives us confidence that He is the true Messiah and our salvation is secure. Jesus, Himself reinforces the necessity of fulfilling prophecy as Redeemer when he meets with the disciples after His resurrection in **Luke 26:44-49**: He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.” 45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 46 He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” Jesus points to prophecy when He was on the Emmaus Road with the two disciples: 25 He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

Our passage this week looks at four (4) areas of prophecy about our Lord and evidence of its fulfillment as part of the Good News.

## Coming Up:

- Dec 3-Deacon's Meeting
- Dec 3-Women's Bible Study
- Dec 3-10 Lottie Moon Offering
- Dec 4-7 NBA Toy Store
- Dec 16-Love On Your Church Day
- Dec 17-Church Dinner (see info inside)
- Dec 25-Jan 1- Church Office closed for the holidays

## ATTENTION!

The Deacon's will meet this month, but will meet on Dec 3, at 4:00, rather than on the 10th.

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Toys will be taken to Shelby Ave Baptist following services on Sunday, Dec 3. **IF YOU WISH TO DONATE A TOY, PLEASE BRING IT TO THE CHURCH BY DEC 3.**

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We will have a half-day Love On Your Church Day, Saturday, Dec 16, from 8a-12p. Please help if you are able.



## Pastor's Message

Last Sunday, Daniel Burns told us about the church where his brother is Pastor. He said the church is about the size of Eastland, and their Lottie Moon Missions goal was twice ours. It seemed to me that our goal for International Missions should be more and I asked the folks in our morning worship service if they thought we could give as much as Daniels' brother's church. There seemed to be an enthusiastic support in doubling our goal this year. Accept the challenge and do your part supporting the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Our Missionaries have answered God's call to the mission field-lets make sure they get the financial support they need and deserve. Half their financial support comes from this annual offering.

Thanks to the folks who stayed after worship Sunday to decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas. We will enjoy the beauty through December. Here is the Eastland calendar for December: Sunday Dec 3rd-preach on the evidence of our Faith; on the 10th, the sermon will be the Amazing, Wonderful Love of Jesus. Dec 17, the Logos Romanian Church will join us for worship, and we will have the privilege of hearing Bro. John Gug preach. After the service on the 17th, we'll all enjoy a Christmas Dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday, the 24th, I'll bring the Christmas message and we'll observe the Lord's Supper. The 31st of Dec we'll have the opportunity to hear Ray Hudson preach. Ray is a faithful member of Eastland, a former Pastor and strong Christian witness. He is a mighty prayer warrior too.

On Wednesday nights, I'll join Tony Nunn doing midweek bible study. The theme is reaching our neighbors with the love of Christ. I'll teach this week, and the 6th, and Tony will be back on the 13th and the 20th. Wed night the 27th will be a prayer meeting. It will be a great way to finish 2017.

Worship Christ with your presence at Eastland Sunday, and be sure to invite someone to come and join you.  
Bro. Fred

### *Christmas Dinner, Y'all!*

On Sunday, December 17th, we will host a Christmas Dinner. The Logos Romanian Church, members of Grace Baptist Church, and CSM (City Service Missions) are being asked to join us that day. Pastor John Gug will bring the message for us that morning, and Tonya will share her beautiful voice.

The Church will provide the meat, bread and drinks, and we ask those of you who are able to bring a covered dish, or dessert. Dinner will begin following Worship services. Make plans now to join us!



### 2017 SPECIAL THANK OFFERING

#### POINSETTIAS

We will be offering beautiful Poinsettias this year, if you would like to order one in memory or in honor of someone. The cost will be \$10 each, and an order form will be in the Sunday bulletins for the next two weeks. You may also call or email your order to the church office. Please have all orders turned in no later than



For the THANK OFFERING this year, the Finance Committee is recommending that we use the Offering to replace windows on the building. Each window is expected to cost \$275.00 installed, and there are many windows, as you know.

As you are able, "adopting" a window would be an expressive way of giving thanks for what the Lord has done for you this year. Your offering of any amount would be helpful in replacing the deteriorated windows.

Thank you for all you do to promote the Church Programs and upkeep of the Church building.

## OPERATING BUDGET

Nov 26, 2017

Worship Attendance	39
Sunday School	38

BUDGET OFFERING:	\$ 6,100.00
DESIGNATED:	
2017 Thank Offering	20.00
Audio/Video	400.00
Lottie Moon Offering	105.39

TOTAL: \$ 6,625.39

Needed weekly for Operating Budget:	\$ 4,017.00
Needed to date for Operating Budget:	184,962.00
Rec'd to date for Operating Budget:	136,205.66

Other Receipts, YTD: \$ 75,313.17

**12/3 TELLERS:** Paula Boyd & Megan Waller

**12/3 Nursery Worker:** Brenda Hutto

## All Things New

Be sure to join us this coming Sunday at 4:00 for our 3rd session of All Things New. If you haven't made it yet, you can still join us! Hope to see you here.

## The Week of Prayer for International Missions (Lottie Moon Offering) December 3-10, 2017

Our Church goal is \$2,000 (see Bro. Fred's message this week!) for this offering. We will offer our "Lottie Moon Post Office" again this year. If you want to use the post office, bring your cards for church members to Mrs. Helen Brown, and she will sort them in the mailboxes for you. Each card costs just .25, and the money collected will go to the Lottie Moon Offering. If you have cards for homebound members, or for those who are no longer attending, please do not bring those. You will need to mail those cards on your own. We cannot mail your cards for you. Also, be sure to check your box for cards that have been given to you, as all members have mailboxes.



**Continuing prayers for:**  
Gary Anderson-Hilda Baker-  
Faye Crane-Thomas Crow-  
ell-Rob & Caye Darnell-  
Lorene Givens-Ann Stone-  
Katie & Tommy Taylor



## In our prayers this week:

Carlton Clemons (health)  
Juanita Cutrell  
Sharon Hardaway (Marsha's sister)  
Cindy Gothard (Moved into JB Knowles Homes)  
Ernie Gregory (Hospice care at home, Ginny's uncle)  
Sandra Gray Harris (Hospice care at home, friend of Jane Crocker)  
Ricky Holliday (Brenda Hutto's brother-in-law)  
John Mark Hutto  
Sheila Kiley  
Beth Niemi (breast cancer, Charlie's sister-in-law)  
Pastor Search Team and Transition Team  
Steve Phillips (brain tumor, friend of Vicki Watts)  
Darlene Rose (Friend of the Cutrell's, recovering from cancer)  
Ray Scherer  
Vicki Watts  
Youth Department/Youth Leader

If you have a prayer request or an update to the prayer list, please let us know.

Mrs. Cutrell is now in Life Care Center, in Old Hickory. She is able to receive visitors now, for brief visits. Please continue to pray for her and for the family.

**12/3 Deacon Prayer:** David Watts



**PASTORAL  
SEARCH COMMITTEE**

We are continuing to evaluate the three candidates. We met with one this past Monday, and will meet with another next week. The Transition Team will also meet this week. If you have questions, do not hesitate to speak with one of the search committee members. Please continue to ask God to bring to Eastland, the man that He has for us.

*Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. Col. 4:2*

Thank you,  
Paula B, Paula N, Daniel, Patrick, Joe, and David



## DECEMBER

13-Diane Grice; 15-Helen Brown; 19-Holley Hutto; 23-Arther Meadors; 26-Patsy Johnson; 28-Robby Herring; 28-John Hutto; 31-Kathleen Clay

If your birthday is missing, please let us know!

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A generous man will himself be  
blessed, for he shares his food with  
the poor.

~ Proverbs 22:9

**Sunday**

9:00-Welcome Center opens

9:30-Sunday School

10:50-Worship Service

***Check out our Sunday sermons on our website!***

**Monday**

6:30-Prayer Meeting

**Wednesday**

6:30-Bible Studies for all ages

**WELCOME**