

January 13, 2016

Wednesday Devotional
7:00 PM

Tim Woody.....	Jan 13
Jason Dawdy.....	Jan 20
Justin Dawdy.....	Jan 27
Art Morris.....	Feb 03
Bob Washington.....	Feb 10
Briar Dawdy.....	Feb 17
Larry Dawdy.....	Feb 24
Mickey Sweeney.....	Mar 02
Dink Kimbrow.....	Mar 16

Those who Serve
January 17, 2016

Announcements.....Tim Woody
Song Director.....Mickey Sweeney
Ushers.....Eric Scroggins
Monte Reisdorph

Services:
Morning Evening
Lord's Supper

Presiding: Larry Dawdy

Jason Dawdy	Justin Dawdy
Justin Dawdy	
Ben Dawdy	
Briar Dawdy	

Opening Prayer
Art Morris Colby Hatfield
Closing Prayer
Charlie Rogers Derry Henbest

Carl's Dye-a-logue

It is never fun to be accused of something you did not do. As a minister, my family and I seem to live in a glass house and some folks feel it is always their prerogative to throw stones. In the past, I lost a job (I was sort of trying to leave anyway) because someone heard me say something that I DID NOT say in a sermon...and would not listen to the tape (yes, it was a while back) to clarify what I DID say.

But this was taken to a whole other level last Wednesday (January 6). I had picked up Rachel at the high school to take her to an orthodontist appointment. Rather than going to 412, I thought it would be quicker to go the "back" way.

As we were driving on Jefferson, I saw flashing blue lights in my rear view mirror...so I pulled into a parking lot to let the police car go by. Imagine my surprise when the officer stopped behind me!

Apparently he had seen me "cut through a parking lot to avoid the intersection of Main and Lincoln." Please think about that for a moment...I was coming from the high school (my daughter in the front seat with her backpack would have vouched for this) and was on Main, I passed through the intersection of Main and Lincoln (the light was even green) and turned left onto Jefferson: what parking lot *could I possibly* have cut through to avoid that intersection?

I very politely asked him that question...he answered with, "Can I see your license, registration, and proof of insurance?"

The long and short is he "let me off with a warning for 'unsafe driving.'" I think I found myself wishing he would give me a ticket, just so I could go to court and prove how wrong he was...and maybe even issue him a citation for harassment of an innocent citizen. Well, after he delivered this "good news" his last words were, "Don't cut through any more parking lots."

Because of this 10 minute delay, we were 5 minutes late to the orthodontist...and still waited 15 minutes to be seen (actually they are pretty good about being on time).

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New Member
Sandy Hensley has been worshipping with us for several months. Some of us knew her when her family worshiped with us years ago downtown and when we moved to this building.
We are so glad she decided to become a member here. Welcome, Sandy to the fellowship here at Eastgate.
Add to your directory:
Sandy Hensley

(please contact the church office for Sandy's contact information)

- Bible Reading Plan**
- ☐ Sunday - Romans 3 - 4
 - ☐ Monday - Genesis 4 - 7
 - ☐ Tuesday - Joshua 6 - 10
 - ☐ Wednesday - Psalms 3 - 5
 - ☐ Thursday - Job 3 - 4
 - ☐ Friday - Isaiah 7 - 11
 - ☐ Saturday - Matthew 3 - 4

Elders:
Dink Kimbrow
Art Morris
Mickey Sweeney

Deacons:
Jason Dawdy
Andy Ingram
Linn Rice
Eric Scroggins
Bob Washington

Minister:
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OUR RECORDS

Sunday, January 10, 2016

Morning Worship.....	107
Bible Class.....	55
Evening Worship.....	58
Contribution.....	\$2392

Wednesday January 6, 2016

Bible Class and Devotional	60
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Sunday, December 13, 2015 Sermon Preview

AM: "The Gospel of Christ and the Problem of Sin: How the Gospel Addresses the Problem of Sin"

PM: "The Road to Anywhere"

Valentine Banquet coming February 13th. We are trying to get Country Cottage to cater it again and hope to have all this worked out before Sunday, January 17. Mark your calendar with the date and plan to come. We really enjoy the food and the fellowship.

The date and time are set, price is subject to change but should not be more than \$16 per person (widows and widowers have been taken care of...all you need to do is let us know you are coming).

The sign up sheet is up...all that is missing is your name!



Family Life Group #1/#2 (Dawdy & Ingram) will have a combined meeting and potluck following the morning February 7th.



POTLUCK DINNER

Family Life Group #3 (Rice) will have potluck and meeting following the morning service on February 14. Date may change.



Card Signing

Sunday night, January 24, following the evening service, is our card signing for the month of February Bring snacks, finger foods and enjoy the fellowship.

"Agape Sunday"

January 31, 2016

Bible Classes at 9:45 AM

Worship at 10:45 AM

Potluck at Noon

Dismissal

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So how do you respond when you are falsely accused? Do you rant and rave and make a fuss? Do you start making accusations of your own (true or not)? Both of these actually escalate the situation, by the way. Or do you speak kindly to the one making the accusation in hopes of diffusing a tense situation?

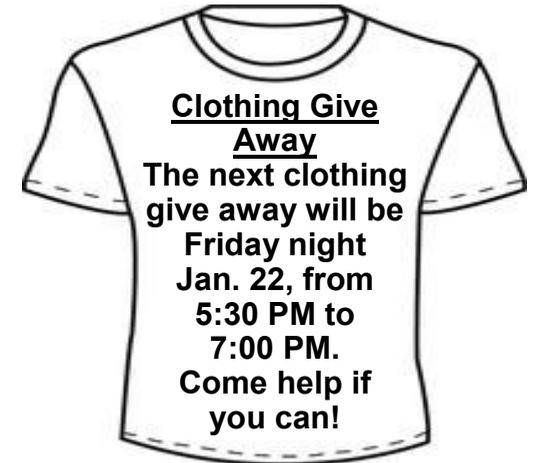
Jesus actually tells us how to respond in Matthew 5:11-12. He says: "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you." Important note: this is when people *falsely* accuse you. If you actually did it, and they accuse you, that is a whole different story.

Paul also speaks about this subject in 1 Corinthians 4:12-13 where he writes, "When we are cursed, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure it; when we are slandered (i.e. falsely accused), we answer kindly."

Peter tells us, "Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened." But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander" (1 Peter 3:13-16).

Earlier, though, Peter reminds us, "For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps."

The ultimate "false accusation" was when Jesus was falsely condemned and took our place on the cross to pay for our sins...suddenly a false "warning for 'unsafe driving'" doesn't seem nearly as big a deal.



Clothing Give Away

The next clothing give away will be Friday night Jan. 22, from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Come help if you can!

Bus Driver

January

Johnna Dawdy

Call the church office if you need a ride

Communion Trays January

Preparation - D/M Kimbrow

Cleaning - Jackie Hayes

Nursery Attendants

January 17

A.M. Donna Noll

P.M. Shirley Rich

SEARCH T.V.

January 17, 2016

"WE NEED THE CHURCH!"

(Check your provider for air time)