

# MARKET STREET



*“And this is the message we have received of Him, and declare unto you...” (1 John 1:5)*

# MESSENGER

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## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Bible Classes ..... 7:00 p.m.

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## MARKET STREET MESSENGER

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*David A. Cox, Editor*

## *“Eunice’s Family: What Can Be Done?”*

**Frank Himmel**

Marriage is life’s most intimate relationship. No one will affect you more than your mate. *“An excellent wife is the crown of her husband, but she who shames him is as rotteness in his bones”* (Proverbs 12:4).

For many reasons, Christians should marry Christians. Only in that case can you share what is most important in life — your service to Christ — with your closest companion. An unbelieving mate may influence you away from the Lord. If that does not happen, he or she will hold you back in some way, or at least make things more awkward or difficult. Two people dedicated to doing God’s will have a common basis for solving problems that come to the relationship. If God blesses the marriage with children, your parental obligation is much easier if both parents are Christians. And when death ends your marriage, how much better to face the loss of a companion knowing that he or she died in the Lord.

We need to emphasize these practical realities to people contemplating marriage. Nevertheless, some choose to marry those who are not Christians. Also, it is not uncommon among those already married for one spouse to become a Christian but the other does not. Such families should consider Eunice and take heart. She shows what can be done in that situation.

Acts 16 tells of Paul coming to Lystra on his second preaching trip. *“And behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timothy, the son of a Jewish woman who was a believer, but his father was a Greek”* (vs. 1). Timothy’s mother was Eunice (2 Timothy 1:5). His father was evidently not a Christian, and he was sufficiently opposed to Eunice’s beliefs that Timothy had not been circumcised (vs. 3).

What did Eunice do? Two things. First, she lived by her convictions, despite her husband. 2 Timothy 1:5 speaks of her sincere faith, which also characterized her mother, Lois. Second, she taught her son. Paul reminded Timothy that *“from childhood you have known the sacred writ-*

ings” (2 Timothy 3:15). It was surely more difficult for Eunice to have to do this training without a husband’s help, but she did it. Doubtless Lois also contributed. If Eunice did it, so can you. It will require persistent instruction and a consistent example.

Something else about Eunice is noteworthy. It was at Lystra where Paul was stoned and left for dead on his first preaching trip (Acts 14:19). Now, this same apostle wanted her young son to go with him to destinations unknown to assist him in preaching. What would be in store for Timothy? How would he fare? Surely she had concerns. But the text reveals no hesitation on her part or his, and this faithful mother’s beloved son proved to be a valuable worker in the Lord’s cause. If you will be a Eunice, your son may be a Timothy.

~via *The Gospel Power*; Anderson, Alabama.



## ***Where Did We Fail?***

**Robert F. Turner**

A mother or father tells me, “*My son (or daughter) obeyed the gospel when twelve years of age. He never missed Bible class or worship, and made talks on Wednesday nights. When he went away to college and began to hear arguments on evolution and all that junk, he really stood up for the Bible. I remember the first Thanksgiving holiday he came home, he told us all about the discussion he had with his teachers. He even tried to convert his roommate. But now — the boy has finished college and is married. He never goes to church, and he won’t let us talk to him about it. Bro. Turner, our boy has lost his faith.*”

The dad is terribly hurt about the matter, and certainly thinks he is telling me the truth about everything. But let’s run it through again — if we can bear the pain of doing so.

The boy (or girl) was “brought up in the church”, and from early childhood was impressed with the fact that as soon as he was old enough he would be baptized and partake of the Lord’s Supper. So he did! He never

missed a service, because his parents wouldn’t allow it. He “made talks” dutifully, being true to “the system”, just as he studied and recited at school. His parents, their social circle, peers of his environment, all, “believed in God and the Bible” so he thought he believed also. Evolution was “that junk” but if he ever heard it intelligently discussed it was ridiculed in specious arguments, or in labored terms he didn’t understand.

When he first met evolution, modernism, social theism, etc., as real live concepts, espoused by those he now respected (teachers), or his social peers (students), he dutifully responded. (He spent an hour finding 2 Timothy 3:16-17, and was shocked at its seeming incongruity in this new setting.) *They didn’t even believe the Bible!!* Or, he sought to meet a Ph.D. on the professor’s ground, and of course was unprepared. At Thanksgiving he may have passed the questions on to his parents, and they said “Oh, you know that is wrong.” Did he?

His bride came from this setting, or maybe a generation later; but do not blame her. (He selected her, remember!) The truth is, he has never had a mature faith, has never really obeyed the gospel. *Inherited religion is a poor substitute for the real thing!* The boy may never have seriously appraised himself, the scriptures, or the gospel. He probably blames his parents for the inner conflict he feels at times -- and yet he treats his own children the same way, with different standards of course. He tries to teach them what he thinks is best for them, in the best way he knows how. He can’t believe his dad faced such situations as he has had.

We can’t dismiss the matter by saying, “Let children grow up absolutely free to believe and act however they please.” We may not teach them, but none live in a vacuum. Also, this is an abdication of responsibility, and assumes that man is an authority unto himself. Godless societies certainly do not recommend themselves upon honest investigation, even in this world.

~via *College View Columns*; Florence, Alabama.

## ***Remember Our Study Periods***

Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m.

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.

*Come and Join Us As We Study Together*

# *The Lord's Supper*

**Bubba Garner**

We are creatures of habit. We generally like some sort of routine or pattern where we can know what to expect and when it is coming. There have been many afternoons that I have driven home from the building and not remembered making any turns or stops; I had just done them out of habit and not out of concentration. Scary? Not half as much as when we do that with the Lord's Supper.

We must be careful that in all of our halfhearted daily routines that we do not just "go through the motions" in our worship. Some have been Christians for several years and some are relatively new babes in Christ, but we must all have the same attitude and the same spirit of genuineness that the apostles had the first time they ever celebrated the memorial of our Savior's death.

The Lord's Supper involves a look backward. On the night of His betrayal, Jesus celebrated the Feast of the Passover with the twelve, divided the bread and the cup, and said "do this in remembrance of Me" (Luke 22:19). It is a memorial feast in which we replay the scenes of Calvary and take our minds back to the cross where ruthless men drove nails through the hands and feet of the Son of God. Don't forget to look back.

The Lord's Supper involves a look within. "Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup" (1 Corinthians 11:27-28). The church in Corinth made a mockery of the Lord's Supper by turning it into a giant feast and social function. Paul warned them that they were not properly discerning the body and the blood and that whoever did not partake in a worthy manner were as guilty of sin as those who nailed Jesus to the cross. Don't forget to look in.

The Lord's Supper involves a look forward. Paul said in the same letter, "for as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes" (1 Corinthians 11:26). Just as the rainbow was a sign of the covenant between God and man, our partaking of the Lord's Supper demonstrates our faith in Him that He will keep His promise and come again

to take us home. Remember to keep looking ahead.

Let us share in this memorial feast and show reverence to the Father for providing us freedom from the bondage of sin and to the Son for subjecting Himself on our behalf.

~via *Southside Sunday*; Pasadena, Texas.

## *News & Notes*

### **THE SICK:**

Bobbie Adcock	Wayne Gooch
Wynell Casteel	Yvonne Sherbert
Mary Ruth Gardner	Betty Faye Holt
Charles Burns	Dempsey McLemore
Ava Brooke Campbell	Jeffery Miller
Henry Hobbs	Matt Poff
David Hartsell	Mary Holt
Reverie Barksdale	Marie Bates
Phillip Harwell	Una King Currier
Gladys Sandlin	

### *In The Hospital:*

*Scott Sandusky*; Carolina's Medical Center; rm. 11110  
*Eli Williams*; St. Jude's Hospital; Memphis, Tenn.

### *Athens Convalescent Care:*

Hazel Toone, rm. 10      Beulah Pope, rm. 100  
Mary Holt, rm. 26

### *Limestone Health Facility:*

Janet Berryhill, rm. 75-B      Mae Bragg, rm. 57  
Albert Bowers rm. 115-B      Frances Bowers, rm. 37  
Albert Norton, rm. 36      Rosella Pugh, rm. 74  
Irene Daniel, rm. 35      J.D. Clanton, rm. 11E

### *Brookshire Healthcare - Huntsville:*

Rachel Grubbs, rm. 112-C

### *Huntsville Health & Rehabilitation - Huntsville:*

David Gardner, rm. 101-B

### *Shut-In:*

Reba Adams, at home  
Lola Colwell, at home  
Polly Davis, River City Care, Decatur, rm. 74  
Ruby Davis, Valley View Health, Madison, rm. 51-A

**LADIES BIBLE CLASS:** The Ladies' Bible class meets each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. They will begin a new study this Tuesday morning on the "*The Barnabas Factor*". If you are a lady, and are able to meet with them, please join them in this study.

**WORK GROUPS:** Work Group two will be meeting this evening after our evening service. If you are in group two, remember to meet with your group tonight.

**NURSING HOME SINGING:** Remember the singing at the Athens Convalescent on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

**OUT OF TOWN:** *Helen Blankenship* has been in Gatlinburg, Tennessee this week...*Ida Nell Griffin* is visiting with her borther in Kentucky this week...*The McLemores: Alvis and Ann* have been in Gatlinburg, Tennessee this past week.

**SYMPATHY:** We want to extend our deepest sympathy to *Margaret Carter* and *all the family* in the passing of Margaret's cousin, *Leroy Davenport*. He passed away on Sunday afternoon and his funeral was Saturday at Limestone Chapel.

**SINGING:** The *Weatherly Heights church* in Huntsville will have their 3rd Annual Singing on Friday night, August 24th. This singing will begin at 7:00p.m. The song leaders will be: *R.J. Stevens* (if able); *Tim Stevens*; *Glenn Tomblin*; *John Kilgore* and *Lane Alexander*.

**THE RECORD:** *For the Week of August 19th*

<b>Sunday:</b>	Bible Classes.....	130
	Morning Worship .....	170
	Evening Worship.....	106
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Bible Classes.....	102

## Gospel Meeting

September 16-20, 2012

(Sunday through Thursday)

### Schedule of Services

Sunday 9:30 a.m.; 10:45 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.  
Monday through Thursday- 7:00 p.m.

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## Men Privileged To Serve:

### Sunday, August 26th:

#### Morning Worship

Announcements .....	Jerry McGlocklin
Song Leader .....	Todd Williams
Prayer .....	Joel Hamm
Preaching .....	David Cox
Lord's Supper	
Presiding .....	Jordan Lovell
Assisting .....	Marcus Morris
Serving .....	David Terry .....
	Marvin Putman
	Dwaine Allfrey .....
	Larry Mitchell
Closing Prayer .....	Tommy Coblentz

#### Evening Worship

Announcements .....	Jerry McGlocklin
Song Leader .....	Jerry McGlocklin
Prayer .....	Wayne Vaughn
Preaching .....	Song Service
Lord's Supper .....	Jordan Lovell
Closing Prayer .....	Jonathan Keenon

Other Assignments for Sunday, August 26th:

Usher .....	Heath Dollar
Work Sound System .....	Marty Adams

### Wednesday, August 29th:

Song Leader .....	Hunter Cox
Bible Reading.....	Isaiah 48:9-15
	Marion Mitchell
Prayer .....	Terry Andrews
Invitation .....	David Cox
Closing Prayer .....	Landon Adams

### Sunday, September 2nd:

#### Morning Worship

Announcements .....	Terry Andrews
Song Leader .....	Hunter Cox
Prayer .....	Bonnie Sutton
Preaching .....	David Cox
Lord's Supper	
Presiding .....	Joel Hamm
Assisting .....	Jordan Lovell
Serving .....	Harold Davis .....
	Tommy Burns
	Mot Dollar .....
	Russ Wulfekuhl
Closing Prayer .....	Jonathan Keenon

#### Evening Worship

Announcements .....	Terry Andrews
Song Leader .....	Todd Williams
Prayer .....	Jack Cannon
Preaching .....	David Cox
Lord's Supper .....	Joel Hamm
Closing Prayer .....	Benton Ball

Other Assignments for Sunday, September 2nd:

Usher .....	Ronnie Locke
Work Sound System .....	Nathaniel Adams