

Those to Serve

Wednesday Evening April 9	Wednesday Evening April 16
Building Lock Up — G. Fabian	Building Lock Up — C. Peters

Morning Worship April 13	Morning Worship April 20
Opening Prayer Bobby Parker	Opening Prayer Jack Chisum
Song Leader Gary Adams	Song Leader Greg Fabian
Communion	Communion
Presiding: Gheath Alatrash	Presiding: Demetris Kelly
Tom Langford Matthew Fabian	Russell Genaro Chris Lindelof
Charlie Layton Logan Lindelof	Daniel White Nathan Scarsdale
Phil Godwin Tim Nations	Charlie Story Bobby Parker
Announcements Gary Adams	Announcements Gary Adams
Closing Prayer	Closing Prayer
Nursery Attendants	Nursery Attendants
Virginia Visel Molly Godwin	Susan Peters Nina Layton
Ushers (*indicates head usher)	Ushers (*indicates head usher)
*Clifford Layton, Lynn Adams, Warren Hudman	*Jeremy Brown, Jacob Carriere, Paul Hamilton
Greeters	Greeters
Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale	Clifford & Nina Layton
Audio—Projector—Video for AM & PM	Audio—Projector—Video for AM & PM
Gretchen Whitmire & Sheila Banyai	Mauneys & Sheila Banyai
Building Lock Up for AM & PM—C. Peters	Building Lock Up for AM & PM—G. Adams

Evening Worship	Evening Worship
Opening Prayer Demetris Kelly	Opening Prayer Lynn Adams
Song Leader Bobby Parker	Song Leader Gary Adams
Communion Charlie Layton, M Fabian	Communion Charlie Story, Nathan Scarsdale
Closing Prayer Gary Adams	Closing Prayer Gary Adams

Worship Times:

Sunday

Bible Study9 am

Morning Worship.....10 am

Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

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DEACONS

Demetris Kelly
Rick Nudelman
Bobby Parker
Chris Peters
Charlie Story
Bob Williams

MINISTERS

D.C. Brown Pulpit Minister
Paul Cartwright Youth & Family Minister

MISSIONARIES

Benin, West Africa:
Paul Tohionon - Bohicon
Pascal Djedatin - Dassa, Soklogbo, Paouignan
Jonas Sambieni - Glazoue
Gaston Nda - Natitingou
Boniface Yentekoua - Kaboua
Dorothee Tchekpo—Savé, Boubou Pompe
Andre Assogba - Savé, Besse, Atchakpa
Blaise Atta - Beterou, Sinaou, Wari Maro
Elie Kouagou - N'Dali
Joachin Tonou - Abomey
Gabin Agbeci - Savalou
Bienvenu Assogba - BTC student from Savé
Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies
Lewis Romain

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BENIN 2014

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It is time for me to make a trip to Benin. Lord willing, I will fly out of Houston on June 28, arriving in Cotonou, Benin, on the 29th, and will return to Pearland on July 21 after a productive set of meetings and preaching opportunities. I will spend some time on the campus of the Benin Bible Training Center (BTC), meeting with the staff and the students. This congregation supports one student full-time at the school. I will also be examining the Frankie Smith Ag project (named in honor of Frankie Smith who was very instrumental in re-establishing the Pearland church in 1952 and was the wife of one of our original elders, David Smith). The project is located on the BTC campus and is currently being restocked with poultry, swine, and rabbits. New structures for the swine have been completed since my last visit, and other improvements have also taken place.

Two other members of the FACE board, Todd Kempton and Paul Montandon of the Whitehouse congregation near Tyler, will be there as well. We will be meeting with George and staff members at BTC and outlining some goals and visions FACE has for that good work.

After the graduation ceremonies for this year's graduating seniors has been completed, Todd and Paul will fly to India to meet with missionaries their congregation supports. I will remain in Benin to prepare for what has become my favorite part of the Benin experience – meeting with those we support in the field. Currently we support a dozen men in Benin, 11 of which are doing full-time work as evangelists. They labor in challenging and difficult-to-reach places (anything north of Cotonou is a difficult place to travel

to). Jonas Sambieni, a young family man that I met for the first time in 2004 when he established the work in Kaboua, works in Glazoue (Glaz-way) and is nearest the school. Gaston Nda and another graduate work with two congregations in Natitingou (Nat-i-ting-goo), which is the northernmost city in Benin where the Lord's church has been established. The rest are scattered throughout the bush in towns and villages between those two points. Men like Paul, our first missionary from the first graduating class of BTC as well as Pascal and Jonas, have been very productive and done great work over the years. It will be good to see them and speak to the congregations they serve.



The Lord has used Pearland for effectual work in a small country that had the door opened for the gospel for the first time just over 25 years ago. No other congregation in the US has done anything close to what you are doing at the present. You've always supported this work enthusiastically and have been generous in your financial gifts that you send by me when I go. I ask you to begin praying for the success of this upcoming mission tour and that you plan to give financially to meet

what I know will be many and essential needs when I get there.

As in the past, please give your cash or check to Bob Williams or to Gretchen. Because of their distrust of old currency, I always have to exchange monies donated for fresh 100 dollar bills. So the sooner we can begin collecting donations, the more lead time we can give the bank so they can order the new bills.

Keep studying and serving! DC Brown ©2014



YOUTH EVENTS

Camp Hensel is April 18-20, 2014. Applications are available; please pick one up and return it to Paul ASAP.



Ed Jones, director for FACE (French African Christian Education), will be in Pearland briefly on Monday, April 14. He would like to meet with as many from this congregation as possible on Monday at 7 PM at Spring Creek Barbeque on FM 518. Ed will discuss some of the things the board is currently involved in, as well as some potential areas of interest for future consideration. Please make plans to eat out that night and to meet with Ed.

Family Encampment

Our next Family Encampment is April 11-13, 2014.

1. We are at Cagle Recreation Area just west of New Waverly.
2. You will need to make your own reservations; call Peggy Story if there are questions.

We are still in need of volunteers for communion preparation and sound/projector. Please check the sign-up lists on the bulletin boards to see if you can help in the available months.

KEPT IN PRAYER

Scott Westmoreland passed away last night, April 8. Arrangements are pending.
Carol Ann DeWeese's surgery has been postponed.

In Continuing Need:
Our Members: Neil & Fran Barnhill, Tracy & Martha Cain, David Clayton, Evelyn Cordell, Daisy Dees, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Minnie Harris, Noah & Murrell Hill, Kaliya Kelly, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Von Knight, Brenda Langford, Evelyn Lawhon, Claudia Martin, Betty Pridgen, Eugene Priestley, Brenda Riggs, Doris Stuteville.
Shut-In: Libby Clayton **Others:** Timothy Anderson, Marjorie Garrison, Jim Godwin, Dee Grigg, Bartis Knight, Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Cloey Pruitt, Sherly Scott, Rick Stone, Darlene Woods, Wayne Wyatt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gary Adams is our contact elder for April. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see Gary.

April

- 12 Ladies Prayer Breakfast - 8 AM - Kelley's
- 19 Elders, Deacons, Ministers Meeting - 9 AM - Elders' Conference Room
- 26 Congregational Cleaning Day - Meet at the building at 9 AM.
- 28-May 2 Meals on Wheels - Please contact Leah Bateman to volunteer.



The Arms of Hope Grocery Run will be the week of April 14-18, 2014. We need to collect 50 large bottles of clothes washing liquid and 30 bottles of body wash. Please bring your items by Sunday, April 13. Let's have a generous donation.

Hoppy Easter Party

Saturday April 19th 10-Noon
 Location - Annex/Outside
 Please bring a friend and your basket
 Snacks, Egg Decorating, and Easter Egg Hunt
 Ages 1 year - 3rd Grade

 Church Family - Please donate
 plastic eggs, goodies to fill them and/or filled eggs
 in the tubs in the foyer by April 13th



Baby Shower for Trish Stafford on Sunday, April 27, from 4 to 6 PM in the Annex. Trish is registered at Target, Babies "R" Us, and Amazon.

April Birthdays

2 Morgan Cuellar	2 Derek Mauney
3 Dianne Westmoreland	7 Jack Chisum
7 Elaine Genaro	13 Shawn Cravens
13 Tracey Mauney	14 Jean Coe
16 Brenton Cook	17 Claude Anderson
19 Hannah Atkins	23 Charlie Story
25 Lacey Gartrell	28 Lucille Adams
28 Noelle Holmes	

April Anniversaries

7 Morris & Berna Dyes	7 John & Lacey Gartrell
9 Orlando & Amy Cuellar	11 Douglas & Doris Teague
19 Chuck & Sheila Banyai	