



# The Pearland Harvester

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS FOR THE WORK OF SERVICE, BUILDING UP  
THE BODY OF CHRIST

## IT STILL WORKS IN OUOGHI

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The Gospel Chariot is one of many evangelistic efforts used by our preaching brethren in Benin. Originally, it was a well-worn school bus sitting in a sale lot in Murray, KY. It was shipped to the BTC campus in Zinvie several years ago with the thought of using it to send school students out into the villages to preach the gospel. For a variety of reasons, including economic reasons, it proved to be somewhat impractical. Eventually, all of the seats were taken out; and storage compartments were built to accommodate everything needed to transport a portable church building to any place in the country. It was repainted from school-bus yellow to a bright red, and signage proudly proclaims it to be The Gospel Chariot. A group of preachers use it constantly in evangelistic efforts throughout the nation of Benin, and they persistently report great successes from these efforts.

A few miles ENE of Savé, on the national highway that goes to Parakou, lies the village of Ouoghi. Savé is the provincial city that we have been working in since we got involved with the work in Benin in 1999. Our evangelist, Paul Tohionon, was in that first graduating class of the school of preaching in Cotonou. He went to Savé and began a very successful work, planting a number of churches in Savé and in the surrounding areas. In my travels to Savé, I've been privileged to preach to or at least visit many of those congregations, including the church in Kaboua. Kaboua is still further away, to the NE of Ouoghi; and one has to turn off the paved road and travel eastward almost to the Nigerian border to reach it. We built a very large church building for the brethren in Kaboua, and we continue to support Jonas Sambieni who preaches there. He graduated at the top of his class and is doing a good work in Kaboua. Without realizing it, I've passed through Ouoghi each time I traveled to the Savé area.



From October 5 though October 9, the Gospel Chariot was sent to the village of Ouoghi. For five days, preaching took place every day and again every night



underneath the red-topped tent which serves as a mobile meeting place wherever the bus is sent. During the day, the preaching lasted until noon and was for the benefit of local Christians. They received great encouragement as a number of spiritual topics were taught and discussed. There were restorations and great spiritual revival. Bibles were passed out, and each day the crowds grew. Each night, the whole village would assemble in the market square where the tent was erected. Through preaching the gospel to those who met to hear it, the word was planted in fertile hearts. Twenty-six people were baptized during that five-day effort. I received 39 photos of the work while it was in progress.



How are we to explain the fact that, in a region saturated for several years by evangelistic efforts, more than two dozen heard and obeyed the gospel? Shouldn't this be an "overworked" area? Shouldn't people there no longer be interested? I'm not aware of any who obeyed the gospel apart from hearing it preached; and I can only conclude that the gospel, when preached to lost sinners, still converts sinners to Christ. It makes me think of Romans 1:16. And it makes me wonder, what would happen in Pearland, if we ... ?

For the Record—10-23-16	
Sunday AM	141
Sunday PM	48
Wednesday (10-19-16)	44
Contribution	\$4,838
Weekly Budget	\$5,800
YTD Contribution	\$216,903
YTD Budget	\$249,400

**Weekly Bible trivia question.** Please submit answers to the elders. The first correct answer reported to the office will be recognized and published in the next bulletin. **Here goes...**When he died at the age of 67, he had been doing the same job for 55 years in the same town. He took over for his father, a good man that was honored by all.

**Daily Bible chapter reading schedule,** beginning Thursday, October 27, 2016:

Thursday—**Philemon**  
 Friday—**Numbers 21-24**  
 Saturday—**2 Chronicles 1-5**  
 Sunday—**Psalms 111-113**  
 Monday—**Proverbs 25**  
 Tuesday—**Amos 5-9**  
 Wednesday—**John 19-21**

The correct answer to last week's question was: **The only nuts mentioned by name are almonds and pistachios (Genesis 43:11). Dates are a fruit. James Maxcey gave the first correct answer.**

*Friends*



November 6, 2016 (please note the date change)

*Invite someone to be your guest and to stay for a great meal!*



*Family Day*

**KEPT IN PRAYER**

Please pray that **Wendell** and **Sarah Romain** will have a successful hearing on November 23.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Yvette Barrett**, who passed away recently. Yvette was Anthony Davis' sister; Anthony is Kaliya Kelly's brother-in-law.

**Michael Smith**, Stephanie Forster's brother, will be having a heart procedure.

**Anthony Young**, Kaliya Kelly's uncle, has been diagnosed with bone cancer.

**Continuing Need:**

**Our Members:** Fran Barnhill, Annette Bumpers, David & Libby Clayton, Daisy Dees, June Evans, Matthew Fabian, Bennie Sue Galindo, Ross Genaro, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Murrell Hill, Kaliya Kelly, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Wanda Knight, Clifford Layton, Ben Lenamon, Jan Lemoine, Vi Price, Betty Pridgen, Wendell & Sarah Romain, David Smith, Loma Stone, Sandy Stone, Doris Stuteville. **Others:** Carol Addison, Leona Anderson, Timothy Anderson, Octaline Beaupierre, Evelyn Cordell, Ray Craycraft, Larry & Carla Doolen, Billie Dykes, Linda Evans, Gwen Fikes, Glenda Garner, Betty Goad, Sarah Goeman, Carol Jackman, Sharon Johns, Marc Johnson, Nelderine Johnson, Kerry Lemoine, Pat Lewis, Martha Locke, Austin, Celia, & Doug Matthews, Jim & Julie Maxcey, Ron McCright, Mary Means, Pat Miller, Scott & Cindy Miller, Lewis Moss, James Navarro's son, April Parker, Mark Pridgen, Cloey Pruitt, Sandra Brown Ryan, Henry Schaefer, Don Scott, Sherly Scott, Michael Smith, Rick Stone, Leon Vanderveer, Bennett Vincent, Alexis Anderson Washington, Mary White, Wanda Williams, Anthony Young, Lesli (friend of Heather Brown's friend).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Chris Lindelof** is our contact elder for **October**. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see **Chris**. **Kevin Scarsdale** will be the contact elder for **November**.

### November 2016

- 2 **Wednesday Night With The Master**—Meal served at 6 PM in the Annex—Areas of service begin at 7 PM. Chili will be provided by the elders; please bring your favorite side dishes.
- 7 **Secret Sisters**—6:30 PM—Jodi Briand's home. The ladies working outside the home will not be required to bring any food. Jodi will contact others to bring side dishes.
- 9 **Ladies' Bible Class**—10 AM—Annex
- 12 **Ladies' Prayer Breakfast**—8 AM—Kelley's
- 23 **Ladies' Bible Class**—10 AM—Annex



Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 AM, Sunday, November 6, 2016. Set your clocks back one hour.

### October Birthdays

- |                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| 27 Jerri Farmer   | 27 Sarah Romain   |
| 28 Steven Cuellar | 28 Daniel Townzen |
| 29 Nnenna Osuorji | 29 Jimmy Terry    |

### October Anniversaries

- |                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 28 Dwight & Leah Bateman | 29 James & Laurie Maxcey |
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### November Birthdays

- |                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 3 Ben Valdez       | 4 Michelle Griffith |
| 4 Vi Price         | 4 Karen Valdez      |
| 5 Warren Hudman    | 8 Buck Thompson     |
| 8 Mitzi Williams   | 13 Laura Moss       |
| 15 Tim Godwin      | 18 Doris Stuteville |
| 20 Becky Nicholson | 21 Delores Truelove |
| 27 JJ Martinez     | 30 Jeremy Bouillion |

### November Anniversaries

- |                        |                     |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| 5 Daniel & Sarah Brown | 30 Davy & Kylee May |
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## Those to Serve

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of service, building up the body of Christ...

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Wednesday Evening October 26	Wednesday Evening November 2
Building Lock Up—B Williams	Building Lock Up—K Scarsdale <b>WNWTM</b>

Morning Worship October 30	Morning Worship November 6
Opening Prayer Zack Williams	Opening Prayer Charlie Story
Song Leader Greg Fabian	Song Leader Gary Adams
Communion	Communion
<b>Presiding:</b> James Maxcey	<b>Presiding:</b> Bob Williams
Phil Godwin Lynn Adams	Tom Langford Jacob Carriere
Matthew Fabian Nathan Scarsdale	Gheath Alatrash Zack Williams
Demetris Kelly Bobby Parker	Derek Mauney Daniel Brown
Announcements Chris Lindelof	Announcements Kevin Scarsdale
Closing Prayer	Closing Prayer
Nursery Attendants	Nursery Attendants
Laurie Maxcey Angela Parker	Canova Genaro Elaine Genaro
Ushers (*indicates head usher)	Ushers (*indicates head usher)
*Josh Hundley, Russell Genaro, Jake Satterwhite	*Clifford Layton, Paul Hamilton, Jimmy Terry
Greeters	Greeters
Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale	Clifford & Nina Layton
Audio—Projector for AM	Audio—Projector for AM
Whitmire & Townzen	Brown & Townzen
Building Lock Up for AM & PM—K Scarsdale	Building Lock Up for AM & PM— G Adams

Evening Worship	Evening Worship
Opening Prayer Daniel Brown	Opening Prayer <b>NO EVENING SERVICES</b>
Song Leader Gary Adams	Song Leader
Communion Bobby Parker, James Maxcey	Communion <b>FRIENDS &amp; FAMILY DAY</b>
Closing Prayer Chris Lindelof	Closing Prayer

### Worship Times:

#### *Sunday*

Bible Study .....9 am  
Morning Worship.....10 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

### ELDERS

*Gary Adams 281-797-2575*  
*Greg Fabian 713-305-1626*  
*Chris Lindelof 281-224-2183*  
*Kevin Scarsdale 713-447-1866*

### DEACONS

*James Maxcey*  
*Bobby Parker*  
*Charlie Story*  
*Bob Williams*

### MINISTERS

*D.C. Brown* Pulpit Minister  
*Zack Williams* Youth Minister

### MISSIONARIES

*Benin, West Africa:*  
*Paul Tohionon - Bohicon*  
*Pascal Djedatin - Dassa*  
*Blaise Atta - Bétérou*  
*Clément Djebede - Okéwo*  
*Gaston Nda - Natitingou*  
*Valentine Ndimonte - Natitingou*  
*André Assogba - Gobé*  
*Dorotheé Tchekpo - Savé et Bessé*  
*Paul Kouagou - N'Dali*  
*Jonas Sambieni - Kaboua*  
*Gabin Agbeci - Savalou*  
*Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies*  
*Lewis Romain*