

Sunday Morning Order of Worship

Welcome • Call to Worship and Prayer	Bruce Haynes
Worship in Song	James Riddick
♪ OS Awesome God	
♪ 3 Hallelujah Praise Jehovah	
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Edgar Jones
Scripture Reading: Psalm 139:13-16	Chris Cherry
• No Gospel Express Today •	
♪ 180 Jesus Is Lord	
Communion Prayer	Bobby Edwards
Contribution Prayer	Bobby Edwards
♪ 567 Restore My Soul	
Scripture: Jeremiah 1:5	
Morning Message: Reach For Your Personal Greatness	Gerald Jackson
♪ 552 Have Thine Own Way Lord	
Scripture: Ephesians 4:22-24	
♪ *50 I Will Never Be The Same	
Invitation	
♪ 674 I Have Decided To Follow Jesus	
<i>During this invitation song, if you have a need for the prayers of fellow Christians, desire to be baptized into Christ, or to place your membership with the Ross Road Church of Christ, please come to the front.</i>	
Closing Remarks	Percell Duckett
♪ 215 O' Lord Our Lord	
Prayer	Percell Duckett

* Indicates the song selection is in the Paperback Books in the bookracks.
 ** HO indicates a "Handout" of a song that is not in either of our books.
 *** OS indicates that we should follow the words being projected on the screen.

Sunday Evenings Worship @ 6:00 PM

David Bobo

If you are unable to attend Ross or are traveling, you can watch & listen online!

We stream our Sunday Services LIVE!
 Online @ 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
www.rossroadchurch.org

Last Sunday's Record

Bible Class	36
Morning Worship	120
Sunday Evening	58
CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION	
Budget	\$ 4,606.00
Yearly Average to Date	
July 5, 2009	\$ 3,844.71

Welcome Visitors

Welcome to Ross Road! We are so glad that you have joined us this morning. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering tray when it passes. Please stay around a few minutes after worship so that we may meet you. Thank you for the opportunity to share the love of Christ with you - we hope you will be back soon!

Worship Service Schedule

Sunday Services

8:15 a.m. Communion Devo
 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 10:10 a.m. Gospel Express
For children ages 4 yrs. to 4th Grade

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Wednesday Services

10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Class
 3:00 p.m. Afternoon Bible Study
 7:00 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study

Ross Road on the Web
 LIVE! Online

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www.rossroadchurch.org

avcm@rossroadchurch.org

For those who listen to our services LIVE! on the web ... Please let us know you listen by e-mailing us at the address above. If you experience difficulties related to sound or video, or have any other connectivity issues let us know!

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All announcements, prayer requests, and other information for the "Heart to Heart" must be turned in to Raynee Randolph by 12:00 p.m. Thursday, NO EXCEPTIONS!

• Call 901.363.7439 or E-Mail rroffice@rossroadchurch.org •

Mother's Day Out

Phone 901.363.3644
 Office Hours Tuesday - Thursday
 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
mdo@rossroadchurch.org

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• Call cell phone for appointments •

Our Shepherds

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Before & After School Care

Phone 901.859.5203
 Hours Monday - Friday
 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

July 12, 2009

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• The Road to Heaven •

Ascension
 Gerald Jackson

Reach For Your Personal Greatness

Many people are trying to be somebody else because they are not content being who they were created to be. Someone has convinced them that they don't measure up to somebody's standard of significance or greatness. They see themselves not being important enough, rich enough, good-looking enough, smart enough, thin enough or strong enough to be considered significant. The American culture fosters the notion that we are not good enough as we are so we strive to become like the people we think are important. We attempt to become like the important people by accumulating the possessions which they possess. In some vicarious way this makes those who 'have not' equal to those who 'have'.

Those who have the public's ear exalt the important people among us so that we can imitate or at least envy those who have more than we have. This striving for possessions and/or positions of power is coveting run-a-muck. We seek to emulate those who have the possessions or positions we consider impressive. The ability to acquire these holdings, in our estimation, makes us equal to those we are impressed by. A natural expectation of this notion is that we expect others will be impressed with us when we flaunt similar holdings. Most often this is the case. The challenge is to have the newest, the biggest, and the most expensive in order to impress the on-lookers.

The desire to be significant is so intense in the American culture that we are not satisfied with getting what the important people have; we want to be who they are. And that's the very thing that causes us to deny the investment the Lord God has made in us. This series of lessons is entitled, "Reach for Your Personal Greatness. Everybody Else already has Their Own."

Grace & Peace! Gerald



In Your Prayers

Pray for Each Other

Continue to Remember

- Kim Alexander
- Helen Brock
- Natalie Cravens
- Freddie Estelle
- Judy Hector
- Joyce Hicks
- Tyrel Jones
- Tonya Kelly
- Monica Martinez
- Julius Melton
- Paul Montgomery
- Pamela Moore
- Willie B. Perry
- Rick Pratt
- Jacqueline Price
- Becca Reed
- Barbara Robbins
- Lewis & Tammy Short
- Mary Ellen Tomlinson
- Willie Mae Ursery
- Agnes Vaughn
- Jason Wilkerson

Underlined Names
are Ross Road Members



Our Service Men & Women

- Matt Beaty
- Sam Coblentz
- Colin Saulkner
- Bruce Haynes, Jr.

Current Needs

- **Dean Franklin** will have a biopsy performed next week.
- **Kenneth Whitten**, a friend of **David Hale** from high school, was found unresponsive Tuesday and is now on life support at Helen Keller Hospital in Tusculumbia, Alabama. He is 38 years old and has a wife and small son.
- **Debra Riddick** has had a severe flair up of Lupus and her blood sugar has been fluctuating erratically.
- **Luis Salazar**, son-in-law of the **Tomlinson's**, is at Methodist Central with pancreatitis.
- **Ben Williams** has been transferred to Allendale Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center to help him recover from an extended hospital stay.

Kennington Pointe Folks

- We pray that all our Kennington Pointe members are in good health and are keeping cool during this hot weather.



Looking Ahead

Mark These Events on Your Calendar

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| July 12 | Worship Committee Meeting @ 5 PM
Jackson's Anniversary Celebration |
| July 12 - 15 | VBS 2009 Veggie Tales Pirates |
| July 18 | Bowling Party Billy Hardwick's 1-3 PM |
| July 19 | Bryan & Sarah's Bridal Shower 2:30-4 |
| July 25 | Men's Prayer Breakfast
Sing Ice Cream Social |
| July 26 | La Chanda Wright's Baby Shower
Worship Committee Meeting |
| July 28 | WEW |

Praise & Details

More About the Family & Events

Worship Committee | IT | AVCM

| Today

All members of the worship committee are asked to attend the **bi-weekly** meeting. The meeting will begin promptly at 5 PM in the Library.

Happy Anniversary

| Today

Please join us this evening after services to celebrate with the Jackson's on their one year anniversary. It has been a wonderful first year of service to Ross Road Church and we are looking forward to many more. Stay for cake and coffee in the fellowship hall.

VBS 2009

| July 12-15

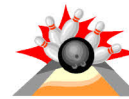
Mark your calendars to attend our VBS July 12-15 from 6:30-8:30 PM. Our theme this year will be Veggie Tales Pirates. The signup sheet has been posted. Please fill up all the blanks. This evening the men will be moving the chairs to the back of the auditorium. Please stay and help if you can.



Bowling Party

| July 18

The Church will have a bowling party Saturday the 18th from 1-3 PM. We have lanes reserved at "Billy Hardwick Lanes" on White Station and Quince. The cost is \$9.00 per person. There is a signup list on the bulletin board if you plan to attend. See Bruce Reed for any further questions.



Wedding Shower

| July 19

We will be hosting a wedding shower for Bryan Kelly and Sarah Holway, Sunday afternoon from 2:30 PM until 4:00 PM. Sarah is registered at Bed Bath & Beyond and Dillard's. The wedding will be August 1, 2009, at White Station Church of Christ.



Devotional Sing & Ice Cream Social

| July 25

Mark your calendars for a relaxing and uplifting evening of fellowship. We will have a devotional sing and afterwards, ice cream and all the trimmings in the fellowship hall. Bring your friends and neighbors and your favorite ice cream to share.



Baby Shower

| July 26

There will be a baby shower for LaChanda Wright Sunday afternoon July 26th beginning at 2:00 PM. If you would like to help hostess the shower, please sign the list in the foyer. See Angela Bobo for more information.



Words of Wisdom for the Week:

The pessimist may be right in the long run, but the optimist has a better time during the trip.

From Our Shepherds

Percell Duckett & Bruce Haynes

Understanding Difficult Concepts

Due to our human nature, we have a limited understanding of many spiritual matters. Possibly, the greatest of these is the concept of the Godhead or trinity. Although the concept is portrayed, the word trinity does not appear in the scriptures. As we attempt to wrap our minds around this concept of the Godhead, the most critical thing to keep in mind, is that there is but **ONE God** (1 Tim 2:5). Although Jesus is referred to as God and called Lord, there is but **ONE God**. Now we have to understand that Jesus is equivalent to God. Paul expresses in Philippians 2:6 that Jesus is the very nature of God, meaning that they are the same. He further expresses that Jesus is equal to God, so we see the oneness in the Godhead. The apostle John records Jesus as saying that He and the Father are **ONE** (John 17:11). We also see the involvement of the Holy Spirit during the creation. In Gen 1:2 Moses speaks about the Spirit of God (Holy Spirit) hovering over the waters. When God says let us make man in Gen 1:26, He reveals the totality of the Godhead; the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Now just because we can't fully explain it, doesn't mean that it doesn't exist. Remember, faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen. The fact that we can't totally understand a term or concept doesn't mean that it doesn't exist. Perhaps when we meet with the Lord in the air, He will allow our minds to fully comprehend the Godhead.

The Elders

Ross Road is a place where you can experience God's love, grow in God's family, and serve in God's kingdom • Ross is the place for you!

Children get your special "Children's Bulletin TODAY!"

ALL ABOARD GOD'S CELEBRATION TRAIN!
NO GOSPEL EXPRESS
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NOTE TO PARENTS

Please remember to pick up your child after Bible Class and take them to the auditorium with you for worship service.

THERE WILL BE NO GOSPEL EXPRESS TODAY!!