

Sunday Morning Order of Worship

Welcome • Call to Worship and Prayer	Percell Duckett
Worship in Song	James Riddick
♪ *71 At The Name of Jesus	
♪ *67 Light The Fire	
♪ 564 I Must Tell Jesus	
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Zack Bobo
Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:14-16	William Wilkerson
• NO Gospel Express Today •	
♪ *66 Above All	
♪ *90 Create In Me A Clean Heart	
Communion Prayer	Bill Randolph
Contribution Prayer	Bill Randolph
♪ 867 To Canaan's Land I'm On my Way	
Morning Message:	Gerald Jackson
Invitation	
♪ 940 Only A Step	
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.	
Closing Remarks	Bruce Haynes
♪ 970 I'm Gonna View That Holy City	
Prayer	Bruce Haynes

The Word Is Mine In 2009

- * 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

Gerald Jackson

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	44
Morning Worship	102
Sunday Evening	36

CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

Budget	\$ 4,606.00
Yearly Average to Date	
August 2, 2009	\$ 3,809.23

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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 LIVE! Online @ 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
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!

Our Deacons

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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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Office Hours **Saturday**
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
• Call cell phone for appointments •

Our Shepherds

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August 9, 2009



• The Road to Heaven •

Ascension
Gerald Jackson

Becoming Your Best

Becoming your best requires that you be yourself. You can't be yourself if you're trying to be someone else. It is okay to emulate the character of someone you admire. But, it is not okay to attempt to mimic who that person is. The Lord created us individually in order that we may reflect His glory in the world. Trying to be anyone other than His child would present the wrong reflection.

God knew what He was doing when he created us each according to His design. He didn't need our input as to *how* we were created or *why* we were created. His wisdom and skill designed and determined our personality and our purpose. Consequently, we should be motivated to fulfill His will and not our own. We should make it our aim to please the Lord. We should seek His approval and His alone. That's how we become our best—our very best. Our lesson this morning will come from Ephesians 4:14-16.

Tonight I will continue the theme of Church Etiquette. It would seem as though God is not allowed to be the focus of our attention during the worship that is supposed to be dedicated to Him. I am going to do my best to bring attention to how we can do a better job of focusing on the Lord in our worship.

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

Current Needs

- Former member **Kim Alexander**, had outpatient carpal tunnel surgery on Friday.
- Continue to remember **Betty Browning** and family as they deal with the loss of her mother.
- **Tracy Davis** needs prayers for **Jerome Davis**, Avery's father.
- **Eileen Davis** as she deals with cancer and declining health.
- **Ricky & Sheila Fowler** need prayers to do God's will and to love one another.
- **Judy Hector** received transfusions last week and is awaiting results from Vanderbilt in Nashville to have a bone marrow transplant.
- **Lois Hicks** niece, **Jencie Lee**, has been in the hospital in Texas with a high fever.
- **Bob Jones**, husband of **Sue Jones**, needs prayers for health issues.
- **Rachael McInnis, Marilyn Smith's** mother, will have surgery August 12th.
- Please pray for our returning teachers and students for the 2009-2010 school year.

Kennington Pointe Folks

- We pray that our Kennington Family is in good health.

Underlined Names are Ross Road Members



Our Service Men & Women

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

Looking Ahead

Mark These Events on Your Calendar

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| August 9 | Fair Food Fellowship
Worship Committee Meets @ 5 PM
Picture Day |
| August 10 | First Day Of School |
| August 15 | Wedding Reception 2-4 PM
Bernice & Langston |
| August 16 | Picture Day |
| August 23 | Worship Committee Meets @ 5 PM |
| August 25 | WEW @ 7 PM Library |
| August 29 | Men's Prayer Breakfast |
| August 30 | Song Service Ice Cream Social |

Praise & Details

More About the Family & Events

Fair Food Fellowship

| Today

If you like the food you get at the Fair, then come and fellowship with us after second service. We will have a varied menu from funnel cakes to corn dogs. There is a sign-up list on the bulletin board for the delicacies. Let's have a great time in fellowship before all of our kiddos go back to school.



Directory Pictures

| Today



To all of you that DO NOT have your picture in the directory, your time has come. New members, kids home from college, etc. please help us make the directory complete without picture-less pages. David, Jennifer and Raynee will be here to encourage your participation.

Wedding Reception

| August 15

We are cordially invited to celebrate the marriage of Langston Hampton and Bernice Powell at a wedding reception Saturday afternoon from 2 - 4 PM in the fellowship hall at Ross Road Church.



Women Encouraging Women (WEW)

| August 25

This month's WEW lesson is entitled "Hot As Fire." The scripture reference will be James 3:3-6 and will be facilitated by Raynee Randolph. We will begin promptly @ 7 PM in the Library. Come join us.

Song Service | Ice Cream Social

| August 30



August 30th will be the fifth Sunday. We will have a song service at 6 PM and after the song service an ice cream social. Bring your favorite ice cream and toppings to share.

Kitchen Shower

Many of the items in our kitchen are in drastic need of replacement. There has been a list compiled of the appliances and various cooking utensils that the kitchen could use. These items can be purchased anywhere by anyone. Thanks to those that have already participated. Look at the signup list on the bulletin board and see if you can fulfill any of the required items before September 20th. Leave your items in the kitchen and cross that item off the list. We all use the kitchen. . .thanks for all your help!! The Fellowship Committee



Words of Wisdom for the Week:

God gives every bird his worm, but He does not throw it into the nest.

From Our Shepherds

Percell Duckett & Bruce Haynes

Identity

Many believe that knowledge is power, and they seek to acquire it. Knowledge like any other entity that is used to distinguish members of humanity is valued for that reason. We all seek to find some ways of identifying ourselves. I remember my time in high school as a kid who wasn't very athletic, and not particularly handsome. So I sought some means of standing out and being recognized as someone of value. It didn't take long to realize that I couldn't change my looks, so forget about being tall, dark and handsome. At least one out of three isn't bad. It didn't take long to realize that I was not coordinated enough for golf, tennis, or baseball, so what was I to do? It was then that I realized that the acquisition of knowledge did not require any particular physical attributes. It didn't matter if you were 6'3 or 5'8, 185 lbs. or 225 lbs., curly or kinky hair. The acquisition of knowledge only required willingness to study and work hard. And the rewards of gaining intelligence were immense. The students and faculty all respected and admired the smart kids so this was the route I choose to distinguish myself. However, as one ages he/she realizes that the wise man was right, all is **vanity**. If you don't have a right relationship with God nothing else matters, athletics, ingenuity, coordination, popularity, judgment, good looks, etc., you name it.

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!



Bible Hour For Children
ages 4 yrs. old to 4th grade

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!!