

Sunday Morning Order of Worship

Welcome • Call to Worship and Prayer **Gerald Jackson**

Worship in Song **James Riddick**

- ♪ 23 Our God He Is Alive (1,2,4)
- ♪ *1 Let Us Worship (all vs)
- ♪ *75 Days of Elijah (as written)

Prayer of Thanksgiving **Edgar Jones**

Scripture Reading: Exodus 25:1-9 **Bruce Reed**

• YES - Gospel Express Today •

- ♪ 379 If That Isn't Love (vs 1,2)
- ♪ 383 Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross (all vs)

Communion Prayer **William Wilkerson**

Contribution Prayer **William Wilkerson**

- ♪ 647 Soldiers of Christ, Arise (all vs)

Morning Message: Invitation **Gerald Jackson**

- ♪ 792 My Eyes Are Dry

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 **David Bobo**

- ♪ 975 Get Right, Church (vs 5,2,3,4,5)

Prayer **David Bobo**



* 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 **50**
Morning Worship **142**
Sunday Evening **43**

CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

Budget \$ **4,606.00**
Yearly Average to Date
November 29, 2009 \$ **3,904.46**

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!

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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, PLEASE!

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

Mother's Day Out

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

December 6, 2009

Heart to Heart

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• The Road to Heaven •

Ascension
Gerald Jackson

**"Let Them Construct a Sanctuary
For Me"**

Today we have almost completed the work in the sanctuary. There are still a few elements to be brought in, but it is really taking shape. Some of the work has been contracted and accomplished by professionals. But, a large part has been done by folks here at Ross. Let's offer a special voice of thanks to all of you who have contributed in this work. May the Lord bless each of you for your efforts.

Let me again bring our focus on the need for all this inconvenience that you have had to endure these past few weeks. What seemed to be an adversity offered us an opportunity to make our place of worship a special place. It presented us a chance to transform our auditorium into a sanctuary. We could make a place where we come to meet with and celebrate Jehovah our glorious God. It is not just a place to come and hear preaching—an auditorium.

It's a place where our Lord comes to be with us in a time of adoring and praising Him. It is a special place. It is not to be made common. We have an uncommon God. He is the God who is worthy of our best efforts. He is not someone that we should seek a casual relationship with. When we come into His presence we should stand in awe of His majesty. Today's lesson come from Exodus 25:1-9. The Lord Himself instructs Moses to build a sanctuary. Let's look at the motivation, the means and the makings of the Lord's command to His people.

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
- Kevin Keel
- Tonya Kelly
- Monica Martinez
- Paul Montgomery
- Pamela Moore
- Willie B. Perry
- Rick Pratt
- Jackqueline Johnson
- 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

- **Angela Bobo** sprained her ankle.
- **Percell Duckett** requests healing prayers for Alice Duckett.
- Keep **Hoover Haynes** in your prayers regarding his cancer.
- Continue to pray for **Judy Hector** and her family. Tonya is back in Nashville with Judy.
- **Lois Hicks** requests prayers for her niece and nephew, **Sonny and Jencie Lee**.
- Pray for **Pepsi's** mother, **Annie Stevenson**. She has cancer.
- **Russell Rogers** has requested prayers for his wife **Bernadette**, as they deal with her cancer.
- **Agnes Vaughn** has been moved to Baptist Rehab on Exeter.

Kennington Pointe Family

- We pray for all of our Kennington Pointe Family this week.



Looking Ahead

Mark These Events on Your Calendar

- December 6** DeltaCappella @ GPAC @ 3:00 PM
- December 9** Ladies Luncheon
- December 11** Ladies Ministry Ornament Exchange
- December 16** Ladies Class
- December 18** Youth Group Christmas Party
- December 19** Christmas Toy Store
- December 20** Youth Christmas Chorus @ 6 PM
- December 24, 15** Merry Christmas - Office Closed
- December 31** New Year's Eve Party
- June 10-13** Well of The Living Water Retreat



• a place for everyone •

Praise & Details

More About the Family & Events

Ladies Ministry Ornament Exchange Party | December 11

Ladies, get ready for our annual dirty Santa and Christmas ornament exchange party. Our gracious hostess this year will be Brenda Wilkerson. Bring a favorite food to share, your ornament gift, and yourself to the Wilkerson's by 6:30 PM.



Youth Group Christmas Party | December 18

If you are a member of the youth group, make plans for your Christmas party at the church from 6:30 - 10:00 PM.

Christmas Toy Store | December 19

This will be our second annual Christmas Toy Store. If you happen to be shopping and see something that catches your eye, it would be a great time to think about the toy store. Toys may also be purchased online as well. Go to <http://www.memphisurbanministry.com/christmasstore.html>. This takes you to the MUM web site. Click the green box in the middle to "shop the Walmart gift registry." The toy list is extensive and you have your choice of gender and sizes. Have the toys sent to the Raleigh Community Church of Christ (4748 New Allen Road). Just follow the directions on the Walmart web site. Items NOT purchased online can be brought to Ross Road Church. Toys need to be **BRAND NEW, UNDER \$25, STILL HAVE THE PRICE TAG ON, UNWRAPPED, and be CULTURALLY SENSITIVE. Donation deadline is Today.** We will need many volunteers to staff this event. This was a great success last year. Please make plans now to be part of this ministry.



Youth Christmas Chorus | December 20

If you are a member of the youth group or younger, you are encouraged to join in our first Christmas Chorus. We will be singing carols and reciting poems or readings and maybe have a skit. Cristina Hunter has graciously volunteered to put this together. You must be available for a few practices. If you want to participate then please sign the list on the bulletin board with an e-mail address if possible so we can contact you.



New Year's Eve Party | December 31

There's no better way to bring in a brand new year than with your heavenly family. Join us on New Year's Eve as we eat, play games, sing and pray in the new year. Some folks will not last until midnight. . . Gerald. . . , but we will enjoy what time we have together. More details coming later.



Words of Wisdom for the Week:

Worry doesn't make tomorrow's troubles go away,
but it does ruin today's happiness.

• to grow in God's family •

From Our Shepherds

Percell Duckett & Bruce Haynes

Can Good and Evil Come From the Same Source?

There was a time when I attributed all bad things to Satan and all good things to God. However, after considering other scriptures, I am no longer certain of that position. When I think of Job's response to his wife or friend, which ever it was, he said, "shall we accept just good things from God and not trouble or bad things (Job 2:10)?" Obviously, Job was speaking of his current circumstances. His position was, should he only give thanks for the good he received from God and not the bad, which was paramount to supporting Satan's position? Remember Satan told God that the only reason Job was remaining true to Him (paraphrased), was because God had a hedge around him. Recently, I was reading from Lamentations 3:38 where Jeremiah (allegedly) states, "Is it not from the mouth of the Most High that both calamities and good things come?" Furthermore, Amos 3:6 states.....When disaster comes to a city, has not the Lord caused it? God made it clear that He chastises those whom He loves. As in the case of Israel, God chose to send them into captivity because of their disobedience and His love for them. He was administering discipline to His people, because He loved them. Don't we get some degree of joy by giving our children gifts, and the next moment we use the rod to chastise them for their disobedience. Therefore, I have come to the conclusion that some bad things come from Satan because he hates mankind and wants to see all of us in hell with him. However, sometimes bad things occur because God is using other ministers to chastise His people, to help them build character, patience and perseverance. Don't get caught up on the statement that God uses bad people as His servants (ministers). In the book of Jeremiah, He refers to Nebuchadnezzar as His minister. I think that we can agree that there was not an awful lot good about Nebuchadnezzar. God allows bad things to happen, but always for a good reason. Satan's motives are always for an evil purpose.

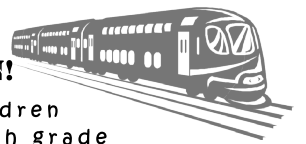
The Elders

*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!*



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 GOSPEL EXPRESS TODAY!!

• to serve in God's kingdom •

• to experience God's love •