

August 8, 2010

Heart to Heart



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• The Road to Heaven •

Ascension
Gerald Jackson

Get Up, Pick Up Your Pallet and Walk

The crowd was so large there wasn't any room in the house for Jesus (Mark 2:1-12). There was this noise on the roof. When the people looked up, they saw four men tearing through the roof and letting down a cot with a man who was paralyzed on it. Most of us would still be fussing about the roof being torn off. But the Lord sees something much more valuable than a roof. He sees the faith of the paralyzed man and the four men who carried him.

I imagine you could see a look of pleasure on the face of Jesus as He watched the man being lowered into the house. But, there is more to this scene than meets the eye. We see the initial faith these men had in Jesus. But, Jesus will later call the one afflicted to a greater walk of faith.

When He saw their faith, Jesus said to the man who was paralyzed, "Son, your sins are forgiven" (Mark 2:5). The Scribes took issue with this statement. Jesus, knowing what they were thinking, asked them, "which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven'; or to say, 'Get up and pick up your pallet and walk?'" Then Jesus answers the question for them. "But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority to forgive sins" He said to the paralytic, "I say to you get up, pick up your pallet and go home" (Mark 2:11).

To get up requires the paralytic to have faith in Jesus. You must believe Jesus has the power and desire to do good for you. He then is commanded to take on personal responsibility for his life. "Pick up *your* pallet" (italics mine). Don't be concerned about what the Lord has called someone else to do. Be concerned with what the Lord has called you to do. Then Jesus says to the paralytic, "...and go home." I know the Lord was telling the paralytic to go to his house, but imagine if Jesus meant to go on to heaven. Wouldn't that just be wonderful? The paralytic believed Jesus and got up from his affliction—so can we. He took personal responsibility and picked up *his* pallet—so can we.

Then he went home—so can we.

Grace & Peace! Gerald

Sunday Morning Order of Worship

Welcome • Call to Worship and Prayer David Bobo

Worship in Song James Riddick

- 3 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah
- *29 Great Is the Lord Almighty
- 718 We Shall Assemble

Prayer of Thanksgiving James Wilder

Scripture Reading Delmar McCondichie

• NO Gospel Express Today •

- 162 All Hail the Power of Jesus Name
- OS In Christ Alone

Communion Prayer Timothy Wright

Contribution Prayer Timothy Wright

- 535 The Glory-Land Way

Morning Message Gerald Jackson

Invitation

- 948 I Am Resolved

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 Percell Duckett

- 490 It Is Well with My Soul

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

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	35
Morning Worship	131
Sunday Evening	41

CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

Weekly Budget	\$ 4,606.00
Last Sunday	
August 1, 2010	\$ 4,197.00

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

We stream our Sunday Services
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" should be turned in to Raynee Randolph by 12:00 p.m. Thursday, PLEASE!

Mother's Day Out

Phone 901.363.3644

Office Hours Tuesday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

mdo@rossroadchurch.org

Before & After School Care

Phone 901.273.3102

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

bac@rossroadchurch.org

In Your Prayers

Pray for Each Other

Continue to Remember

- Kim Alexander
- Helen Brock
- Chester Bryant
- Natalie Cravens
- Freddie Estelle
- Thomas Ivery
- Jackqueline Johnson
- Kevin Keel
- Tonya Kelly
- Ambrose Landry
- Monica Martinez
- Pamela Moore
- Willie B. Perry
- Rick Pratt
- Becca Reed
- Barbara Robbins
- Lewis & Tammy Short
- Annie Stevenson
- Mary Ellen Tomlinson
- Agnes Vaughn
- Jason Wilkerson
- William Willis

Current Needs

- **Peggy Hendrix** request prayers for **Lula & Jan McKissack**. Lula fell and needed staples. She is 95 and **Jan McKissack** is Lula's daughter and care giver.
- **Jean Schrader** asks prayers for **Lynn & Jim Sweeney**. They are moving from New Mexico to New Hampshire. Pray for safe travel.
- Remember **William Wilkerson** as he has his last chemo treatment this Wednesday.

Kennington Pointe Family

- We pray all our Kennington Family has a great week ahead.

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us - whatever we ask - we know that we have what we asked of Him.

• 1 John 5:14-15 •

Praise & Details

More About the Family & Events

Directory Picture Days

| August 15, 22

For all new members and old members that DO NOT have a picture in our directory, it's time to get your picture taken. Pictures will be taken in the first classroom on the left going down the hallway. This will also be a great time to update any personal information such as phone #'s, addresses, etc.



Ice Cream Social

| August 29



Sunday evening, August 29th will be our 5th Sunday celebration. We will have a song service and devotional and then cool our voices off with ice cream. Bring your favorite ice cream, home-made or store bought, and all the toppings to go with it.

Anniversary Gospel Meeting

| September 10-12

Mark your calendars for our Gospel Meeting and Anniversary celebration, from September 10th through the 12th. Friday evening the 10th, will be a fun filled night of games and fellowship. You are asked to BYOD ... That is 'bring your own dinner', and spend the evening together. Saturday evening's events are still in the planning stages. Sunday morning at 10 AM, we will have combined services and a catered meal from Olive Branch Catfish Company immediately after services. The menu consists of catfish, chicken tenders, hush puppies, beans, slaw, banana pudding and drinks. The price will be \$11.00 for adults. There will be no services Sunday evening.



Lay Counseling Certification

Lay Counseling is a training certification that helps you learn the skills that can effectively be used to counsel people in life skills with a spiritual focus. If you would like to pursue this certification, please contact Rebecca Lloyd at home 901-542-9925, or cell 901-482-5121, or see Rebecca on FaceBook.

Thank You Note Received

"Thank you so much for your concern, care, support and encouragement over the past couple of years. It has been a long, scary, blurry couple of years, but thanks to God, all of you, the doctors in Atlanta, and a new optometrist here, I am now able to focus my right eye again. I received a hard contact lens Monday that fits the odd shape of my right eye allowing me to focus. On Tuesday, I went to Atlanta for a follow up and was given a good report saying the degree of damage had gone down from 5.4 to 4.8. I will have one final trip to Atlanta in December and hopefully will be fully released. Thank you again! "David Hale"

Words of Wisdom for the Week:

Feed your faith and your doubts will starve to death.

From Our Shepherds

Percell Duckett, Bruce Haynes & David Bobo

Where There Is Smoke

As a society of suspicious people we are so apt to jump to conclusions without knowing all of the facts about a situation. We frequently make the statement that, "where there is smoke, there is fire". This isn't necessarily always the case. Case in point; recently the President of the US made a decision to support the head of the Department of Agriculture in the firing of one of their district directors without knowing the facts about the accusation made against her. This proved embarrassing for the Secretary of Agriculture and the President, but this didn't compare to the injury caused to Ms. Sherrrod. I'm reminded of the situation in First Samuel when Eli, the priest, accused Hannah of being drunk with wine as she was silently praying to the Lord for a boy child. Because he saw her mouth moving and no sound coming out he jumped to conclusions that she was drunk. I used a high profile example of jumping to conclusions (as stated above, we say that where there is smoke, there must be fire.), but I'm sure that you can quote a local example of someone you know who has done the same thing. Let's not be so quick to jump to conclusions without knowing all of the facts. Even when we know all the facts about a situation, we should make an effort to say something that will build each other up.

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. Be sure to pick up a Children's Workshop Bulletin.

THERE WILL BE NO GOSPEL EXPRESS TODAY!!

Underlined Names are Ross Road Members



Our Service Men & Women

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

Looking Ahead

Mark These Events on Your Calendar

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| August 9 | MCS's First Day |
| August 11 | Ladies Luncheon |
| August 15 | Directory Picture Day |
| August 21 | Back to School Party 4:00 PM |
| August 22 | Directory Picture Day |
| August 28 | Men's Prayer Breakfast |
| August 29 | Song Service & Ice Cream Social |
| September 10-12 | Anniversary Gospel Meeting |
| September 26 | Ministry Fair |