

**OUR RECORD**

<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	April 6, 2008
<b>BIBLE CLASS:</b>	182
<b>WORSHIP AM:</b>	203
<b>WORSHIP PM:</b>	174
<b>CONTRIBUTION:</b>	\$9,994.60

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Count Contribution for April

Lewis Mobley, Barry Hyche, Jimmy Rivers

**Adamsville Church of Christ**  
**4207 Veterans Memorial Dr.**  
**Adamsville, AL 35005**  
**Return Service Requested**



**Please worship with us at the following times:**

**SUNDAY**

Bible Class 9:30 AM    Worship 10:30 AM  
 Worship 5:00 PM

**TUESDAY (September-May)**

Bible Class 10:00 AM

**WEDNESDAY**

Bible Class 7:00 PM

(all are code 205)

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Associate Minister		

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Paul McCaleb	915-8356	791-1757
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Bob Battles		674-0011
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# Visitor

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**RENEW YOUR MIND**

**Brad Harrub, Ph.D.**

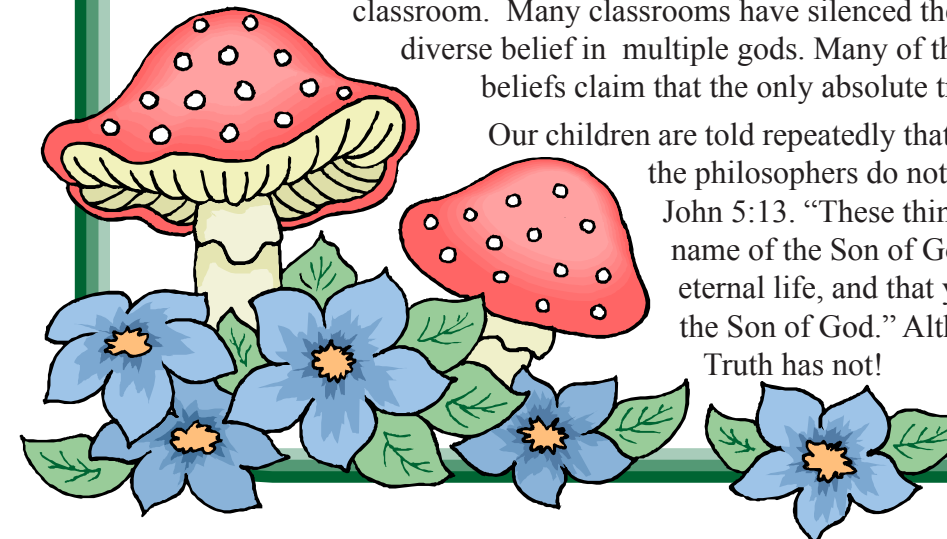
The Norman Rockwell “American Dinner Table” is on the critically endangered list, as families find more and more ways to entertain themselves. Most would readily admit that school environments today are not the same as they were thirty years ago. Student mentality is not the same. Authority is no longer respected. School performance and standards of achievement are not the same. Leaders are often found to not be respectable. Discipline is oftentimes nonexistent. Accountability is a word from a bygone era. And I’m not just singling out non-Christians.

The questions should be asked: (1) What has caused these fundamental changes?; (2) Where are these changes leading our children?; (3) What are faithful Christians doing about it? It is obvious that the physiology—the physical make up—of humans has not changed. Thus, we must conclude that much of the change we are witnessing today is the product of the environment and the circumstances surrounding people today. Clearly, young people are growing up in a different world than many adults ever witnessed—a world that has turned its back on the Creator.

Today, most biology textbooks teach that all living creatures have evolved from a common ancestor that evolved from non-living material. But it does not stop with science books. Fingerlike projections from this godless theory have entered into history, English, social studies, civics, and even math books. Suddenly, instead of learning a math problem about two trains leaving the train station at the same time, teens are presented with a math problem that spotlights the evolution of Neanderthal man compared to a timeline of when “Lucy” allegedly roamed the Earth. Simply put, many textbooks have replaced true education with mindless indoctrination that is hazardous to our children’s spiritual well-being. Their message is unmistakable: Religion is useless, and we should be tolerant of everything. In fact, the only sin that one can commit, given society’s current mindset, is the sin of intolerance.

Christian parents must wake up and realize that God has been removed from the public school classroom. Many classrooms have silenced the One True God in favor of embracing a diverse belief in multiple gods. Many of the militant philosophers of these “new-age” beliefs claim that the only absolute truth is that there is no such thing as absolute

Our children are told repeatedly that you cannot know the Truth. Obviously, the philosophers do not comprehend the inspired words found in 1 John 5:13. “These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, *that you may know* that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.” Although our environment has changed, this Truth has not!



**REPORTS FROM SELECTED MISSIONS SUPPORTED BY  
ADAMSVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST April 2008**

1. **Richardson Mission Report** – “We have visited other churches to spread the work of Truth For The World. We started the year at a level below where we would have preferred to be for personal support. We also lost about \$1000 of support and at this point we have not replaced those funds. We have met with other churches and are praying that they may be able to help. We are planning our Mission Forum for this year. It is scheduled for November 14-16, 2008. We encourage you to attend if at all possible. Thank you for your support.”

2. **Andrew Crowe** – “As always, I am very grateful for the support the congregation has shown me. It has greatly helped me over the past few months. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Classes have been going well. I’m enjoying them all, but particularly Personal Evangelism. The gospel meeting is almost fully planned and I am speaking on the subject of ‘Lord Help Me Worship Thee.’ Thank you. With Christian Love, **Andrew Crowe**”

3. **Memphis School of Preaching** – “Your generous support helps men prepare themselves to go forth with the clear message that salvation depends upon knowing and obeying the truth. Souls are in the balance, dear brethren, and their eternal destiny depends upon whether they reject the truth, and are lost, or they believe and obey the truth, and are saved. We work to educate men in the Word of God, and to prepare them to teach that the Bible is God’s Word. Each year, graduates go forth in the urgency of their mission of taking the gospel to every creature- and in the confidence that they are equipped to preach the message faithfully and capably. We are deeply grateful for all you do in holding up the hands of God’s men. We love and appreciate you, dear brethren, and we pray God’s richest blessings may always be yours. Sincerely, **Bobby Liddell.**”

4. **East Tennessee School of Preaching** – “Greetings in the name of our most high and personal God and Savior Jesus Christ. I am truly thankful for being able to attend this amazing school. Not only do they teach us the Word of God in such an effective way, but also they provide for us to be able to attend such great events as the “Lecture.” I cannot express how thankful I am to each of you in providing support for me to go to school. I will never cease to give God praise and honor for you and your unconditional love towards me. May God continue to shower His blessings upon you. God truly has been guiding and showing me the way. And I believe God is truly answering your prayers for me. That is why, I am and will always be grateful for your continuous love and prayers. Seeing your love for me helps me to grow even stronger in my love for Jesus. May He bless and keep you in His love and care. In Christian Love, **Dhanpersaud Ramkelawan**”

5. **Freed-Hardeman University** – “You are such a good friend to our wonderful students. Our gift to the Bible Teaching Program will be tremendous help to them through daily Bible classes and chapel. We are grateful for your friendship and generosity to us as we engage in the mission of teaching young men and women how to live and how to make a living. A tornado did heavy damage in Jackson on the campus of Union University. Our students immediately set about collecting snack foods, money, toiletries, and gift cards for Union students and organizing work parties to help with the clean up efforts. As they worked to help their neighbors, they exhibited your legacy of Christian service and sacrifice. During this year’s spring break, over 100 faculty, staff, and students will travel to 6 locations on mission trips. For each person, these trips are an opportunity to share the gospel with others and to serve others. With kind personal regards, I am Sincerely, **Milton Sewell**, President”

6. **Faulkner University** – “We admire people who truly commit themselves to worthy causes. We certainly appreciate your commitment to Faulkner University and the ideals for which we stand. Your recent gift of \$200 for the VP Black College of Biblical Studies at Faulkner is evidence of this allegiance. We especially want you to know of our gratitude for your gift. On going support from friends like you will assure that Faulkner University will continue to be a force for excellence in the lives of the thousands of students who pass through our doors each year. Thank you again for your generous donation. Sincerely, **Samuel H Long**”

7. **Latin American Missions** – “Thank you. Yes, we all want to thank you for your love and consideration of the Church and the lost in Latin America. We are striving to enlarge the borders of the Lord’s Kingdom and encourage the congregations in Latin America. Your continued contributions to this effort will ensure its success, along with your all important prayers. Thank you and God Bless. The staff”

The Mission Deacons,  
**Barry Hyche and Ray Bearden**

## Prayer List

### Sick

**Sam Swiney** is at Princeton in room 3115.

**Jaden Daniels** is scheduled for surgery at Walker Baptist on Tuesday, April 8th.

**Ivis Byars** (Paul Byars’ mom) is at Princeton room 578.

**Iva Dean Goolsby** (William’s mom) was transferred back to Ridgeview Nursing Home in Jasper on Monday.

### Please Continue to Pray For..

*David Burford, Jean Cicero, Sara Morgan, Janice Parsons, Martha Wiley, Ramona Yeilding, Jessica Ingle*

### Pray For Our Troops

**Ron Hudson, Stentsen Ellenburg, Tyler Burger, & Brad Timmons**

### Visitation Teams

Team #2 please continue to make your plans to meet on Sunday, April 13th. A copy of the worksheet will also be available on the table in the foyer on Sunday nights. Please continue to pick one up and use for this good work.

## Mark Your Calendar 2008

Apr. 11 - Prom Alternative rescheduled from the 4th

Apr. 13 - Baby Tea for Brandi Gray 2-4 PM

Apr. 13 - Elder’s meeting, 2:30, chair: **Leon Jackson**  
meet with **Jesse Claunch** from MSOP

Apr. 16-17 - Pied Pipers from Freed-Hardeman

Apr. 24 - Keenager’s Trip to Botanical Gardens/Whistle  
Stop Cafe (rescheduled from the 17th)

Apr. 25-26 - Renew at ICYC

May 15 - Senior Banquet

June 1 --- Homecoming

June 1- 4 -- Gospel Meeting, Speaker: **John Daniel**

June 12-14 - Mission Trip to Grimsley, TN

June 22-25 - Vacation Bible School

July 6-11 -- Ronnie’s week @ ICYC

July 18-19 -- Youth Rally

July 31-Aug. 2 - Trip to Creation Museum

Oct. 12-15 - Gospel Meeting, Speaker: **Larry Acuff**

Oct. 18 --- Family Fun Day @ Tannehill

Nov. 20 --- Thanksgiving Dinner

Dec. 31 ---- New Year’s Eve Singing

### 2009

Feb. 15-17 -- Singing School, Director: **Burt Jones**

## Adamsville Church of Christ Summer Series – 08 Theme: The Home

June 11	The Home as God Would Have It <b>Tom Larkin</b>
June 18	What Can I do to Make My Home/ Marriage Permanent? <b>Michael Light</b>
July 2	Dangers to our Homes <b>Patrick Morrison</b>
July 9	What does the Bible say about Marriage/ Divorce/Remarriage? <b>Frank Chesser</b>
July 16	Whom Should I Date and Marry? <b>Bobby Liddell</b>
July 23	What is the Role of the Husband/Father in the Home? <b>Stanley Ryan</b>
July 30	What is the Role of the Wife/Mother in the Home? <b>Tim Hayes</b>
Aug. 6	What is the Role of the Children in the Home? <b>Clarke Sims</b>
Aug. 13	How Can my Home be Happy? <b>Glen Posey</b>
Aug. 20	How Can I Divorce Proof My Marriage? <b>Dale Jenkins</b>
Aug. 27	How My Home Helps Me Get To Heaven? <b>Mel Futrell</b>



I just wanted you to know how much that I appreciate your thoughts and prayers for me and my family while I am gone. Thank you so much for the cards and packages you have sent. It is truly a blessing to have a wonderful Christian family. Love, **Stentsen**

Dear brothers,  
There are no words to express properly my thanks for the grief package you sent. This material has brought me comfort and the love shown in how much the eldership care has surrounded my family with love. Thank you for the strong eldership and guidance.  
God Bless you all, **Ann Noe**

Dear brethren,  
Thank you so much for the Christian love and hospitality that was demonstrated toward my father and I. It encourages me to meet new brothers and sister in Christ that have a deep passion to carry the gospel to the entire world. I trust and pray that the congregation at Adamsville will continue to be a great blessing and example for the Kingdom. In His service and yours, **Tyler Gilreath**