

## WEEKLY TOTALS

10/14 & 10/17

Bible Study	73
AM Worship	110
PM Worship	44
Mid-Week	61

OFFERING 10/14

\$3495.00

## STAY INFORMED

Are you on the email list for weekly updates, urgent notifications, prayer requests, and the digital version of the bulletin? If not please email Amy at: [amy30655@hotmail.com](mailto:amy30655@hotmail.com)

## HEARING DEVICES

If you need a hearing device please let John Newham know!

## WEDNESDAY CLASS

There is an early bible class on Wednesday's. It begins at 10:30 AM.

## HURRICANE HELP

If you are able to help with supplies for the victims of the latest disasterous storms please let the Elders know.

## GOSPEL ADVOCATE

If you are not receiving the Gospel Advocate please let one of the Elders know.

## JONATHAN EVANS

Jonathan Evans received 2 awards from the Loganville High School Band. "Most Respectful" and "Most Spirit". Congrats Jonathan!

# WELCOME

## to the Monroe church of Christ

We are so glad you decided to join us today! **OCTOBER 21, 2018**

## WELCOME

You are truly our honored guests! We hope that you find our Bible Study and Worship Service beneficial to you. We seek only to worship God in the same manner as done by Christians when the church began in Acts 2.

## CONNECTION CARDS

Please fill out a Connections Card in the pew in front of you. Pass it to the end of your row to be collected.

## PRAYERS

Do you need prayers? Whether its health, personal, or for others we will pray for you!

Richard Allen, Dotty Shepherd, Sharon Berrong, Timmy Thomas, Greg Miller, Lewis LaGrand, J.C. Cox, Ashleigh Millwood, Clifton Angel, Vicki Angel, Gordon Rickett, Annie Bryant, Ruth McCullough, Charles Mercer, Gregory Campbell, Jerry Cooper, James Ellis, Reba Wood, Cristina Cason, Buddy Allen, Tim West, Pam Mitchell, Brandon Parker, Elizabeth Cadena, Tommy and Carole Wolaver, Joe Maroney  
MILITARY: Matt Callihan, Jacob Shepherd, Tim Dixon, Wes Shepherd

## UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

Mens Weekly Breakfast:  
Wednesdays 9AM at the Pot Luck Cafe  
Ladies Monthly Bible Study:  
Second Monday of the Month  
Team A-1st Sunday of the Month  
Team B-3rd Sunday of the Month

**OCTOBER 21•**  
Team 2 Lunch  
**OCTOBER 24•**  
Bible Study  
**NOVEMBER 4•**  
Team 1 Lunch

## FEEDING THE FLOCK

CANNED SOUP • SALTINES • RICE • BABY SOAP

### Assembly Times:

**Sunday**  
Bible Study-9:30 am  
Worship-10:30 am  
PM Worship-5:00 pm  
**Wednesday**  
Bible Study  
Morning-10:30 am  
Evening-7:00 pm

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TOM TITTLE

## Remember Your Secret Sister

Please remember your secret sister. A note, a prayer, a candybar... she might need you this month. She may be going through something. Keep her in mind. Seasons are changing and she may be too!

## PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear	Believe	Repent	Confess	Baptized	Live Faithfully
Romans 10:17	John 8:24	Acts 17:30	Romans 10:9-10	Acts 22:16	Matthew 7:21

## ***Do We Look Back Or Look Ahead?***

Mike Riley | October 3, 2018

The great American baseball player Satchel Paige once said in jest, “Don’t look back “” something may be gaining on you.” In contrast, George Santayana, a Spanish-born American author said, “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.”

So which is it? Do we move on, never looking back, or do we dwell on our past errors to avoid making them again?

Scripture seems to indicate that we should do a little of both. We do need to think back on our lives and learn from our mistakes. That’s part of the process when we confess our sins and ask God for forgiveness (1 John 1:9). We need to think about our disobedience long enough to seek God’s mercy and then choose to “go and sin no more” (John 8:11). Forgiveness is God’s way of clearing the slate, but it’s our responsibility to avoid repeating the errors of the past. For example, the apostle Paul acknowledged his past mistakes and then focused on becoming more like Christ (Philippians 3:13-14).

So, is it best for us to look back or to look ahead? We would be wise to do a little of both: We need to look back for forgiveness, then look ahead, focusing on Christ and the “milk of the word” for future spiritual growth (Proverbs 4:23-27; cf. Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 Peter 2:1-2).

*More like the Master I would live and grow,  
More of His love to others I would show;  
More self-denial like His in Galilee,  
More like the Master I long to ever be. “”Gabriel*



## **DIRECTORY...**

*The directory is almost done. It will only be available on the website. Password protected. If you don’t have a password, please let one of the elders know.*

### **PERRY CHURCH**

The Elders have decided to send support to the congregation in Perry, GA. They are a small church and are in need of some help. If you need more info about this please let the Elders know.

### **GARRY JONES**

The Elders have decided to pledge more money to Garry for his mission efforts in India. If you would like to add to the offer please give it to the Elders. Also if there are any items you would like to donate please do so.

**ELECTRONIC BULLETIN**

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