Gloster Street
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GLOSTER STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
307 N. GLOSTER ST. - TUPELO, MS 38804
OFFICE PHONE: 662-842-6082

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship..... 9:00 a.m.
Bible Class ..... 10:10 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Class .....7:00 p.m.

WEBSITE: glosterstreetchurch.com
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FACEBOOK AND YOUTUBE:
Gloster Street church of Christ

www.dayspringtv.com

Sunday at **8:00 a.m.** on **ABC WTVA**
(Comcast Channel 7)

Sunday at **9:00 a.m.** on **WTVA**
(Comcast Channel 6)

Monday – Friday at **6:00 a.m.** & **6:30 a.m.**
and **Sunday** at **8:00 a.m.**
on **MY MS** (Comcast Channel 3)

Searching the Scriptures

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
SuperTalk 101.9 WFTA

Around Gloster Street

WELCOME

It is always a joy to welcome new families to Gloster Street. This past Sunday, January 5, **Joshua and Kylie Miles** met with our elders and expressed their desire to be part of our church family. We are thankful for the opportunity to worship and serve our Lord together, and we welcome Josh and Kylie to Gloster Street. Their address is as follows:

989 Lakeshire Drive
Tupelo, MS 38804

2025 CONGREGATIONAL READING LIST

THEME: WHO WE ARE

JANUARY
Followers—Exodus

FEBRUARY-MARCH
Believers—John

APRIL
Members of the Body—1 Corinthians

MAY
Recipient of God's Grace—Joshua

JUNE-JULY
Individuals in Need of Direction—Jeremiah

AUGUST
The Family of God—Ephesians

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER
Overcomers—Revelation

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER
Thankful—Psalms

May God Bless You All!

Chad Ramsey

NOTE FROM THE ELDERS: We received a thank-you note with photos from the Biltmore church of Christ in Asheville, NC. It has been placed on the bulletin board for all to read. We are also expecting a letter that will be displayed on the bulletin board. This additional information was relayed to us last week: "We received your generous donation. We thank you very much. I met yesterday with a lady who lost her husband in the storm. He drowned. She has two young children, and she is pregnant. Very sad. But thanks to gifts like yours I was able to pay her rent and give her money to pay bills. On Friday I met another mother who was behind on rent due to missing work, and we paid her rent and money for her past due power bill. So, know that your donation is allowing us to continue helping and inviting them to worship and pray with them."

THE CAUSE OF CHRIST AT TUPELO, MISS.

By W. H. Owen (*Gospel Advocate* - February 4, 1915)

Apostolic Christianity unmixed with human opinions and the "precepts of men " is not popular in this part of the country. Most of the churches are under the influence of the "society," and many good people have never learned the difference between the Bible way and the State Board way. The writer was called by the Tupelo church to preach for them during 1914. I responded to the best of my ability. Some heard the truth gladly; others became very much offended because their unscriptural practices were condemned and the church decided to abolish from its worship organs, societies, and such things. As the year drew to a close, this element undertook to rid the congregation of "anti-ism" and get a preacher of their own kind and liking. Without consulting the elders, some, assuming to themselves authority, arbitrarily dissolved the organization, reorganized the congregation after the "digressive" fashion, and forbade the two elders, with a considerable number, including some of the best people in the church, to hold their regular worship in the house.

We were thus forced to do one of four things: (1) cease to worship God at all; (2) worship according to the doctrines and "precepts of men," which Jesus says is "vain" worship (Mark 7: 7); (3) enter into a shameful squabble for the privilege to worship in the house, from which we had been forcibly ejected by this self-constituted authority; or (4) quietly withdraw to some place where we can in peace worship God according to his directions. In choosing the last course we realize that we have not followed the dictates of human passion, but we believe we have done the only thing we could do that is right and the only thing that will reflect the spirit of our blessed Master. Hence it is our purpose to worship at the courthouse till better and more convenient quarters can be secured. Brethren spending Sunday in Tupelo can find as earnest and loyal a little band of worshipers at the above-named place as can be found anywhere in the State. The writer will labor with the congregation during 1915, being with them two Sundays in the month.

The fight for apostolic Christianity is on in this section, and we propose to push it with all the vigor possible. Let us have the cooperation of faithful brethren in this territory. I expect to spend some time next summer in this part of Mississippi. The field is ready, and I believe much good can be done in our Master's name.

—JUST FOR FUN—

True or False from Genesis 2

_____ 1. Genesis 2 tells of a second creation.

_____ 2. Genesis 2 explains in more detail the creation in Genesis 1.

_____ 3. God rested because he had exhausted himself.

_____ 4. God resting means he ceased working.

_____ 5. In the early days of the earth it did not rain, but a mist watered the earth.

_____ 6. Man was allowed to eat of every tree in the garden.

_____ 7. Man was not allowed to eat from the apple trees.

_____ 8. Man's job was to dress and keep the garden.

_____ 9. God had Adam name the animals, hoping he could find a companion among them.

_____ 10. Woman was formed out of man to be his companion.

_____ 11. Genesis 2:24 shows that marriage was to be permanent.

Last Week's Answers: 1. 10, 2. 7, 3. 7, 4. 5, 5. 3, 6. 4, 7. 2, 8. 6, 9. 7, 10. 8.

—ANNOUNCEMENTS—

- Our **First Wednesday Fellowship Meal** will take place in the annex on the second **Wednesday, January 8,** from 6:00-6:45. The cost is $5 for those over 12.
- The **Area-Wide Youth Meeting** will be held **Sunday, January 12**, at East Main-Tupelo at 5:00. The van will leave at 4:30.
- **Kids for Christ** will meet **Sunday, January 12**, at 5:30 in the annex.
- The fifth of eight classes of the **Enrichment Workshop with James Segars: A Survey of the Old Testament** will be held **Monday night, January 13**, from 6:30-8:00 in Room 213.
- The **Junior Bible Bowl** will be held at Antioch church of Christ at 2:00 on **Sunday, January 19.**
- The **Prime-Timers** will meet in the annex for a meal and fellowship following evening services on **Sunday, January 19**. The main dishes will be provided and include grilled chicken and pulled pork barbecue. Please take desserts and drinks.
- Our **2025 Care Group Kickoff** will be in the annex for all care groups following evening services on **Sunday, January 26**. The menu is Favorite Foods (main dishes, sides, & desserts).
- Please contact the office for assistance in signing up for our **church app** or our **digital church directory**. Please submit updated information or photos to the office at any time.

ELDERS

Paul Callens 620-9814
Branyan Johnson.....321-3331
Greg Jones 419-1269
Monte Key 791-1664
Gary Martin 322-9160
James Segars 842-8227
Wayne Washington 840-0772

DEACONS

Louis Cervantes — Rusty Palmer
Travis Cornelius — Carlton Plunk
George Heath — Dennie Smith
Tony Milam — Steve Walden

MINISTERS

Chad Ramsey, Cason Pearce, Brian Galloway

CHURCH OFFICE

Michelle Plunk, Secretary

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OUR RECORD

Worship AM 280 (105*)
Bible Classes.....233
Worship PM.....160 (79*)
Wednesday AM & PM 167 (64*)
*Livestream views as of 1/8
Contribution.....$18,431
Weekly Budget.....$21,500

Church App

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Please check the lobby bulletin boards for more information or scan the QR codes.

Website

Jan. 8 (6-6:45) ..... First Wednesday Meal/Annex/$5 over 12
Jan. 12 (5:30) .....Kids for Christ/Annex
Jan. 12 (van 4:30)..... Area-Wide Youth Meeting/East Main-Tupelo
Jan. 13 (6:30-8:00).....Enrichment Workshop with James Segars
Jan. 19 (2:00) .....Junior Bible Bowl (Antioch)
Jan. 19 (7:00) .....Prime-Timers/Annex
Jan. 26 (7:00) .....Combined Care Group Kickoff/Annex

VISITORS MAY SCAN THE WEBSITE QR CODE TO ACCESS AND FILL OUT A VISITOR CARD ONLINE.

—APPOINTMENTS—

JANUARY CONTRIBUTION DUTY

Carlton Plunk, Dennie Smith,
Mike Burleson, Cooper Burleson

JANUARY FLOWERS

Peggy Engel, Melanie Williams

JANUARY GREETERS

Greg & Marsha Jones

JANUARY USHERS/SECURITY TEAM

Bradley Williams, Travis Cornelius,
Burt Griffin Brad Hilliard

—PRAYER LIST—

GS MEMBERS: Thomas & Beth Aderholt, Paul & Wanda Burleson, Eric Cooperwood, Stuart Creech, Gina Edwards, Larry Graves, Mary Hallman, Houston Kiste, Tim Nelson, Anthony Washington

GS LONG-TERM, MILITARY, AND CARE FACILITIES (Addresses on bulletin board):

- Parker Bell (military)
- Marie Crowe—Manor on Lawndale, Rm. 302
- Madeline Lamon—North MS Regional Center
- Sonny Vinson—Rosewood, Rm. 16

GS HOMEBOUND: Anthony & Arminda Washington, Mike Wilson, Robert Windham

GS FAMILY & FRIENDS - LONG-TERM, MILITARY, OR CARE FACILITIES:

Garland Anderson, Shirley Armstrong, Carlin Beard, Ken Burleson, Sherry Draper, Jan Edmunds, Randy Evans, Lyndell Fikes, Craig Ford, Carson Fowler, Angela Hayes, Dana Hitt, Linda Hood, Cecil Johnson, Brenda Kennedy, Chad Kennedy, Jared Kizer, Linda Maxwell, Sonna Mims, Richard Mitchell, Curt Mize, Carolyn Morris, Vivian Mullen, Jo Putney, Marilyn Russell, Jamey Stanford, Caleb Timmons, Nell Tucker, Shoneel Walker, Daniel Washington, Caroline Willis

JANUARY 12, 2025

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Reading..... Ethan Benefield
Scripture.....Genesis 1:26-27
Song Director.....Clyde Mize
Opening Prayer ..... Terry Smith
Communion .....Tim Davis
Contribution.....Marty Rowe
Sermon.....Chad Ramsey
Closing Prayer.....Mitchell Speed

SUNDAY EVENING

Reading.....Cooper Burleson
Song Director..... Chris Hallmark
Opening Prayer ..... Rusty Palmer
Sermon.....Chad Ramsey
Closing Prayer..... Brian Herndon

SUNDAY NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Worship AM ..... Melanie and Lynden Williams
Bible Study .....Jazmin Poe, Samantha Raines
Worship PM..... Janet and Gabrielle Smith

JANUARY 15, 2025

WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Song Director..... Windell Fikes
Speaker .....Carson Heath
Closing Prayer..... Derek Russell

WEDNESDAY NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Sheree Walden