



GLOSTER STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
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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.

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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

Gloster Street

MESSANGER

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Around Gloster Street

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Allison Wiginton..... 3	Jane Audrey Anderson..... 15
Jazmin Poe..... 4	Liza Fletcher 15
Liza Williams 4	Glenda Muse..... 16
Joseph Willis 5	Leah Bridges..... 17
Caleb Duffie 7	Dave Carpenter 17
Larry Howerton..... 7	Leah Johnson 21
Stacy Spearman..... 7	Jan Ford 22
Sadie-Ruth Anderson 9	Cindy Swann..... 22
Boyd Brumley 9	Rusty Palmer..... 23
Virginia Miller..... 9	Janet Smith 23
Ally Willis 10	Diane Parker 25
Susan Grubbs..... 11	Zac Tucker..... 26
Kathleen Marshall 11	Peggy Hayes 27
Melinda Lamon 12	Kaitlin Kennedy..... 27
Donna Castles..... 13	John Hodges 28
Evie Drew Chism 13	Mark Wilson 29
Marsha Jones 13	Callan Elkin 30
Sky Ray 13	Doris Mobley..... 31
Melanie White 14	

AN UPDATE FROM GHANA...

We are thankful for physical improvements being made in Ghana. Brother **Ken Kesse** reports that work is progressing on the roofs of the three church buildings we are helping with this year: Bono Manso, Jema, and Jema Nkwanta. In addition to these improvements, plans are being made to begin drilling new wells in October, when the water level will be suitable.

As thankful as we are for these good things, we are even more thankful for the spiritual progress being made in Ghana. Brother Ken reports that the congregation in Sunyani recently installed both elders and deacons. Please keep brother Ken, brother **Alex Karikari**, and other faithful brethren in your prayers.

May God Bless You All!

Chad Ramsey

WHO IS THE GREATEST?

by Chad Ramsey

The disciples of Jesus were not immune to a problem that plagues so many in our world today—pride. According to Mark’s account, Jesus’s disciples “disputed among themselves who would be the greatest” (9:34). Why this conversation ever occurred is not specified in the text. Regardless, the disciples did not readily offer details about this discussion when the Lord asked about it. Instead, they asked: “Who then is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” (Matthew 18:1).

Upon hearing this question, Jesus took the occasion to teach a valuable lesson. Thus, “He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, ‘If anyone desires to be first, he shall be last of all and a servant of all’” (Mark 9:35). Rather than singling out one individual as being greater than the others, He stressed the importance of servitude—something the disciples saw the Lord model firsthand (see John 13:2-17).

To illustrate His point, Jesus then “called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven’” (Matthew 18:2-3). His point was that the greatest would not be the one His disciples supposed. Given the status of children in the first century, Jesus could hardly have chosen a more appropriate way to convey this truth. We can only imagine how the disciples reacted to this object lesson!

Besides their unlikely status, children possessed humility (Matthew 18:4)—a trait sorely needed among those who dispute about greatness. Thus, Jesus taught that those who would be great must learn humility. This reminds us of James 4:10: “Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.”

Given Jesus’s admonition, we should seek to imitate the good qualities of children if we desire to please God. Indeed, we should also support and encourage those who do likewise. As Jesus noted: “Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me” (Matthew 18:5). The reference here is to individuals possessing the qualities of children, not necessarily to those who are young. Conversely, to refuse those who are childlike and harm them is to commit great sin (verses 6-7). Christians must seek to avoid being the source of strife. As Romans 14:13 states: “Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother’s way.”

—JUST FOR FUN—

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FROM EXODUS 31:

1. Who built the furniture of the temple?
2. What was his tribe?
3. How did he have the wisdom and knowledge to craft the furniture?
4. Who helped him?
5. What was he given?
6. Why were they to keep the sabbath?
7. What happened if one defiled the sabbath?
8. What was not to be done on the sabbath?
9. What was the sabbath day (6 days of work, one day of rest) based on?
10. What was given to Moses when he finished speaking with him?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS: 1. Shittum wood (probably another name for Acacia, a desert tree; 2. 18 inches wide and broad, 36 inches tall; 3. Before the veil between the holy and most holy place; 4. A 'ransom' for his own soul; 5. A half shekel; 6. 20 years and older; 7. Brass; 8. Washing of the priests before ministering; 9. Myrrh, cinnamon, calamus, cassia, olive oil; 10. Used it to anoint and sanctify what was used to minister to God.

—ANNOUNCEMENTS—

- The **Poe Care Group** will meet in the annex for a meal and fellowship following evening services on **Sunday, August 2**. The menu is chicken dishes, sides, drinks, and desserts.
- Our **First Wednesday Fellowship Meal** will be held in the annex from 6:00-6:45 p.m., on **Wednesday, August 5**. The cost is \$5 for those over 12. The menu is pulled pork, potato salad, slaw, and desserts. The link to RSVP was sent to our members.
- The **Rowe Care Group** will meet in the annex for a meal and fellowship following evening services on **Sunday, August 9**. The menu is chicken dishes, sides, drinks, and desserts.
- The **Kids for Christ** (Pre-K - 4th grade) & **Club 5-6** (5th & 6th grades) **Kickoff** for the school year will be in the annex on **Sunday, August 16**, at 11:00 a.m. There will be a provided lunch and a service project. There will also be a brief informational meeting about the family retreat.
- The **Prime-Timers** will meet for a meal and fellowship in the annex following evening services on **Sunday, August 23**. More details to follow.
- Please contact the church office for assistance in signing up for our *two apps*—our **Church App** and our **Instant Church Directory**. You may submit updated directory information or photos to the office at any time.

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DEACONS

Louis Cervantes	Carlton Plunk
Travis Cornelius	Marty Rowe
George Heath	Dennie Smith
T.K. Hollingsworth	Aaron Spearman
Tony Milam	Steve Walden
Rusty Palmer	Bradley Williams

MINISTERS

Chad Ramsey, Cason Pearce, Brian Galloway

CHURCH OFFICE

Michelle Plunk, Secretary

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Worship PM 213 (47*)
Wednesday AM/PM 295 (61*)
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Weekly Budget \$23,000

Church app



MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Please check bulletin boards for more info or scan QR
codes (app on left for events; website calendar on right).

Website



August 2 (7:00).....Poe Care Group/Annex
August 5 (6-6:45) First Wednesday Meal/Annex/\$5 over 12
August 9 (7:00)..... Rowe Care Group/Annex
August 16 (11:00)..... KFC & Club 5-6 Kickoff/Annex
August 23 (7:00)..... Prime-Timers/Annex

SCAN WEBSITE QR CODE TO FILL OUT ONLINE VISITOR CARD.

—APPOINTMENTS—

AUGUST USHERS/SECURITY TEAM

Louis Cervantes, David Bridges, Zachary
Bridges, Chase Cervantes, Carson Heath

AUGUST CONTRIBUTION DUTY

Carlton Plunk, Bradley Williams,
Andrew Wall, Derick Young

AUGUST GREETERS

Louis and Suzanne Cervantes

AUGUST FLOWERS

Marsha Jones, Cari Rowe

—PRAYER LIST—

GS MEMBERS: Kathy Davis, Tim Nelson
(Diversicare/D9), Hannon Ray, Eddie White, Larry Wood,
Adam Wortham

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

- ♦ Parker Bell (military/Active Duty/ Middle East/USS Mason)
- ♦ Madeline Lamon—North MS Regional Center
- ♦ Sonny Vinson—Mitchell Center

GS HOMEBOUND: Thomas & Beth Aderholt, Anthony
& Arminda Washington, Mike Wilson (radiation), Robert
Windham

GS FAMILY & FRIENDS: Mickey Bailey, Carlin Beard,
Ken Burleson, Relda Castles, Mandi Cofer, Kayla Collins,
Reah Cristadoro, Mike Crump, Jerry Dees, Sherry Draper,
Lyndell Fikes, Craig Ford, Carson Fowler, Jennifer
Groover, Angela Hayes, Wayne Howell, Edward Irby,
Jared Kizer, Peggy Leonard, Brenda Little, Jackie Little,
Phillip McMillian, Dena Miles, Richard Mitchell, Curt
Mize, Eddie Mooney, Gael & Carolyn Morris, Glenn
Ramsey, Wayne Ray, Joyce Robinson, Holly Stout, Peggy
Tidwell, Nell Tucker, Bobby Wages, Scott Walden, Daniel
Washington, Sue Weeks, Christine Wicker, George Wills

August 2, 2026

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Reading.....Asher Bass
Scripture Luke 9:33-36
Song DirectorSteve Walden
Opening Prayer..... Jeff Collums
Communion Rusty Palmer
Contribution..... Tim Davis
Sermon..... Chad Ramsey
Closing Prayer T.K. Hollingsworth

SUNDAY EVENING

Reading..... Jake Franklin Ramsey
Song Director Taylor Walden
Opening Prayer..... Travis Cornelius
Sermon..... Chad Ramsey
Closing Prayer Spencer Johnson

SUNDAY NURSERY ATTENDANTS

Worship AM..... Lanie White, Melanie White
Bible StudyKristie Webb, Angel Wiginton
Worship PMJenna Wortham, LaShae Wortham

August 5, 2026

WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Song DirectorPhilip Crowe
Speaker Cody Poe
Closing Prayer Jeremy Archer

WEDNESDAY NURSERY ATTENDANT

Mary Charles Bridges