

# Those Who Serve

## December 27

**Opening Prayer** Joe Holloway  
**Song Leader** Kwesi Garvin  
**Communion** John Story  
**Assist** Olan Bacon  
**Assist** Joe Burnsed  
**Dismiss Services** Kwesi Garvin

## January 3

John Story  
 Joe Burnsed  
 Olan Bacon  
 Joe Burnsed  
 Kwesi Garvin  
 Charles Hall

## *New Year's Eve (2 Years Ago)*

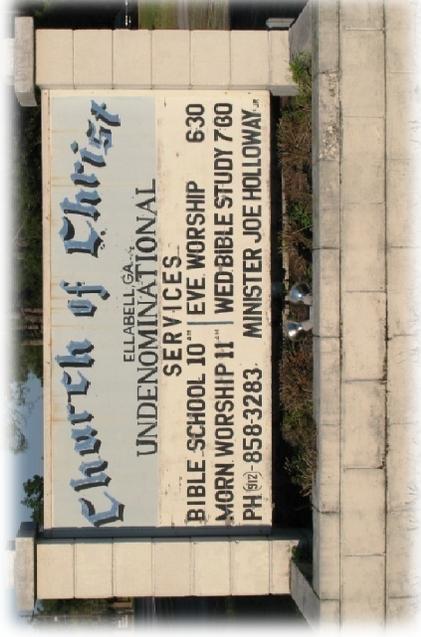


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## Speaking Where The Bible Speaks; Silent Where The Bible Is Silent

December 27, 2009



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Dear Family,

There is a right time for everything and it is time for us to let you know about all that has happened in the last two months with the Lord's work, and the family and our present situation with our support.

In October we were still trying to catch up with our mail, Bible correspondence courses, e-mail, and all that needed my attention in regard to the church work.

In regard to my home Bible studies with Franck and Liva, they are going well and Franck is really growing spiritually and making effort to learn more. I also started a Bible study with Keo on Wednesday afternoons, until the Wednesday night Bible class. My studies by internet with the Khabyl woman from Algeria are doing well. Now she is questioning about the denomination she attends and especially in regard to the speaking and praying in tongues.

The one problem most people that belong to those denominations go more by feeling than by the Scripture. One day she asked me the following "Do you think that I go by my feelings?" I replied "Yes, most of the time you are , and also stressed the fact that in regard to God she needed to rely more in God's word than her feelings." She appreciated my honesty and told me that it was true.

In October we had Brady Smith and his wife Stephanie from the Lord's Church in Lausanne. He held two meetings for us. It started on Saturday afternoons and went through Sunday evening worship. The subjects were "The Christian and Hospitality, and "The Christian and Love for each other and the lost of the world." Everyone enjoyed the classes.

November 11<sup>th</sup>, 60 members from the congregation went to the annual retreat of the churches of the North in Lille. We were the largest group present, from what we heard.

Rose and I did not go because of Gabrielle's hospitalization with H1N1, pneumonia and bronchiolites. We are thankful unto God and to all of you who have prayed for her and the fact that God has answered all of our prayers. She is home and doing better except for bronchitis.

Everyone that we asked about the retreat they say that they enjoyed the retreat and one surprise guest was present, it was Brother Dale McAnulty former missionary to Lille, France, He just finished several years of mission work in Roumania, and now is returning to the states.

Rose and I and several of the families of the congregation were invited to the Dedeysans home for thanksgiving lunch! I fixed homemade Pumpkin pies. We surely enjoyed our fellowship with everyone and of course all the good food that everyone prepared.

Next month I am planning to go the preacher retreat, since I missed last retreat because of sickness. I have been finishing my French PowerPoint presentation on the book of Revelation and have started another one, titled "The History of the Church through the Centuries".

Here is our financial situation so far. In my last month's report I mentioned that we have lost so far all together \$2833.33 but we will picked up in January \$500 and another \$200 per month, so that would make a total of \$1850 per month, but as of this month we heard that one congregation will cut off their support from \$1165 per month to \$500 in 2010 and another one will stop their support of \$300 at the end of December 2010. So what those it mean? In reality for 2010 we will still be short of \$1950 per month, and this does not include the lost because of the weakness of the Dollar over the exchange rate and neither the inflation and increase of the cost of living.

We are still trusting that God will provide, so we can continue to spread the gospel in the French world.

Thank you for your continual love and care and may God continue to bless you.

In His service Roland.

*Email from Cameroon (Rec'd Dec 22, 2009)*

Hello sir,

Season's greetings once more. I write to relate the news of my family's safe return to Cameroon. Sister Lami and Providence together with two of the four orphans arrived last Saturday evening. The long and tortuous journey finally ended in a very wonderful family reunion. Providence is okay with the mother. Kargwak and Blessing, the two orphaned boy and girl respectively, are somewhat okay except for the communication barrier the exist between me and them as a result of their inability to speak the English language. I'm very sure that in a short time, say, one year , they will be able to understand basic English. I will send their pictures to you when my report will be coming. Thanks for your prayerful concern.

Love

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Save –Labels, Food Pantry Items, Change Jar, Cans, Medicine Bottles**

**New Year's Eve- Thursday, December 31**

**Meetings-Our Business Meeting and Ladies' Meeting will be tonight after evening worship services.**

*Email from Nigeria (Rec'd Dec 23, 2009)*

**The Ellabell Church of Christ,**

**Ellabell, GA.**

**Dear Brethren,**

**Greetings to you all. It is a festive season, and the minds of people are high.**

**Our spirit is high for the Lord. We appreciate you for all you kindness to us throughout this year. Your continuous prayers for us have been a great encouragement to us. We would not have gone anywhere if not the Lord using you to spear head and fund the mission in Africa. The success of the work in Nigeria and Cameroon is because of your sacrifice. We appreciate you dearly. At the end of the year like this, it is a time we can look back how far we have gone, and look forward on where God will lead us to. God has really done great work among us. Please, know that we are so grateful. You are the cause of our success for Christ in Africa. We wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Believing that God who have brought us thus far, we see us to greater height to His Glory. Once again, thank you.**

**Grace and Peace,**

**Tom**