

# THE ENON ECHO

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**Enon's Weekly Schedule**

Sundays:

- Sunday School 9:45am
- Worship 11:00am
- Choir Practice 4:00pm

Wednesdays:

- Fellowship Meal 6:00pm
- Bible Study 6:45pm
- Wednesday Night
- Prayers 7:45pm

**ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE PASTOR**

We are feeling really blessed as 2014 comes to a close. God has been so good to Enon Baptist Church. We were blessed to know Him and to make Him known this year.



We had a great month of missions giving, special worship services, special music, and wonderful testimonies. The Hanging Of The Greens Service was over the top this year, in a very good way. The Christmas Party was...well, what happens at the party stays at the party.

Our Choir did a magnificent job of creating a meaningful worship of Christ with their Christmas Cantata. Dr. Denton set the bar high for all future choir efforts. I want to personally thank the large team of volunteers who put so much effort into their music and so much heart into their effort. The practices with people at the piano, keyboard, and sound system displayed splendid teamwork. I want to personally thank the congregation for supporting all these special services. You came and you brought guests and family with you.

The final worship service of the year was blessed beyond measure when Kenny and Tammy Keith joined the Enon Church Family. What a joy to see them respond to God's leading and come forward to make their decision known. Welcome to Enon! For a long time we have enjoyed their regular attendance at Sunday and Wednesday services. Most of you know exactly where they live because they are living in Enon's rental house near Taylor Hall.

We lost Bob and Jeanne Watson. Well we didn't really lose them because we know they are in South Carolina. Bob served faithfully as a Deacon and on the Discipleship Team. He also filled in wherever needed, like teaching the Men's Class. He touched all of our lives with his Christian commitment and big heart. I will always remember his great sense of humor and big, generous heart!

I am pleased the congregation elected Toby Wells to serve as our new Deacon starting this year. Toby has served as a Deacon at Enon years ago. He knows the ropes and he knows the people. Pray for Toby as he places himself under God's leadership to serve the Lord and the Church.

All the men and boys are encouraged to take an active part in a special worship service on January 25. We call it Men's Day In Worship. You can volunteer to give a testimony, lead a prayer, read scriptures, lead the Huddle, sing, or bring a message. We want to see the men leading that day!

I am so proud of those who have completed reading part or all of the Bible this year. Now is the perfect time to start reading the Bible every day. God will bless you beyond your imagination!

*Serving with you, Pastor Glenn*

### Nine Things I Most Desire For the Enon Baptist Church Choir Members in 2015

As I begin a new year of ministry, I find myself needing to be reminded of some key values related to my calling and ministry here at Enon. Maybe you will relate to this list and possibly change, replace and/or add to it? One can substitute "church members" for choir members and "Church" for choir if not in the choir.

1. **Choir Members Love Being in the Choir:** This may seem like an understatement, but I have learned that it is foundational that we create a culture where people love being a part of the choir.
2. **Choir Members Love One Another and Serve One Another:** The choir is the only organization in the local church that contains people of all ages and backgrounds. Unlike Sunday School classes, Bible Studies and/or small groups where people join based on age, marital status, or other commonalities. The Choir draws from the entire church-*a church within a church*-all the more reason that we must create an environment where love for and service to one another are clearly evident.
3. **Choir Members To Pray For Me (Because I Need It!):** This is huge! I can't lead the music ministry and worship services without their prayer support. When a person prays for another person, they invest of themselves into that person. They hold that person accountable. The music ministry will only be as strong as the prayer support of their leader.
4. **Choir Members View Their Involvement In The Choir As A Calling:** In Rory Noland's book, "The Heart of The Artist", he articulates the difference between being "called" and "volunteering". We are called, in the choir, to lead the church in worship. This is a privilege and of the highest calling!
5. **Choir Members Put More Into The Choir Than They Could Ever Imagine Receiving From It:** You hear individuals in the Choir say that they get way more out of the choir than they put into it because they are consistently "pouring themselves" into what they do!
6. **Choir Members To Love and Pray For The People They Lead In Worship Each Week:** It's one thing to stand before the congregation "on display" each week. It is a whole different thing to truly love and pray specifically for the people we lead in worship each week. I pray that our choir members will pray for a specific person in our church congregation each week. Conversely, I hope individuals in our congregation will pray for individual choir members each week. (Remember what I said about what happens when a person prays for another person.)
7. **Choir Members To Pray For Our Pastor:** Glenn is our Pastor and the power of prayer is a huge help to him. I hope we will keep him in our thoughts and prayers frequently. Maybe write him a personal note of encouragement or share with him how he has helped you in your walk of faith, etc.
8. **Choir Members To Serve The Church In At Least One Other Area Of Ministry:** Singing and leading the church in worship is one very important thing-serving the church in other areas of ministry shows the unity in the Body Of Christ. Possibly serve, lead, or teach a small group/Bible study/Sunday School class, serve on a committee, etc., As "worship leaders," let's always lead by being servants first! Most members are faithfully wearing many hats of service..... God Bless You!!!!
9. **Choir Members Develop An Appreciation For All Kinds Of Music:** I know we all have our favorite anthems, hymns, choruses, and spiritual songs. God has given us as a choir, the incredible privilege of being able to sing and play the greatest music ever written. Let's challenge and encourage each other to develop an appreciation for all kinds of music-from Southern Gospel to Beethoven, jazz-classical-pop- rock,-blues,-country.....why not?? God created it all!!!!!!

In closing, our choir is awesome, and **yes we are doing these things very well!!!** However, I hope my list will encourage you to think, evaluate, and focus on what we do as a choir and or church. Maybe you might make your own list-I would count it a privilege if you were to share it with me.

*Happy New Year!*

*In Christ,*

*Greg Denton*

## **Ongoing Prayer List:**

These are ongoing prayer concerns. We place a weekly prayer list in the Sunday bulletins. Please call the church office and give us any updates as you become aware of them. Our Church Office phone number is 366-6420. Don't forget these dear souls in your prayers. Thank you.

- John Pflieger, student of Pat Hammond; extreme pain with spine problems.
- Continue to pray for Janice Vest to recover from her surgery on a nerve in her back.
- Aubrey and Ardie Powell.
- Jay Jackson, Lymphoma.
- Phyllis Parr, continued health problems.
- Lewis Black, continued health problems.
- Bob and Jeanne Watson, health problems and guidance.
- Celia Good's nieces with health issues: MacKenzie Kuzlik and Autumn Good-Turney.
- Pray for the baby Gabriel Garcia. This baby was born pre-mature to friends of Debbie Giles. He has had many surgeries and is still in the hospital.
- Emily Elliott. (Cherie Tuck's mother)
- Please keep Joe and Barbara Lively in your prayers.
- James (J.C.) and Shirley Hay. Also, please pray for their daughter Vickie Patram.
- Pray for June's sister Faye.
- Pat Hammond's niece, Kristy Meeks, has a serious illness. Please pray.
- Keep Richard and Diana Morefield, and family in your prayers.
- Kristen Myers, granddaughter of Charlotte Ridenhour, continues to make progress. Praise the Lord!
- Continue to keep Don and Peggy Nixon in your prayers.
- Martha Barnes & Gail Dillon and families. (Pat Hammond's sisters)
- Catherine Campbell, sister of Qavah, has continuing serious health concerns.
- Noah Arnold, 4 years old (request of Tracey Wright)
- Eddy and Jeanie Drost (friends of Celia Good)

As we begin our New Year, please look over our prayer list. If there are any updates, changes, or removals contact the church office or Pastor Glenn for these changes. We want to continue to pray for our church family and friends and distant relatives.

# sharing the GoodNews

## Bible Readers



The following folks have either read the Old Testament or the New Testament or even the entire bible in 2014 and we encourage you to do the same for 2015!

Debbie Giles

Patricia Hammond

Liz Herron

Phyllis Parr

Charlotte Ridenhour

Winsome Smith

## Welcome New Members!

We are excited to have Kenny and Tammy Keith join our church family on Sunday, December 28th. Keith and Tammy live in our parsonage and the address is 7975 Williamson Road, Roanoke, VA 24019 if you would like to send a card.

## LOA/MAGGIE ISELEY SOUP DRIVE FOR SENIORS

The Ministries Team encourages the church to contribute cans of soup and boxes of crackers to support the annual LOA/Maggie Iseley Soup For Seniors Drive. This helps to serve seniors in our community through our local (LOA) area agency.



Maggie had a heart for this ministry and loved serving seniors. She encouraged us to join in this important mission. We would like to make this effort in memory of her.

We will be collecting non perishable food items in the foyer of the educational entrance of the church. We will deliver them as they arrive. Bring in your donations between the dates of Jan 4th – 25th. Thank you for your ministry!



My Dear Enon Family,

I just want to say Thanks for all the love and support you show me. You are truly the epitome of a loving group of God's Children. Although I don't know some like I know others - you are very special.

Thanks for the gift of money and book of hymn stories.

~ Charlotte Ridenhour

Merry Christmas and Blessings for physical health and spiritual growth in 2015 !

It was good seeing all of you.

Christmas Love,

~Mel and Faye

A big Thank-YOU to everyone in the Music Ministry for the Christmas Cantata "God With-Us"!!! They were awesome. Wow, they sounded Great and Looked Marvelous in the Church Choir robes. How Blessed we are to have each individual in the Choir to lead and encourage us each week in worship at Enon.

Thank-You, Thank-You,

~Greg Denton

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2014**

November 30.....\$1,740.00
December 7.....\$2,534.00
December 14.....\$2,586.00
December 21.....\$1,615.00
December 28.....\$1,732.00
 Lottie Moon: \$532.00
Total Offerings YTD for 2014: \$108,572.65

Celebrating a January Birthday	
9	Mack Harris
10	Lewis Black
16	Patrick Carrell
17	Thomas Hale
24	Gary Carrell
26	Bertie Padgett
27	Ardie Powell



Sandy and I would like to send a Merry Christmas wish to those at Enon who remember us from 'way back when'.

You have a past pastor and wife who love and pray for the church. We pray for you a warm and wonderful holiday.

Grace and Peace,  
Ray and Sandy Frazier

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*January 2015*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

**Church Winter Weather Policy**

We will only cancel when necessary. You are responsible for your own safety decisions. If winter weather forces us to cancel on a Sunday we will make that decision by 8 AM and list it on the TV church closings list. If the church parking lot is covered with snow or is icy we will cancel. We will go by the Roanoke County school system, if they close we will likely close as well.

If you have doubts feel free to call your pastor or a deacon.



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Our Mission is to transform ourselves and others in the image of Jesus through preaching, teaching, and living the truth of Scripture and by serving the community with an attitude of love and acceptance directed through prayer.



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[www.EnonBaptist.com](http://www.EnonBaptist.com)

the  
**VISION**

**Enon's Annual Vision  
Service**

**Sunday, January 4th**



**MEN AT THE CROSS**

**Men's Day in  
Worship**

Join us as our men lead  
our worship service on  
Sunday, January 25th