

CHURCH OF GOD IN ARKANSAS

CHURCH DIRECTORY 2021

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HE LIFTED ME OUT

I was out on the broad way of sin and despair,
Crushed 'neath my burden of sorrow and care;
My constant companion were trouble and doubt
Till Jesus reached down and lifted me out.

He lifted me out of the deep miry clay;
He settled my feet in the strait narrow way
He lifted me up to a heavenly place
And floodeth my soul each day with his grace.

I was wandering afar from my Savior and home,
Fainting and weary in sin did I roam;
I needed a hand to turn me about
Then Jesus reached down and lifted me out.

I was building my home on the dry shifting sand
Casting my lot in a cold barren land;
"You are doomed now for aye" I heard Satan shout;
But Jesus reached down and lifted me out.

I have started for heaven, my heart filled with song,
Wandering is over, my sins are all gone
Thro' Jesus own blood cleansed within and without,
O praise his dear name! He lifted me out.

Lawrence E. Brooks 1894-



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Greetings to the Church of God in Arkansas. I would like to say thanks to God our Father and to all our churches for allowing me to serve the pastors and the churches in Arkansas. I'm excited about the coming year and what God has in store for us. We have approximately 20 churches across this great state, and I pray that God will lead us to plant more churches where he desires. You are in my prayers daily!

As I reflect on the past years I believe that the Lord allowed me to start in this ministry in the year 2013. How time flies. I give my Heavenly Father all praise and glory for what he has accomplished for us in the last 8 or 9 years. 2020 has been a real challenge for all of us. I believe God has prepared us for these challenges. I believe that we all have come to realize how important the verses in Mark 12:27 - 31 is in our lives, and when we go through challenges such as these along with Matthew 6:37-34, Philippians 4:13, 1st John 4:4 and one of the most important verses in Gods Word for the Family of God is Psalms 46 1-11. Verse 10 "be still and know that I am God" This verse has changed my life forever. The verse continues on and finishes by saying the Lord our God is with us, the God of Jacob is our father. Learning how to be still and know that he is God can be very difficult. Taking time out of our day to meditate on Scripture and be still so we can hear our heavenly Father's voice will be a challenge. We read in Luke 5:16 where Jesus often departs to lonely places to pray and talk with he Father.

As I have studied this I have come to realize that this verse was written in the context of trouble and war, so we need to stop striving and stop fighting,. Liz Auld put it this way "snap out of it, wake up, start fearing and acknowledge who our God is and be in AWE!!" I believe as we go further in our walk with God the best is yet to come.

My prayer for our pastors as they led the churches is to make this commandment "be still and know that He is God" one of the most important teachings as we continue to pursue our heavenly father.

Thank you so much Pastors, and the family of God in Arkansas, for allowing me to serve my God and you as Ministry Director of the Church in Arkansas. It has been a great experience and a privilege for Barbara and I. I will continue to be still and seek God for his direction for this Wonderful state.

Be blessed, your servant in Christ. You are all in my prayers daily.

JAMES P. EUSTACE, II

NEW LIFE CHURCH OF GOD
13721 CHAMBERS ROAD, BAUXITE, AR 72011

INFORMATION HAS BEEN REQUESTED

This information is off the Facebook page

Each Wednesday night , children ages 3-10 meet for our weekly bible study . We have supper every Wednesday night service. We have started 2 services so that children can come early and still get home in time for homework and a decent bedtime.

Sundays at 11:00 a.m. The children have their own praise and worship service. This is for ages 3-10.

On the 2nd Monday, we meet and have a Men's and Ladies meeting. We eat around 6 and the Meeting starts at 6:30. We are reading and studying the books of The power of a praying wife and The power of a praying husband .



NEW SONG COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD

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MISSION STATEMENT: To *Magnify* the Lord through the *Ministry* of His Word in order to *Multiply* the Kingdom through *Maturity* of the believers.



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Morning Service: 10:30 am - regular morning service

Evening Service: 6:00 pm - Old Testament Study

Wednesday Night: 6:00 pm - Bible Study

Children's Church: 11:00 am

Youth Services: none at this time

Any other program

Done regularly: Adult Sunday School Class 9:10 am (meeting online because of Pandemic)

INVITATION TO YOUR CHURCH AND IN-FORMATION ON WHAT YOUR CHURCH PROVIDES FOR THEM.

TEACHING OF THE CHURCH

SHORT HISTORY OF OUR CHURCH,

For many years there were several Church of God people in the Bryant/ Benton area who felt there was a need for a new Church of God in this area. Brother Bert Brown was one of those believers. He had a vision, a dream, but most of all he had a calling to start a church plant in this area.

In August 1991, Bro. Bert Brown and Tony Ellis began meeting to plan for the Bryant Church Planting. These meetings went on for six months. It then seemed the vision had died. The Lord's timing was not right. In the next few years, talk of a new Church of God in the Bryant/Benton area kept surfacing often enough to keep the vision alive. Bro. Brown and Clay Shields began discussions on the church plant in 1996. Again the Lord's time was not now.

Finally on Sunday April 20, 1997, New Song Community Church of God held its first pre-church service. Attendance that day was 13. Over the next few months some 43 different people attended the services at different times. Brother Brown was leading the services and preaching. Kim Brady was leading the song services and Judy Brown was playing the keyboards. On June 8 the church's first baptismal service was held. Brian Brady and Luci Mathus were baptized. Along about this time, Jackie McPherson came onboard and began to work with the children's ministry.

Services at this time were being held in a suite at I-30 West Plaza in Bryant.

In September, the Lord opened the doors and several of those long time believers in this new church plant began attending. On October 5, 1997 we had our first service as an official congregation.

In February 1998 the Lord opened another door for us and we started renting the facilities of The Glory of the Lord Tabernacle on Highway 5, just outside of Bryant.

In March 1999 we moved to Benton and rented suites at a small mall on I-30 by the Congo Road overpass. Bro. Ray Borel came on as Pastor in December 1999. In December 2001 we moved to our present location at 1458 Salem Road in Benton. On March 15, 2009 Bro. Bob Burchfield became Pastor and is still with us today.

GRAPE CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD

7100 HIGHWAY 298, BENTON, AR



PHONE 501-794-0563

EMAIL—

Mission Statement:: Grape Chapel seeks to be a Christ-centered community of believers forming Christ-Centered people that love God and others more each day. We seek to fulfill this purpose through five specific activities that connects us into the Vine (Jesus) 1. Grow through teaching, 2. Reach out, 3. Assemble together 4. Praise God 5. Equip for Service

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School: 9:45am

Morning Worship: 10:45

Childrens Church: 10:45

Sunday Evening: 6:30

Wednesday Evening 6:30

Youth Services, Wed. 6:30

CWC, 2nd Monday at 7:00

Sunshine Ambassadors 1st Monday

We strive to live this out not just in a service on Sunday or Wednesday; but throughout every facet of our lives since that is the expectation for being a Christ follower. Some may see this as a difficult transition from more traditional church environments where faith is seen only in a worship experience once or twice a week.



Pastor Tommy and Athena Walker



History of the Church:

Grape Chapel Church of God was organized and began its existence as a local congregation in the year 1933. However, over ten years was spent in the background work leading up to this event. The first sermon was in the fall of 1922 in a local sawmill camp. Pastor Elmer Hurst was instrumental in organizing the church and was it's first pastor. Some of the first services were held in a brush arbor. A log church was completed in time for the first service held the First Sunday in 1936. This log church was used for ten years. In 1946 a block and stone church was built and has been added to over the years. Grape Chapel is known as a giving church to the local community, the state and to the national and foreign missions.

COMMUNITY PARK CHURCH OF GOD

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Making followers of Christ who experience life in Christ, share the Good News of Christ, and serve with the heart of Christ .

Who We Are - We Are A Non Denominational Church In Bryant, Ar. That Is About Meeting People Where They Are In Life And Helping Them Find Their Way Back To



Pastors KC Graves
and Dianna Graves

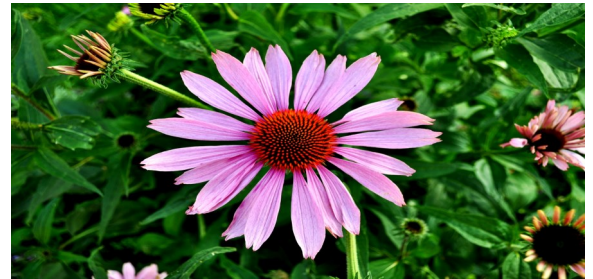
Services Schedule:

Sunday School—Adults 9:00

Morning worship 10:00

Childrens Church 10:00

Wednesday evenings 6:30



Church History, from history given by Russell Holcomb originally

This church was started by evangelist George S. Johnson, who arrived in Little Rock with his Bible, Song Book and his tent. This was about 1903, Brother Johnson preached the message of Justification, Sanctification, the healing of the sick and Unity between all God's children. There was not a permanent place of worship so the church moved where they could find space. In the early 1920' it was on W 18th and a 30x50' building was constructed with a dirt floor and wood stove, later a floor and platform was put in. This church also had a small choir. Later 2 rooms and bath were added for living quarters for the pastors family.

Lawrence Brooks was the pastor in 1917 and penned the old hymn *He Lifted me Out*, he was about 22 at the time. F. L. Hurst and L. C. Cash, Harvey Brooks, E F Brown, Morris Driggers, William Livingston, Kenneth Jones were followed by Ivan Alls, Henry Staggs and Daulton Hutson.

In 1938 a musician named A. L. "Soap" Milliken, known for his trumpet and musical ability started attending and formed a choir, he was an accomplished composer, arranger and instrumental in starting the Arkansas Symphony, he served as choir director from 1938 until his death in 1978. His wife Ruth joined him later, his daughter Nancy is now married to Jerry Riddle.

The church relocated to 12th and Thayer and then purchased property on Frenchman's Lane and built the new sanctuary and classrooms with opening service in Feb. 1972. The new location grew and a gymnasium was added under the leadership of Daulton Hutson. The leadership of Jerry Riddle and Tony Ellis also grew the church and later a Christian school was added for several years .

In 2008 with the congregation losing members due to the location and closing of the school, the decision was to sell the church and purchase new land. The current location of Community Park was purchased in December 2008, and the congregation moved to a small building which was remodeled to meet our needs while the new building was planned and constructed. With 13+ acres the ideas of what we could do was challenging. Dustin Sells was our pastor during most of this time until he resigned to return to Oklahoma City.

Finally, after all the construction was completed under the supervision of a church board the church triumphally marched from the small 'churchett' to our new building on October 10, 2010 for our first service in the new building.

Pastor KC Graves and his wife Dianna, also a pastor, have been leading since being called, and our congregation is growing and expanding to meet the challenges of 2020 and beyond.



Pastor Mike Neal
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Crossett First Church of God

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Service Times

Sunday School	9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 am
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Night Bible Study	6:00 pm

Our history:

After a series of home meetings, the first of which was held in the home of Wesley Lum, the congregation of the First Church of God met for the first public worship service in the old Harris School House in March of 1949 with 41 present. Brother I. Ray Jackson, pastor at Bastrop, LA church served as temporary pastor, assisted by sister Ruby Robinson. Brother E. F. Brown became the first pastor on November 1st, 1949 and started raising funds for a new church building. After raising \$8,000 and borrowing \$10,000 the Crossett Lumber Company donated a frontage of 385 feet on Main Street and donated \$5,000 for the building fund on September 7th, 1951. The old Crossett Health Center building was then purchased and disassembled, the materials were used in the construction of the new church. Thousands of hours of labor were donated, along with contributions from the Bastrop church and other generous friends to make the completion of the church possible. A thriving, exciting church was begun in a pioneer spirit. Many improvements have been made to the building through the years, a family life center (Hughes Hall) was completed in 1975 to accommodate additional ministries. Childrens Church began in 1975, which lead to starting a bus and puppet ministry. In 1977 a Live Nativity was presented for the first time and continues as our gift to the community. The original building served for over 50 years, but in the early 2000's it became apparent that due to the age and other issues a new building was needed. After much prayer and planning construction was begun in January 2006 and a beautiful new facility was dedicated in November 2006. Over the past several years we have made many improvements and purchased a new piano, paved the parking lot, and upgraded where needed.

Even as we celebrate these past 70 years we look forward to the future and are excited about the opportunities for service and reaching out to others in unity as the family of God.

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

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Sunday School 9:30 am

Sunday morning service
10:30

Midweek, Thursday 6:30 pm



First Church of God in El Dorado was started by Pastor Ray D. Elders in 1951. The State Ministry made it a State Project to help support this new work. With the support of the State and a loan from The Board of Church Extension in Anderson, IN, this congregation purchased the 900 block of North Mosby Avenue. Pastor Elders, carpenter by trade, did much of the construction work in erecting the first Sanctuary of their own to Worship in.

Under the leadership of Pastor Dan Harden, a new Sanctuary was completed in 1971, the older Sanctuary was then used as a Fellowship Hall.

One of the earliest members, was Mary Dean Setliff, who will be 98 this year, led Music and Worship for over 40 years. Although, now living in Northwest Arkansas, she is still a vital part of this congregation as her prayers continue to lift up First Church daily. She is still leading people in her Rehab Facility, to know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

We thank the Lord for the leadership of all former Pastors and for the support and leadership of many strong lay-leaders.

Once again, the Arkansas State Ministry has taken First Church of God in El Dorado as a project with financial help and prayer. This time a project for revitalization. Retired Pastor Bert Brown and his wife Judy were pulled out of the moth balls and accepted the Interim position in November, 2019, until the congregation could be built back up where they could afford the support a permanent pastor.

Although with 2020 and the Covid-19, it has been difficult to do extensive outreach. But this small group of Believers have bonded together in the Love of Jesus, and believe in time the Lord will open the doors and that the best is yet to come.

(Word from Bro. Bert Brown)

The Lord has blessed us with a beautiful Sanctuary, known as the Church with the "Open Windows." I believe that as we practice "Open Hearts," loving all people, along with our, long-standing policy of "Open Doors," we are multi-racial, we have "Open Arms" to everyone. If we "plant" and "water," the LORD WILL GIVE THE INCREASE!

CARRIE STREET CHURCH OF GOD

CARRIE AND LINDEN STREETS, GURDON, AR 71743

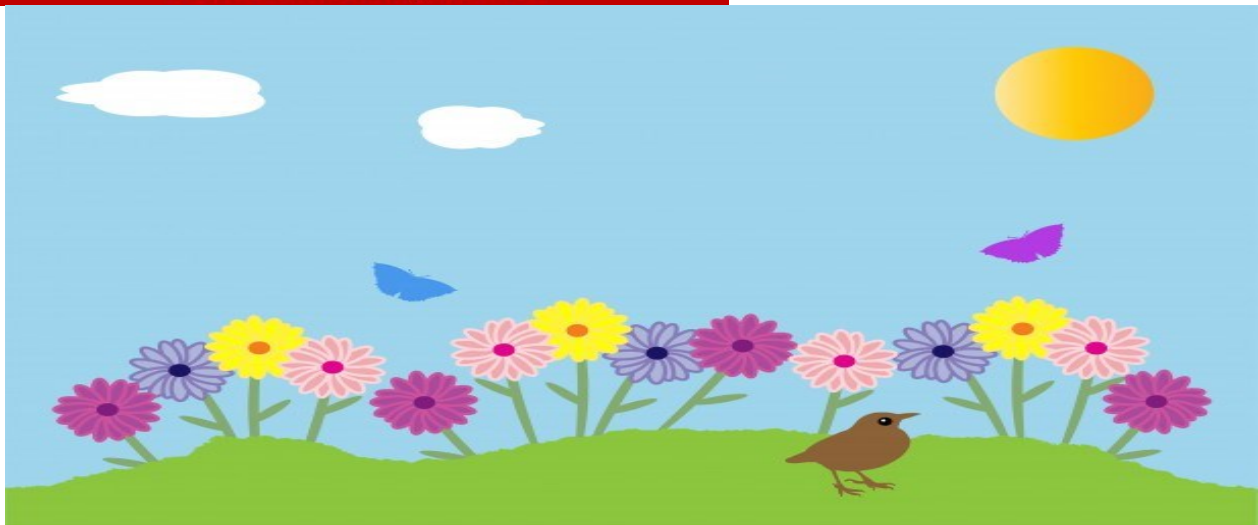
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**MISSION STATEMENT He will teach us of his ways and we will walk in his paths.
Isaiah 2:3 KJV**

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Service 11:00 am

Other services as announced.





EVERGREEN CHURCH OF GOD

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MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION STATEMENT: Becoming a family of passionate followers of Jesus Christ, experiencing His fullness, and sharing the hope of the gospel with the world around us. !

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

9:30 Adult Sunday School,

10:30 worship Services (Childrens church during this message)

Sunday Evening: 6:00 (special events/Bible studies

COMMUNITY PANTRY OF GURDON, 3rd Monday 12:3:00.



PASTOR KEVIN AND ALESA SIMS.

Our History:

The First Church of God in Gurdon began when God planted a seed in the heart of Bro. A. B. (Alvin) Mizell. He had pastored a church in Louisiana and worked for Missouri-Pacific Railroad before transferring with MOP to Gurdon. In the late Forties, Bro. and Sis. Mizell started the church with services being held in their homes. Later a building was built on Main Street in Gurdon. Bro. Mizell rode his bicycle handing out tracts and Gospel Trumpets while inviting people to hear the Gospel. He had an older truck that he built plywood sideboards upon and painted "Children brought up in Sunday School are seldom brought up in court." He put benches in the back and began picking up people for church. He truly had a heart for God's people, the poor, and children (small children to teenagers). The truck was packed each Sunday for services.

The church continued serving God and reaching out to people to spread His Word. Several pastors served the church and services were held twice on Sunday and on Wednesday night. The church enjoyed Revivals, Music Schools, and occasionally Gospel Singings on Sunday afternoon to a packed crowd. Homecoming services were observed the first Sunday in October with a large attendance. The kids and youth had Christmas and Easter plays and programs each year. Christmas Sacks (apple, orange, peppermint stick and bubble gum) were given to everyone. On Easter, the church always had a picnic and egg hunt. In 1962 AP&L purchased the building and land on Main Street, and the church and parsonage were moved to 7190 Highway 67 South. Classrooms and a fellowship hall were added to the church, and a couple of times renovations were done. A new sanctuary was built and dedicated in 1988. A new fellowship hall and classrooms were added soon afterwards.

In 2007 the church voted to change the name to Evergreen Church but still remains a part of the Church of God (Anderson, Indiana). Gurdon is located in the heart of the timber industry, and the church is near the Gurdon Lake so we chose Evergreen Church from Jeremiah 17: 7-8. Through the years, the Children and Youth Ministries on Wednesday nights have been one of the main outreach programs of the church. We first purchased a sixteen-passenger van, filled it to capacity, and then to running over. Later, two extra vans were purchased. Many of these young people do not attend on Sundays but are very faithful on Wednesday nights. Any child or youth is welcome, and we are blessed to be able to plant a seed in their hearts, feed them, and love them.

Another ministry of the Church is the Community Pantry of Gurdon. We partner with the Arkansas Food Bank where monthly supplies of food are purchased to help struggling families in Gurdon. Once a month, we serve around 170 families. Other churches in the area contribute each month along with special donors. Various people from churches and organizations help in the distribution of food. This ministry began in 2012, and since then, the church purchased a large building in downtown Gurdon and began tearing down and remodeling it. Much of the work is complete, but there are a few more projects to finish. The building has a large seating area, kitchen, rooms, and restrooms.



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Hot Springs, AR 71913

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MISSION STATEMENT We're spreading the Hope of Christ by being the hands & feet of Jesus to the unchurched families of our community.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

10:30 a.m. service, in person and Facebook Live



Pastor Terry and Kathy Arington

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH OF GOD

2658 OLD BERGMAN ROAD, HARRISON, AR 72601

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The purpose of CrossRoads Community Church is to be a Christ-Centered Church building Christ-Centered people through Worship, Bible Study, Friendship and Compassion.

This purpose that guides everything we do. We desire that this vision to be front and center at all times, even if that means that we must not do some things that we could do. Our calling is clear and will continue to guide us into the future.

At CrossRoads we want to connect with you
and you to make this your home.

We offer opportunities to engage for all Ages.

We hope you will be a part of our family.

[Adult Ministry](#), [Student Ministry](#), [Children's Ministry](#)

[Senior Adult Ministry](#), [Hearts to Hands](#)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

We Invite You To Worship With us:

Sunday Morning Worship 8:30am & 10:45am

Sunday School 9:45am

Wednesday Evening Classes 6:00pm

Childrens Church

Youth Services



Pastor Johnny and Lisa Walters,



Pastor Paul Braschler, Associate Pastor

THIS WE BELIEVE:

A statement of beliefs, or a church's theology, is always a difficult proposition. Christians, throughout the ages, have held a wide variety of beliefs, and have often differed in their personal theology. CrossRoads strives to center our beliefs on Jesus Christ and His teachings. To understand our statement of faith, these two pieces are vital:

- We will focus our teaching on the non-debatable principles of scripture while leaving freedom for personal convictions related to non-essential doctrinal issues.



SMITH CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD

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Service Times

Sunday School 9:45 am

Sunday Worship 10:45 am

**Powerhouse Home Groups 5:00 pm,
first Sunday of each month**

**Women's Study, 6:00 pm, second and third
Sunday each month.**

**Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm Fourth and Fifth
Sunday each month.**

Service times for Wednesdays

Youth Services 6:00 pm



Senior Pastor

Shane Matthews

YOUTH TEM

April Matthews

Jennifer Mitchell

Austin Saeler

KIDS CLUB TEAM

Rachel Reaves

Wilton Reeves

Pastor Shane Matthews lives in Kingsland Arkansas with his wife of twenty years April, and their two children, Bella and Little Shane. He is an Ordained Minister of the Church of God Anderson and has his B.S. in Christian Ministries from Mid America Christian University. He has a passion for Jesus Christ, both his life and teachings, and lives to share the good news of Jesus and help disciple His followers.

We are a small, but growing, country church outside Kingsland Arkansas. You will find that our church family is warm, inviting, hospitable, and kind. We truly enjoy seeing new faces and meeting new people! Our passion is to see every believer engaged in the mission of the Church as communicated through Jesus Christ in the "Great Commission" (Matthew 28:19-20) and the "Great Commandments" (Mark 12:30-32). Smith Chapel Church of God is affiliated with The Church of God in Anderson Indiana. Our core beliefs, history, and many other useful pieces of information can be found here <http://www.jesusisthesubject.org>.

EAGLE POINT CHURCH OF GOD

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Pastor Jerry and Nancy Riddle

Mission Statement: **ONE** Counts



New location, Sibley Hole Road and Mablevale Pike,

Pastor Michael and Rachael
Blasingame

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Service – 10:30am on campus

10:30am Online Service on Youtube.com – Eagle Point Church of God
AWOKE Ministries

Youth Services – Wednesday – 6:30pm

All other classes/groups are not meeting at this time due to Covid-19.

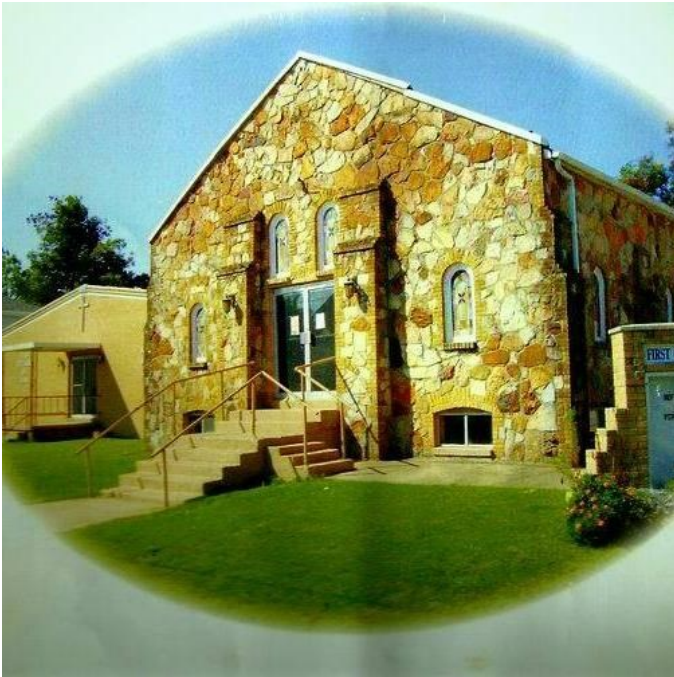
Other classes & groups will return which include: Children's Church, Adult Sunday AM Classes, Children's Sunday School Classes, Women's Bible Study Groups and Men's Bible Study, and monthly church potluck meals.



HISTORY OF CHURCH:

Eagle Point Church of God met for the first time on Sunday, September 17, 2000 at the Otter Creek Clubhouse. We are now meeting in a church facility on the Campus of Southwest Christian Academy as plans are being made to build on our new property at the corner of Mabelvale Pike & Sibley Hole across the street from the new LR Southwest High School.

Eagle Point Church is very warm and welcoming to all who enter our doors. EPC, also, believes in taking the love of God and the Good News of Jesus Christ outside the walls of the church and are very involved in our community.



FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
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Pastor

Services Schedule

Sunday School 9:30
Blended Sunday Service 10:30
Wednesday Services 6:30

OUTDOORS PROGRAM



Our story begins in the spring of 1909, where prayer meetings were being conducted in various homes in Paragould, AR. In August 1909 the various members of those homes joined in a group to hold a two-week revival in a tent on the corner of south 5th Street and West Kingshighway. Two ministers, Rev. W. T Seato and Rev. J. H Ball, conducted the revival in which several people were saved and began worshipping together in one accord. In the fall of that year, Rev. J. H. Ball moved to Paragould to assume pastordship of the group (1909-1924) . The church used a tent during the summer of 1910 to hold their worship services. In 1911 the lot was purchased on the corner of South 6 1/2 street and West locust, where a one room frame building was built. That was the birth of the First Church of God in Paragould, AR. Since then more pastors have come and gone over the years, we are proud to have had the leadership of so many godly pastors. We are now happy to announce that we have a new pastor, Rev. Steven “Billy” Pearson, he has been a member of this church for several years. Many of the elders watched him grow as a Christian. He is doing a great job, especially during this 2020 (Covid-19) pandemic.

We as a body of believers, are looking forward to Pastor Billy Pearson leading us into the future.

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
181 SOUTH TAYLOR, PIGGOTT, AR 72454

Pastor: Gary Laughlin

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Services: 10:45 a.m.

Evening Services: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer Meetings: 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.



We sincerely hope that you already attend church somewhere and that you know the joy, the comfort, and the peace of knowing God. If you do not already attend church. If you do not know the joy and comfort that life has to offer. If you feel alone and unloved and need God in your life. If you want to experience the inner peace that only God can give. Then we would like to take this opportunity to extend an invitation for you to attend our services. We would be excited to have you in our presence. If you wish to contact us you can do so by e-mail, telephone(870-598-9112)

CHURCH HISTORY

First sermon 1922 was preached, congregation established in 1925, the Piggott congregation had its actual beginning as a regular church about the year 1925. Preaching began in the vicinity about 1922, the first actual meeting was held by J R. Tackett, Thomas G. Phillips, Sister McAnally, a Brother Kernnoele. Brother Tackett held the meeting at the courthouse and later he and Brother Kernnoele held a meeting in a brush arbor. The work organizing and starting a congregation was done by Rev Thomas E. Phipps about 1925. The first service was held in an old broom shed at the location where the church now stands. The first building, a frame structure, was built in 1926. B. B. Carvens, a charter member of the congregation took the lead in this building project, and with volunteer help and other sources succeeded in erecting the building, which was then led by Reverend J. B. Brunk. A Popular Bluff, Missouri Pastor preached the Dedication sermon. A local minister Sister Ropha Thrasher had much to do with keeping the church moving during these early days. Sister Thrasher also gave much assistance to other struggling congregations in the state and did a lot of preaching in other local communities. The recent church structure was built during the pastorage of Rev. Estelle Triplett, he served as pastor from 1958 to 1962. He carried on a very successful building campaign which resulted in the nice brick building in which they are now worshipping, It was built on the original lots which were donated when the congregation was launched by L. A. and Goldie Braden. The congregation throughout its history, has been loyal to the general work at Anderson and all the pastors have cooperated wonderfully with our state work. In fact, Piggott had been one of our most active congregations in the state. And following the beginning Pastor Phipps, the church has been served by many notable pastors and currently by Gary Laughlin.

CURRY'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER

606-08 GREENLAWN, PRESCOTT, AR

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MISSION STATEMENT Our mission is to serve the needy, motivate people by teaching them how to grow Spiritually, and teaching others how to help themselves. (Teaching people to help themselves)

The work in Prescott started about 5 years ago with a purpose to help the youth and others within the city, This year a building was donated for use at 606-08 Greenlawn, it's a former grocery store and is large enough For to have two sections, one with a kitchen for activities to do our "Community Feeds" and youth activities and the other half for helping the youth with their studies, teaching about life and how to conduct themselves, encouraging youth in any way possible and doing it with the love of God. We have several ongoing programs to benefit the youth as well as our community beyond the youth. Listing our major focus for our outreach programs.

We appreciate the support of the General Assembly and others who have given to further our work in Prescott.

Community Feed, (Drive Thru) 4th Saturday of each month

Anti-Drug programs working with Harbor House out of Magnolia,

Youth Gatherings with young adults to work with children as scheduled

Doing fun programs for the youth to keep them in church, i.e.: pizza party's, etc.

Teaching about Bullying and how to speak and conduct themselves.

Funding focus is towards programs to help the community

Tutorial program is in plans for the youth.

Library plans to donate laptops for youth to use for their needs

Counseling as a spiritual minister to help others in need of all ages.

As funding / donations come in the plan is to expand the Community

Feed to a weekly basis, we do have support from local businesses for this.

Limitation of funding to cover programs is an ongoing problem.



EXQUISITA PRESENCIA CHURCH

Who are we?

Established in Oct 2014 after receiving a legal recognition from the government by the pastors Bill & Billie Reynolds. Our vision is to renew the thoughts of people through the revealed word. Our pastors Leo and Fanny Chavarria are focused on educating each member of the Church through the word and helping them identify the gifts that God has given to use them for the work of God. We are a church based on the Love of God towards his people and the Church.



We provide classes on the Life of Jesus Christ educating the congregation so that they can fulfill the great mission according to Matthew 18: 28-20. We have several ministries to reach different generations and groups: Children Ministry, Youth Ministry, Marriage Ministry, among others. We have weekly prayer time through morning calls. We offer in-person and virtual services. We have a beautiful Praise Group. Come visit us and we will welcome you with open arms.



Pastors:
Leo Chavarria
Fanny Chavarria



Junior Youth Pastor:
Jonathan Cartagena



Pulpit



Praise Group:

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Jonathan Cartagena (Jr. Pastor - **Juan Sola** - (Praise Group assistant), David Cabrera, Alexis Canales, Emmanuel Perez, Wualter Cruz, Joshua Cabrera

(Bottom Row - Left to

Anna-Eliza Cabrera, Samantha Cabrera, Jenny Cartagena, Cecilia de Alas, Vilma Cruz, Walter Obdulio **Ana** (Praise Group Leader)



Vision

Renewing people's thoughts with the power of his word



Baptism

Public declaration of our faith in Jesus Christ



Disciples

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...Matthew 28:19



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SAVING GRACE CHURCH OF GOD

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Pastor: Roy Willis and Pam Willis

Pastor Roy Willis advises this church is currently not meeting, they are looking for an appropriate building to use,

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Morning Services

Sunday School

Morning Service Evening Service Not currently scheduled

Wednesday night Small Groups meeting

Childrens Church

with adults

Youth Services cur-



FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

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What we believe..!

We in the Church of God have a very high regard for the Living word of God. It's our guide and rule for the government and ministry of the Church. We firmly believe that a personal experience transforms both life and character, and it is possible for the believer to live a good and moral life daily. The Church of God believes that every converted person is a part of God's great universal church, regardless of denomination to which he belongs. Therefore we proclaim unity of all God's people and try to put this into practice.

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Brief History of the Church in Van Buren

The church started in Van Buren in 1977 and the name was Community Chapel Church of God. While in that location 3 couples pastored the church, Lloyd and Reba Butler, Jim and Beverley Hitchcock, and Terry and Donna Harper. The church relocated in 1993 to its present location and the name was changed to Kibler Rd. Church of God and later CrossPointe Community Church. Pastors have been as follows: Mike and Jeanne Ebert, Dale and Lori Neace, Ronny and Lisa Mayfield, and Ronny and Linda Mayfield. The church has remained active in the community and shared the Gospel of Jesus throughout the Arkansas River Valley.

Schedule of Services

Sunday **Adult SS - 9:30am FlashPointe Devotion 9:30am Worship - 10:30am**
Jr. Church 11:00am

Wednesday **Food Pantry 9am-12pm**
Adult Classes - 6:30pm Prayer Class - 6:30pm
CP Children - 6:30pm CP Youth - 6:30pm

Current Staff

Lead Pastors - Ronny and Linda Mayfield
Associate Pastors - Brad and Danielle Trent
Youth Leaders - Tony and Ashley Duschinsky
Worship Leader - Cheryl Atwell
Associate Pastor - Erika Crabtree
Associate Pastors - Tommy and Jean Carlton

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What’s in store for this year?

As a teacher I usually have an answer when I ask a question, but not this time, for I really don’t know what 2021 will be like. I hope it’s not like 2020, I’m praying that Covid-19 will be just a memory, an historical part of our past that we’ve survived. For PiM, we were able to do only one of our three scheduled seminaries and two mission conventions before Covid-19 hit; all other trips were canceled. Income from most of our churches was down, as to be expected. But due to Facebook, I was able to reach new people with our ministry. We are so grateful for our donors who faithfully gave during the difficult year of 2020, we’re sure they could have used the money elsewhere. We are budgeting and planning for 2021 as normal; trusting the Lord as always. Many of our programs can be carried on without our physical presence in Latin America, but we do desire to be there as much as possible to encourage our people. We will continue to work in Guatemala and Peru as follows: Guatemala – Training Church Leaders, Empowering Abandoned Wives through the Chance Project, partnering with an orphanage and a possible work camp to Guatemala. Peru – Training Church Leaders and partnering with the Warner School. What’s in store for this year? The same as always, “the Lord will be there, He is still in control.” I hope we can depend on you again this year to meet our budget of over \$92,000. Have a Blessed Year, Karvin

Partners in Missions, 308 Windridge Dr.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Feb 27-28 Hope Community Church, Shreveport, LA - Mission Convention

Feb or March—Cypress Street Church, West Monroe, LA—Mission Sunday

August—Peru Seminary— TBA—Guatemala Seminary—Nov 1-10 Warner School, Peru



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Sunday Services 11:am

Sunday Evening Services to be announced

Wednesday Evening Services to be announced

Morning Services broadcast over 88.9fm





A Place for Every Woman Where Every Woman Takes Her Place

President—Kathy Arington

Secretary—Carol Lewis

Treasurer—Dollie Brink

**CWC activities are supported by the
Arkansas General Assembly**

**Annual State Convention and Business Meeting,
date to be set**

Annual State Prayer Retreat—date to be set

**Because of the Covid-19 restrictions the dates for
these activities are not available.**

**State Project, \$4,300. allocated
to Healing Waters, Partners in
Missions and the CWC Linen
Chest, each received \$1,433.33
from our CWC group**



State Christs Birthday Offering,

**A total of \$8,906.37 was received
and sent to National**

**National Convention has been postponed to
October 2022.**

**CWC scholarship program awarded to stu-
dents who attend our Church sponsored col-
leges, , 2019/2020 was to Jessica Duff,
2020/2021 to Koty Boyer. This program is
open to any student in our churches and an
application is available to apply. More than
one student can get help from our scholar-
ship**

Nora Siens Hunter, founder and first president of the National Woman's Missionary Society of the Church of God, formerly known as the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, was started about 1932 after approval from the General Assembly of the Church of God. In 1957 several churches in Arkansas sent women in leadership from their congregations, and some pastors, to the First Church of God in Little Rock for a meeting to consider organizing a state group in Arkansas. After discussion by all an article of incorporation, bylaws and other business articles needed to begin the Women's Missionary Society of Arkansas were approved. Many of the women who used their abilities went back to their congregations and organized the WMS with leadership. After that the spring meeting lasted 3 days with conferences and teaching during the day and preaching during the evening. Missionaries from around the world were invited to attend and tell the women about their lives in foreign countries. This time gave the women from around the state the time to make friends that lasted their lifetime.

The WMS groups did everything they could to earn money to send to the national headquarters to support the missionaries. "Penny a Day" started during the depression to help the desperate needs. The Linen Chest was started to supply needs for Missionaries and furloughed missionaries. Nora Hunter crocheted an afghan for every woman who went on the mission field while she was traveling from place to place. A copy of those handwritten minutes were still available to the state secretary (Mrs. A.B Mizell did the minutes.) in years past. Meetings were also held during the summer Camp-meetings, and a fall Prayer Retreat. The name changed to Women of the Church of God in the '90's and Christian Women Connection in 2009. and the CWC groups continue the work of supporting missions that was started so many years ago.