

The Emerald Beach Christian



M - O - T - H - E - R

"M" is for the million things she gave me,
"O" means only that she's growing old,
"T" is for the tears she shed to save me,
"H" is for her heart of purest gold;
"E" is for her eyes, with love-light shining,
"R" means right, and right she'll always be,
Put them all together, they spell
"MOTHER,"

A word that means the world to me.
Howard Johnson (c. 1915)

And Grandma's too...

While we honor all our mothers
with words of love and praise.
While we tell about their goodness
and their kind and loving ways.
We should also think of Grandma,
she's a mother too, you see....
For she mothered my dear mother
as my mother mothers me.

Author Unknown



Mother's Love

Her love is like
an island in life's ocean,
vast and wide

A peaceful, quiet shelter

From the wind, the rain, the tide.

'Tis bound on the north by Hope,

By Patience on the West,

By tender Counsel on the South

And on the East by Rest.

Above it like a beacon light

Shine Faith, and Truth, and Prayer;

And thro' the changing scenes of life

I find a haven there.

Author Unknown

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Times of Assembly

Sunday

9:00 AM – Bible Classes

10:00 AM – Worship

6:00 PM – Worship

Wednesday

7:00 PM – Bible Study

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Emerald Beach 2011 Gospel Meeting

Speaker: Barry Gilreath, Jr.

Minister, Jackson Heights Church of Christ
(Florence, Alabama)

June 5 – June 8

Sunday: 9 AM, 10 AM, 6 PM

Monday-Wednesday: 7 PM

There will be invitations made available very soon.

Theme:

Are you
READY?

2 Corinthians 5:9-10

Announcements

Attention Visitors

Thank you for choosing to be with us this Lord's Day! You are our welcomed guests, and it is our prayer that we make you feel welcome this morning! We would love to have a record of your visit, and we ask that you please either sign the guest book (located in the back of the auditorium) or return to us a *Visitor Information Card* (located on the back of the pews). If you have any questions or comments about your visit with us, please express them to any of our members.

Brethren, Thank You!

The members at Emerald Beach would like to thank our brothers and sisters in Christ for their financial support in the Gospel of Christ! We are small in number, and our out-of-town visitors have been ever faithful to help support the work of this congregation throughout the years. Your support to see the work of the Lord being accomplished in Panama City Beach means so much to us! Thank you!

Prayer Requests

Updates: **Barry Gilreath, Sr.** (Ringgold, GA) – suffering with fatigue & kidney failure; **Edna Hernandez** – Edna went to the ER this week; she is suffering with abdominal pain; **Gene Johnson** – Recently had an operation for installation of a pacemaker; **Jerry Johnson** – Recovering from surgery

Ivan Burnett – sister of Jean Nichols; **Clint & Ann Byars; Craig Byars; Duffle Chisolm; Alice Heath** – Mother of Betty Brown; **Tim Henderson** – Tim, Fred Casteel's nephew, is recovering from his accident; **Charlie Hernandez; Edna Jones; William Jordan** – At *Bay Center* (Room 112); **Sam & Louise Maxwell; Carol McGinnis** – Ann Byars' sister; **Jim Murrell; Jean Nichols** – Mother of Sharon Stockton; **Jo Nesbitt; Dorris Richardson; Jimmy Smith** – Duffle Chisolm's brother-in-law with heart condition; **Roberta Smith** – Recently diagnosed with cancer; **Pat Young**

May Birthdays



Callie Altman (3 rd)	Betty Curry (15 th)
Farris Brown (7 th)	Taylor Akers (15 th)
Jane Mixson (7 th)	Wyatt Vintson (26 th)
Carla Lee (11 th)	Pat Montgomery (30 th)

Mark Your Calendar



Friday, May 13 – Game Night @ 6:30 PM.



Sunday, May 15 – A student at the Northwest Florida School of Biblical Studies, **Chris O'Brien**, will be our guest speaker next Sunday.

Last Week's Records

AM Bible Study	18
AM Worship	83
PM Worship	17
Wednesday Bible Study	24
Contributions	\$2,158.00

Serving This Month

<i>Announcements</i>	<i>Locking the Building</i>
John Sain	John Sain
<i>Greeter</i>	<i>Preparing Communion</i>
Pat Montgomery	Melba Sain

Pantry Needs

We are in need of canned goods (corn, green peas, etc) & small packages of toilet paper.

The Gospel on Television

Know Your Bible

Mon – Fri., 9:30 PM on DirecTV, Ch. 377
Sun., 6:30 PM on DirecTV, Ch. 377

In Search of the Lord's Way

Sun. 6:30 AM on Knology, Ch. 74;
Comcast, Ch. 244; Dish Network, Ch. 259;
DirecTV, Ch. 364

Proverbs 31:30

“Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.”



The Death of bin Laden

Barry Gilreath III

The horrendous tragedies of September 11, 2001 came rushing to the forefront of the collective conscious of the world this week, as Osama bin Laden was compromised to an earthly end. The events of May 1, 2011 marked nearly a decade of persistent pursuit from the men and women of this great country, and the world truly is a safer place with justice being served to the mastermind of one of the most horrific terroristic acts ever conceived.



I would like to share four thoughts for your consideration concerning the circumstances surrounding the death of this notorious enemy of freedom and liberty:

1. **No one can hide from the consequences of sin.** Osama Bin Laden could not hide from his past transgressions; he did not escape impending judgment. It took time, but he was found and suffered the consequences of his acts of terror. I do not personally know if Bin Laden thought that fateful day would ever come. I do not know if he ever believed that his lifeless body would be the result of a military standoff with United States soldiers. Regardless of that fact, bin Laden will still face the consequences of his sins. There is nothing that we can keep from God, for He knows all (Prov. 15:3). The Bible teaches that every man will each stand before God to give an account of himself (Rom. 14:12). Without a doubt, the admonition of Moses is true: "...be sure your sin will find you" (Num. 32:23b).
2. **Sometimes, evil can be hidden in plain sight.** For nearly a decade, many had envisioned that bin Laden had retreated to some unknown remote cave in Afghanistan. Little did anyone know that he was comfortably living in a densely populated neighborhood! Satan is like this sometimes. We may not expect his influence to be in certain places; however, sometimes he may be hard at work and closer than we might think as he plots his next move of destruction. We must always be sober-minded and ever watchful when it comes to our greatest enemy (1 Pet. 5:8).
3. **We should honor justice.** The reality of the fact is that bin Laden deserved to "face the music" for his heinous crimes of which he influenced into action so many years ago. God has given the governing authorities to be a terror unto evil works; government officials bearing a weapon of offense are called ministers or servants of God. They are to execute wrath on those that practice evil (Rom. 13:1-10). Certainly, justice was served in the events of last Sunday.
4. **We should mourn his demise.** After President Obama shared with the world about the destruction of Osama bin Laden, comments such as, "Have fun in Hell, Osama" and other jesting remarks seemed to be fairly commonplace. That is to be expected from some, but I was surprised to see so many take such a flippant attitude about the demise of Osama bin Laden's soul. Should Christians celebrate the fact that this man will stand before God as an unrepentant sinner? Should a Christian be making jokes that his water burial at sea won't be able to quench the fires of Hell? God forbid! I am reminded by these wise words of Solomon: "Do not rejoice when your enemy falls, and let not your heart be glad when he stumbles" (Prov. 24:17). Listen to Jesus: "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you" (Luke 6:27-28). As horrible as Osama bin Laden's actions against countless innocent people were, he still has an eternal soul that will stand before the Lord on the Day of Judgment. The loss of a soul who has lived in direct opposition to the Gospel of Christ is nothing to celebrate in childish jest and buffoonery. No, that my friend is something to mourn.

Wednesday Trivia Questions

1. Which Old Testament judge had seventy sons?
2. Where do we read of a forest which killed more men during a battle than did men with swords?

Answers from last week:

1. Eliaphaz shared an account with Job of how a spirit glided past his face, and how his hair stood on end because of it (Job 4:15).
2. Saul, searching for the spirit of Samuel, disguised himself to visit the witch of Endor (1 Samuel 28)

Tip of the Week

A mother's heart is
a child's classroom.

Study the Bible

Do you want to study the Bible? If you are interested, see one of the members here. We offer a variety of FREE Bible study courses:

[You Can Be Sure](#) - Many today teach that you cannot be sure about anything. This course teaches how one can be assured of God, the Bible, salvation, the church, and one's eternal destination.

[Bible Correspondence Course](#) - This 8-lesson study is perfect for one desiring to study from the privacy of his or her own home.

[Open Bible Study](#) - This 3-lesson course is a question & answer approach to understanding the fundamental teachings of God's Word.

[Searching for Truth](#) - One who participates in this DVD Bible course will embark on a journey for Biblical truth.

Obey the Gospel

- Hear the Word (Rom. 10:17)
- Believe in Christ (Mark 16:15)
- Repent of Sins (Acts 17:30)
- Confess Christ (Rom. 10:9-10)
- Be Baptized (Acts 2:38)
- Live Faithfully (2 Tim. 4:6-8)