

*Proud to Serve in Worship*

	September 13, 2020	September 22, 2020
Opening Prayer	Charles Hall	Joe Holloway Sr.
Song Leader	Joe Burnsed	Joe Burnsed
Communion	Joe Holloway Sr	Barry Blackburn
Assist	Wade White	Kenneth Jenks
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Dismiss Services	Joe Burnsed	Charles Hall

#### Announcements

##### **Calendar for September-on table in foyer**

Save Food Pantry Items, Cans, peanut butter

**Bookmark our Facebook page.** And add

[EllabellChurchofChrist@hotmail.com](mailto:EllabellChurchofChrist@hotmail.com) to your contact list. Brother Paul asks that you simply email him anything you want to appear on the Facebook page; pictures, announcements, etc.

**Call List**—There are forms on the back table if you want to be added to our call list. If you want a call made, call me or text me and I will make the call and schedule it. 912-667-0519

**Prayer List**—There is a form on the back table to add names to the prayer list.

**Worship Services Online**—Go to our website and there is a link at the bottom. Join us from anywhere in the world online. Subscribe to our You Tube channel

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5OdoHWTNUba\\_av5NqR\\_Vfg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5OdoHWTNUba_av5NqR_Vfg)

**Worship Zoom Meetings**—add your email at you will get an email when we have services

<https://www.ellabellchurchhome.org/worshipservicesonline.htm#id>

## Ellabell Church of Christ

### Never Forget:

- Those who lost their lives here
- The Heroes who gave their lives for others here**
- Those who lost their lives in the wars which began here

I can do all  
Things through  
Him Who  
strengthens me.

-Philippians 4:13

September 13, 2020

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

### REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2020

(Tom Ekpot Jr)

Dearly beloved in Christ, I greet you all in Jesus name. On behalf of my family and the brethren in the Jos and its environ, I welcome us to the month of September, 2020. I appreciate each and every one of you for your prayers on our behalf. We on this side have also been praying for you. The situation confronting man in the present time does not know race and religion. It does not know country and language. We are all under the attack of a pathogenic particle, causing so much trouble around the globe. We believe God will take of this situation at His own time and His own way. At the moment, it seems the corona virus has come to reside with man for some time. We cannot continue to shy away from our God's given responsibility when the Devil is wrecking havoc without impediment.

Our heart of sympathy goes to the families who have lost their love ones to the corona virus. Similarly, we condole with the families in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, California, and other places, who lost their loved ones and properties to the just experienced natural disasters. May God comfort you all. All these come to



remind us that we are not yet in our home. We are still pilgrims on earth.

In Nigeria, we are experiencing flood in some part of the Country. We thank God because in Jos, we are safe from the flood this year though we are having heavy rain and thunder storms. But this is not comparable to the damages caused by fire in California and hurricane in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and other places. God know that we cannot survive that in Africa. As we step into September, we may be experiencing more violent wind, but trust God to see us through.

Since the coming in of corona virus into Nigeria in March, schools were shut. Since then, at the School of Biblical Studies, Jos, we have not resumed full academic activities. We were able to bring back the different levels of students to take their exams so that they won't lose a semester. God helped us through. At the moment we have recalled the 400 level students to come in for intensive classes. After some weeks, we will have the 300 level students come in. This will help especially our foreign students to finish their studies and return home before the expiration of their passports and VISAS. We cannot do all these on our own without the help of God. Please, keep praying for us. The only challenge we are still looking at how to circumvent is our weekly door knocking evangelism outing. Since people are asked to wear face mask when talking to others, it is hard to communicate with prospects while wearing face mask. The study by correspondence is not successful in the cities as it is in the rural areas of Plateau State, I do not know why this is so.

In Foron Mission, the Church is growing in knowledge, faith and number, even though the numerical growth do fluctuates. God added another soul to the church during the month of August. A young man in High school, now home because the shutting down of schools, was baptized. His name is Izok. Izok has been studying with us for some time now, before making up his mind to become a Christian. Since his baptism, he has been faithfully coming to the Church. As our custom is, we presented

him a copy of the Bible to encourage him to study the Word of God the more. Our children class is progressing well. The picture shows a cross section of the children, Sandra is Sitting by the side, helping out with the class.



Sandra is also helping out in teaching the women class. The women are more in number than the men. And the women are serious in their Christianity than the men. I have no doubt that

there will be more women going to heaven than men. Our evangelism outreach by correspondence is gaining more students in Foron than in any other place in Plateau State. We are praying that these prospects will make up their minds to obey the scriptures in due course. I was unable to reach the New Foron Village throughout the month of August.

The Church at Mazah Road is also growing well. Presently our Bible study is on "Mastering our Emotions." It helps us to realize the areas of our weaknesses and the need for us to overcome those weaknesses. Please, continue to pray for us, even as we keep on praying for you.

Our Government is acting irresponsibly, now causing more hardship on the poor masses. They now hike in Gas price and electricity tariff. Foods for common people are now out the reach of the commoners because of surge in price. This in another way has increased crime in the country as many young people who lack Christ in them are now thieves or kidnappers. We are at the same time struggling with Islamic terrorist and insurgencies. We know all things work together for good, for those called according to God's purpose. May we be able to go through this hardship successfully. May God continue to bless you all for your kindness towards us. Have a blessed SEPTEMBER.