



1776 Clay Road
Mableton, GA 30126

May 20, 2018

TIMES OF SERVICES:
Sunday Bible Study 10 AM
Sunday AM Worship 11 AM
Sunday PM Worship 5 PM
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 PM
Ladies Bible Class Tuesday 10 A

THOSE SERVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Eric Johnson

SONG LEADERS
May 20 Chris Tidwell
May 27 Bruce Stroud
June 03 Rob Stroud
June 10 Boyd Cribb
June 17 Chris Tidwell
June 24 Bruce Stroud

PRESIDING:
May 20 Eric Johnson
May 27 Boyd Cribb
June 03 Andy Carson
June 10 Jeremy Peters
June 17 Bruce Stroud
June 24 Dwyane Watson

A/V ROOM
May 20 Kenneth Fincher
May 27 Augustine Sunday
June 03 George Awuley
June 10 Kenneth Fincher
June 17 Augustine Sunday
June 24 George Awuley

SERVING ON LORD'S TABLE:
1. Steven Pütz
2. Doug Durham
3. Larry King
4. Doug Pirtle
5. Kevan Baker
6. Emmett Peters
7. Romund McConis
8. Hubert Grier

DOOR GREETERS:
May 20 Margaret Watson/
Jenny Stubblefield
May 27 Tommy/LaRheasa
Tidwell
June 03 Dee McGinnis/Ella
Sandy
June 10 Sandy Bobb/Marcia
Anderson

PREPARING LORD'S SUPPER
Marie Fincher

STAYING BALANCED IN A SINFUL WORLD

I'm concerned.

It was implied of Jesus and his disciples, on one occasion, that they were too tolerant. "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" the Pharisees asked of Jesus' disciples in Matthew 9:10-13. Jesus answered them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician but those who are sick. But go and learn what this means: I desire mercy and not sacrifice. For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance." Jesus had the uncanny ability to see through sin, beholding the sinner . . . **heart and soul.**

Admittedly, there was a day during my lifetime when all too many of us who called ourselves "Christians" were altogether too "pharisaical." Tolerance was not one of our better qualities. We found sin to be disgusting and so we easily and readily repudiated sinners. Our self-righteousness could not even stand a hint of "off-coloredness" in those with whom we associated. As Christians we were ignorant of the fact that love covers a multitude of sin (1 Peter 4:8). Love's view is not impeded by sin, for it is, like Jesus, moved by the worth of a soul. How good it is to see maturing among us. More and more of us are seeing people - God's creatures - and are not being blinded by the ugly sins of those people. We are beginning to finally realize that "this little light of mine" shines best in darkness. Now, we are better able to reach out to people with the gospel because we can see past repulsive sin to that valuable God given soul underneath.

BUT THE PENDULUM SWINGS!

I'm terribly concerned. Along with this maturing trend of tolerance toward sinners, **we are carelessly developing a trend toward the toleration of their sin.** Never will sin be acceptable. Even though we have heard many ignorantly suggest to the contrary, **Jesus was NOT tolerant toward the adulteress' sin (John 8:1-12).** "Neither do I condemn you: go, and sin no more." (John 8:11). I'm sure that she did not leave his presence believing him to be soft on sin. He loved the sinner, **but he tolerated not her sin.** He called the immorality what it was - SIN! Sin separates us from God (Isaiah 59:1-2); it always has and it always will. Sin is a killer of hope (Romans 6:23), placing our eternal destiny in jeopardy.

Somehow, we do not seem quite capable of distinguishing between sin and the sinner. Today's church seems to feel that being tolerant toward sinners requires, yea, even demands that we tolerate their sin. NOT SO! Their sins ought not keep us from the worth of their soul, **but we cannot minimize their sin in the process.**

The church must, if it is to perpetuate man's hope of heaven, develop both the **love and courage** of Jesus. We must love sinners and courageously say, "don't sin anymore! Do something about your sins the **LORD'S WAY!**" We must abandon the word "mistake," as we so generously have come to characterize sin. Let's courageously call pre-marital sex, un (anti) scriptural divorce and remarriage, social drinking, homosexuality and others immoralities, and doctrinal heresy . . . what it is . . . SIN!

Are you concerned?

Charlie Garner, Lake Forest church of Christ.

IN THE MILITARY

ISHMAEL GORDON - CA
JESSE BLANTON - GERMANY
JON SHIPP - TEXAS
MICALAH THOMPSON - SPAIN
MALACHI BIEN-AIME - CA
MICAH THOMPSON - FL

SHUT-INS/NURSING HOME/ ASSISTED LIVING

FANNIE PIGG
KEVIN BIERLEY
MELBA SHINHOLSTER
SARAH HARMON
THELMA PIRTLE
JERRY/ROSLYN ANDERSON
EVA LOU SATTERFIELD
JOY REBB
MIKE GATTIS

MISSIONS:

GA AGAPE
RAINTREE VILLAGE CHILDREN'S
HOME
RAINBOW OMEGA
ROBERT MARTIN -PACIFIC
ISLAND
A MISSIONARY IN DUBAI
WAYNE PARKER POHNPEI

SOUTH COBB MARRIAGE SEMINAR

May 25-27
WITH MELVIN AND JANIA
OTEY

Friday 7-9pm

1. Marital Covenant
2. Marital Companionship

Saturday 9-12pm Lunch Served

1. Marital Management
2. Marital Kindness
(break out session for
ladies)

3. Marital Conflict

Sunday 10 and 11am Lunch Served

1. Communication (In
Marriage and in daily
lives)
2. Affirmation (power of
praise) (in marriage and
daily lives)

OUR SICK AND PRAYER REQUESTS

AMANDA WOODS asks for prayer for her mother as she had surgery on Friday to repair a broken elbow.

BETTY SINGLETON'S sister in law Vivian has taken her last chemo treatment.

COURTNEY TESSAREAU, niece of Scott Tessareau, was in automobile accident that broke all the bones in one side of her body. She is expected to survive.

DANNY, friend of Dee McGinnis, just found out he has liver cancer.

DAVID NIXON and **DIANA NIXON** need our continued prayers.

FRITZ TELCIDE (Joanne Bryant's father) early onset dementia.

JOY REBB asks for prayers for her sister **PAT**, her brother in law

JIM and her niece **JENNIFER** who are all having health issues.

LESSIE DANIELS is in need of prayers & encouragement as she may have cancer.

MARICE ALLEN will have a PET scan at the end of this month.

MARY COLE asks for prayers for her cousin Teresa who has brain cancer.

MYRIAME THOMPSON asks for prayers as she makes decisions regarding her mom.

SANDRA HERINGTON is in need of our prayers & encouragement.

SANDY BRUNDIGE, Tommy's sister, has been diagnosed with ovarian cancer. This is what caused the death of Tommy's mother.

STEVE WATTS has pancreatic cancer.

NAMES WILL BE REMOVED IF NO UPDATES ARE GIVEN IN 2 weeks.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 20 Area Wide Youth Devo at North Cobb Church of Christ 4-7pm

May 25-27 Marriage Seminar with Melvin and Jania Otey.

June 14 Senior Luncheon at the building 12pm. Menu is pot luck.

June 20-23 Vacation Bible School there are sign up sheets in the foyer. 7-9pm Wed-Fri 10am-1:30pm Saturday

June 24-29 Camp Week. Registration is now open.

SOME QUESTIONS FROM THE BIBLE

All hard work brings a profit, but what does all talk bring? (Pro 14:23)

What do diligent hands bring? (Pro 10:4).

Who was Jeremiah's secretary? (Jeremiah 32:12)

Jonah was not the only prophet who preached about Nineveh. Who was the other one?

If a cheerful heart is good medicine, what does a crushed spirit do? (Pro 17:22)

According to one of Solomon's proverbs what is in Wisdom's right hand and left hands?

PANTRY ITEMS

Mac and cheese
Canned tuna



LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Meets each
Tuesday
morning at 10
am.

Last class will
be May 29th

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTION

MAY 13, 2018

Sunday AM Bible Study 73

Sunday AM Worship 132

Sunday PM Worship 51

Wednesday Bible Study 73

CONTRIBUTION

Budget \$4,500.00

Contribution: \$6109.00

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tomorrow, May 21st, is Dorothy
Cason's birthday, and I inadvertently
left it off the calendar.

LaRheasa

AREA EVENTS

AREA WIDE YOUTH DEVO May 20 @ 3:30pm at
West GA Church of Christ

WIDOWS/WIDOWER LUNCHEON May 30 @
11:30am at the Villa Rica Church of Christ

YOUNG LADIES DAY June 9 @ 9am Avondale
Church of Christ

"It is one simple fact: Christians hate sin yet love sinners! So simple to preach yet so difficult to practice. It appears contradictory. Some preach against sin so heatedly they cannot accept or love a sinner . . . others accept and love sinners to a degree they cannot preach against sin. BOTH are wrong.

"To illustrate . . . I hate cancer but love cancer patients. There is no contradiction in this. Even if their cancer was basically self-caused. Even if cigarette smoking caused the lung cancer, the patient is still loved, aided, prayed for and served. Lung cancer patients must not be "shot" because we preach against cigarettes. Booze can cause cirrhosis of the liver but the patient must be loved with compassion. Gluttony can cause stomach disorders; worry can cause ulcers. The point vividly is this — illness is hated but sick people are loved!

"Compassion, urgency, ministry, encouragement must be given the sick. They have our priority. And the greatest sickness is sin. Jesus is the only answer. Jesus calls the sinner - not the righteous."

Charles Hodge

SIN SHOULD SCARE US TO DEATH!

"Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (Romans 6:3-4). Only one who is "dead" is to be "buried." In this case the one "buried" (baptized) has "died" to sin. To the Colossians this same Paul penned, *"If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God."* (Colossians 3:1-3). And, to the Galatians he wrote, *"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."* (Galatians 2:20). The common denominator of each of these is that those who are followers of (alive in) Christ are "dead to sin."

Sin separates from God (Isaiah 59:1-2). It is the transgression of God's will (1 John 3:4). It causes one to walk in darkness (1 John 1:6). It defiles "the temple of God," resulting in destruction from Him (1 Corinthians 3:17). He is to be feared who has the power to cast one into the depths of hell (Matthew 10:28).

Since sin is so destructive and devastating to man, it should "scare us to death." That is, it should frighten us to the point that we "die" to sin (Romans 6:2). It should cause us, through repentance, to put to death the old man of sin (Ephesians 4:22; Colossians 3:9). In order to live for him, we must die to self (Galatians 2:20; Luke 14:26). Being dead to self and sin, we must then be buried (baptized into Christ). It is only then that we can live in and for Him (Romans 6:4; Galatians 2:20). It is only then, as we live for Him and walk faithfully in the light of His word (1 John 1:7) that we have no fear of sin (Romans 6:7). If you are not a Christian, sin should scare you to death. If you are an unfaithful Christian, one who has NOT struggled against sin in his/her life, and if you have not repented, it will ultimately lead to your eternal death.

Are you "scared to death" of sin in your life?

Eddy Gilpin

**2018 SUMMER SERIES SOUTH COBB
HE WENT ABOUT DOING GOOD . . . FOR GOD WAS WITH HIM ACTS 10:38**

JUNE 6	JESUS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT	BJ SLOCUMB SHANNON
JUNE 13	JESUS' DIVINE NATURE	CHAD DOLLAHITE BREMEN
JUNE 20	JESUS' OBEDIENCE TO THE FATHER	DAVE ROGERS FAYETTEVILLE
JUNE 27	BIBLE CAMP	
JULY 4	JESUS COMPASSION Matthew 9:36	ERIC JOHNSON S COBB
JULY 11	JESUS' LOVE FOR THE FATHER AND MAN	LARRY ACUFF LITHIA SPRINGS
JULY 18	JESUS' EXAMPLE OF FORGIVENESS	BOYD CRIBB S COBB
JULY 25	JESUS' COMMITMENT TO THE MISSION	JEFF JOHNSON CONYERS
AUGUST 1	JESUS IN PRAYER	BARRY GILREATH MACLAND RD
AUGUST 8	JESUS' PATIENCE AND SELF CONTROL WITH PEOPLE	STEVE PUTZ S COBB CHRIS TIDWELL S COBB
AUGUST 15	JESUS' MANNER OF TEACHING	DWAYNE WATSON S COBB
AUGUST 22	JESUS' HUMILITY	ROMUND MCCONIS S COBB
AUGUST 29	JESUS' REACTION TO OPPOSITION	MATT AMOS WOODSTOCK
SEPTEMBER 5	JESUS AS A SERVANT Mark 10:4 John 13	KENNETH FINCHER S COBB

**GRADUATES WILL BE HONORED JUNE 10TH DURING THE
FELLOWSHIP MEAL**

Please let LaRheasa know if you know of any one else.



<p>High School Hannah Bailey - Georgia Cyber Academy Keasia Davis - South Cobb Desarae Woods - McEachern Addison Latimer - McEachern</p>	<p>Middle School Jari Davis Robbie Johnson</p>	<p>Elementary Xander Johnson Ava Stroud</p>	<p>Pre-School/Kindergarten Da'siyah Reese -PreSchool Faith Awuley - PreSchool</p>
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