

For The Record

Bible Study.....61
Worship A.M. 81
Worship P.M. 58
Wednesday.....50
Contribution.....\$1914
Budget..... \$1700

Sermons

A.M. Blessed are They that Mourn
P.M. Blessed are the Meek

Mark Your Calendar

Oct. 11-15 Gospel Meeting @ Lithia Springs. See Bulletin Board
Oct. 24 Hobo Dinner & Trunk 'n' Treat
Nov. 8 Family and Friends Day
Feb. 5-7 9th Annual Winter Lectureship
Chad Dollahite
Leroy Dedmon
Barry Gilreath, Sr.
Jim Dearman
Gary McDade

October Assignments

Announcements..... Gary Anderson
Communion.....Eric Ballard
Wednesday Singing..... Gerald Scales
Clean Building
Bud and Donna Benefield

Good News Today Monday - Friday

Dish Network Channel 9407 and 9396 @ Noon ET
Gospel Broadcasting Network
www.gbntv.org

Plan of Salvation

Hear - (Rom. 10:14) "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

Believe - (John 8:24) "I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins."

Repent - (Luke 13:3) "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Confess - (Rom. 10:9) "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

Be Baptized - (Acts 2:38) "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

Be Faithful - (Rev. 2:10) "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

www.bowdonchurchofchrist.com



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study 10:00
Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 pm

SHEPHERDS

Bill Dedmon
James Harrington
Donnie Truett

DEACONS

Bud Benefield
Phil Harrington
Gerald Scales

MINISTER

Bill Dedmon
Office: (770) 258-7974
House: (770) 258-7829
Cell : (678) 378-1348
Email:
bowdoncc@bellsouth.net

OUTREACH

Ken Lovvorn

YOUTH DIRECTOR

Jerome Thompson

MISSIONS

Roger Leonard
Corinto, Nicaragua
Gospel Broadcasting Network



The Gospel Light

"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79

Published by the **Bowdon Church of Christ**
816 E. College Street Bowdon, GA 30108
Editor—Bill Dedmon

Vol. XX October 11, 2009 Number 37



*"Blessed are those who mourn,
For they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek,
For they shall inherit the earth."
Matthew 5:4,5*

Is One Religion As Good As Another?

This question has been around for more years than I have been alive. In fact, the writer of the letter to the Hebrews dealt with the truth that Jesus is superior to Moses, the angels and the priesthood of man. *“Having become by so much better than the angels, as he hath inherited a more excellent name than they”* (Hebrews 1:4). *“For he hath been counted worthy of more glory than Moses, by so much as he that built the house hath more honor than the house. For every house is builded by some one; but he that built all things is God. And Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken; ⁶but Christ as a son, over his house; whose house are we, if we hold fast our boldness and the glorying of our hope firm unto the end”* (Hebrews 3:3-6).

If one religion was as good as another, then it would not be the case that Jesus and His last will and testament would be no better than Moses or the Jewish religion. Paul said, *“Having knowledge of me from the first, if they be willing to testify, that after the strictest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee”* (Acts 26:5). If all religions were the same, then why did Paul change his religion? Obviously, the religion of Christ is better.

If one religion is as good as another, then it would be the case that manmade institutions would be as good as the church of our Lord. *“And I also say unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it”* (Matthew 16:18). We know that this is not correct because salvation is in the name of Jesus. *“And in none other is there salvation: for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, wherein we must be saved”* (Acts 4:12). If salvation is in the name of Christ, and it is, then there is no salvation any where else. Is a religion that cannot bring salvation as good as one that does? The answer, of course, is no!

If one religion was as good as another then a religion that denies Christ would be as good as one that accepts the religion of Christ? Any religion that is based on any one other than Jesus is without foundation. *“For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ”* (1 Corinthians 3:11).

Let us make no mistake. Jesus the Christ is the Savior of mankind and He is the only Savior. Therefore, no matter how popular a religion might be, it cannot stand against one that is of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Bill Dedmon - reprinted from August 27, 2006



Welcome to our visitors. You are our special guests. We trust the worship service today will be uplifting and in harmony with God's word.

Sunday Morning Devotion

October 11

Song - Phil Harrington

Scripture and Prayer - Bill Dedmon

October 18

Song - Gerald Scales

Scripture and Prayer - Matt Smith

Wednesday Night Devotional

October 14

Song - Gerald Scales

Devotional - Bill Dedmon

Announcements - Bill Dedmon



The Annual Hobo Dinner will be on Saturday, October 24, beginning around 6:30 pm. Again this year, we will have a **Trunk 'n' Treat** for the kids. Kids, dress in your Halloween costume and there will be treats in the trunks of vehicles after the dinner.



M.E.P. Team number one will meet Tuesday, October 13, at the home of James and Linda Harrington at 7:00 P.M. See Linda Harrington for more information.



We rejoice with Cathy Lovvorn who responded to the invitation last Wednesday night asking for the prayers of the church.



Edie Anderson fell and broke her ankle; **Cindy Carnes** got a good report; **Caydie Ballard**; **Christy Bracknell**; **Linda Bracknell**; **Wayne Harlin** fell and cut his arm; he was to have surgery on Friday; **Greg and Alesa Holloway**; **Beverly Nicholson**, daughter of John and Charlotte Vines of Villa Rica; **Samantha and Bryan Kirby**, who lost two children; **Crawford Family**, who lost a child and all their belongings in the flood; **Cooper Family**, who lost everything in the flood; **Kathleen Sharpe**; **Shannon Gifford**, Billie Nolen's niece; **Wanda Warmack**, professor at Faulkner; **Willard Elder**, Jada's father; **Brenda Green**; **Hope Hickman**, 14 year old girl in critical condition; **Ervin Barnhill**; **Irene Harrington**; **Melinda Fendley**; **Reba Parsons**; **Ken and Cathy Lovvorn**; **April Fordham**; **Melinda Harlin**; **Phil, Aiden and Molly Astin**; **Jeff Denny**; **Ida Mae Holloway**; **Ansley Suddeth**; **Jane Newbern**; **unfaithful members**; **young people**.

Serving in our military:

Jason Benefield, **Paul Wheeler**, **Toby Hill**.



Mark your calendars for November 8. Our annual Friends and Family Day is just around the corner. We are planning for and expecting a big day. Invitations to mail to your friends and family are on the table in the foyer. Our goal is 150.