



For The Record	
Bible Study.....	26
Sunday AM.....	34
Sunday PM.....	25
Wednesday.....	33
Contribution.....	\$1088
Budget.....	\$1702
YTD Under Budget.....	\$3507

Sermons	
A.M.	Lessons From Nehemiah (4)
P.M.	Repentance

Mark Your Calendar	
May 18	Elders' Meeting @ 4:30
May 25	Bud Benefield & Greg Holloway to speak
June 15-19	Vacation Bible School
July 20-24	Gospel Meeting with Phillip Satterfield
August 18	Classes begin at West GA School of Biblical Studies

Those To Serve (May)	
Announcements.....	Gerald Scales
Communion.....	Gary Anderson
Wed. Singing.....	Kiley Fordham
	Clean Building
Alesa Holloway.....	Kristi Attaway

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."

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES
SUNDAY
 Bible Study 10:00
 Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY
 Bible Study 7:00 pm

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The Gospel Light

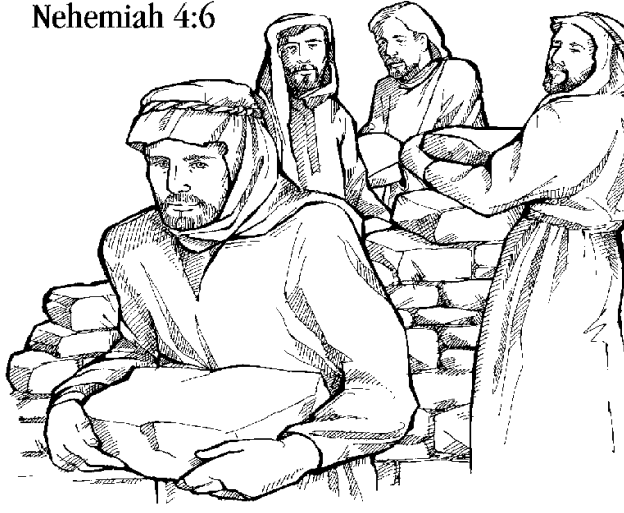
"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79

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So we rebuilt
 the wall...for the
 people worked with
 all their heart.

Nehemiah 4:6



Where Is The Distinctiveness?

There are several churches in our area. As a matter of fact there is one that meets across the street from our building. They have a different name and their worship is different. Now if we wanted to be just like them, why go to all the trouble to bring in the instrument, cancel the Lord's Supper every Sunday, and change the name on the front of our building. Why don't we just lock the doors and walk across the street? They would probably accept us readily. They may want us to be re-baptized since they teach baptism is not essential to salvation. We have relied on the teaching of the Bible about salvation (Rom. 10:17, Hebrews 11:6, Luke 13:3, Romans 10:9-10, 1 Peter 3:21).

To some, Christianity and the church are just like a cafeteria (select what you want). An article recently about the Tulsa Workshop (For those who are not familiar with this, it was an evangelistic workshop started by the Garnett Rd. Church of Christ in the 70's) indicated that it may not continue because Garnett Rd could no longer oversee it; however, all fears are allayed because it will continue under the direction of another congregation. One thing emphasized in the article was that they would continue to invite speakers outside the Churches of Christ. It was stressed "that the direction of the workshop is 'toward Jesus - not toward the church'". This followed, "You are smart enough to sort out that things that are valuable to you and discard the rest". Jesus said,

"Not every one that saith unto me, lord, lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, lord, lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works. And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matthew 7:21-23).

It seems they may be smart enough to discard what they don't want but they are not very smart in the Bible.

"Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into *your* house, neither bid him God speed. For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds" (2 John 9-11).

Many no longer believe that the church of the New Testament is distinctive. They believe, teach, and practice that denominationalism is valid. They do not believe in the one church of the Bible (Eph. 4:4; 1:22-23). They support and encourage division in spite of Jesus prayer for unity (John 17:20-21). They support them and therefore are partakers of their evil deeds (2 John 9-10). Even though the scriptures teach us to have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness they do so (Eph. 5:11).

Our prayer is that our brethren who have departed from the scriptures will be the distinctive church of the Lord that they once were.

-Larry Acuff



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

Sunday Morning Devotional

May 18

Song - Kiley Fordham

Scripture and Prayer - Larry Robinson

May 25

Song - Ken Lovvorn

Scripture and Prayer - Ben Teel

Wednesday Night Devotional

May 21

Song - Kiley Fordham

Devotional - James Harrington

Announcements - James Harrington



Our deepest sympathy is extended to Jerome, Kelly, and Ellis Thompson and family in the death of Jerome's mother, Hazel Thompson, this past Sunday. Her funeral was Wednesday.



The Sunday night M.E.P. group will meet Sunday, May 25, following the evening service. The place for the meeting will be announced later.



Bud Benefield and Greg Holloway will be handling the preaching duties in Bill's absence on Sunday, May 25. Bill and Connie are taking a short vacation.



Carol Ellis, daughter of J.C. and Ann Watkins, is to undergo surgery for breast cancer. J.C. preaches for the White Oak congregation in Chattanooga, TN; **Bill Johnson; Audrey Marlow**, Ken Lovvorn's aunt; **Taylor Brown; Melinda Harlin; Jeff Denney; Irene Harrington; Ida Mae Holloway; Ansley Suddeth; Willard Elder**, Jada Truett's dad, fell and broke his hip; our unfaithful members; our young people; those who had damage from the tornadoes in recent months.

Serving in our military:

Jason Benefield, Cope Rowell, Keith Freeman, Paul Wheeler, Toby Hill.



Parents, don't forget *Pewpackers* this afternoon at 5:45. We need all of the young people eight years old and under to participate in this activity. This will be the last class until August.

July 2008						
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30	31		

Our Gospel meeting with Philip Satterfield will be July 20-24. Be sure to reserve these dates and plan to attend. Now is a good time to be making a list of people you would like to see at the meeting and start inviting them to come.



The elders will be meeting this afternoon, May 18, at 4:30. If you have something you wish to discuss with them, you are welcome to come and meet with them.