

	3/5	3/12	3/19	3/26
Call To Worship	Tom Durden	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Dave Rogers
Scripture Reading	Peyton Nash	Ethan Boelsterli	Tucker Hopkins	Carson Hop-kins
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Charles Nash	David Gulledge
Prayer	Hugh Kelley	Dale Findley	Stan Mitchell	Ron James
Preside Lord’s Supper	Eric Hagin	Dave Poskevich	Jack Sorrell	Paul Lyons
Usher	JD Branch	Steve Hopkins	JD Branch	Steve Hopkins
Sermon	Dave Rogers	David Gulledge	Dave Rogers	Jonah Dawes
Shepherd’s Prayer	Tom Durden	Greg Nash	Jim Garner	Tom Durden
Evening Worship				
Announcements	Tom Durden	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Dave Rogers
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Charles Nash	Jimmy Garner
Prayer	Larry Rose	Ray Russell	Rick Sharpe	Greg Nash
Sermon	Dave Rogers	David Gulledge	Dave Rogers	Singing Night
Lord’s Supper	Eric Hagin	Dave Poskevich	Jack Sorrell	Paul Lyons
Prayer	David Hopkins	Eric Hagin	Jon Buckner	Jonah Dawes
Worship Assignment Coordinator for March: Paul Lyons				

Communion Preparation
Available on the table in the foyer

Nursery


Visitors’ Center
Mar 6 - Carla Sorrell/Linda Johnson

Care of Building
3/1/15 David Hopkins/Rick Sharpe
16-30 Dennis Graham/Charles Nash

Media Center
3/5
Sound Board
Carson Hopkins
Streaming
Steve Esler
Sound & Media Computer
Dennis Graham
Training
Jon Buckner

Wednesday Evening
Devotionals
Mar 8 — Ray Russell
Mar 15 — Larry Rose
Mar 22 — Tucker Hopkins
Mar 29 — Rick Sharpe
Apr 5 — Carson Hopkins

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Georgia School of Preaching-
South Metro Campus
<http://gsoponline.org/>
gsop-fayetteville-campus
Rick Sharpe, Campus Director

Assembly Schedule:
Sunday
9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Worship Service

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
10:00 am
(Classes begins Sept 13 - May 16)
Wednesday Evening
Bible Classes at 7pm



WATCH!
The Fountain of Life
With Larry Acuff
Saturdays at 7 am
on channel 57

In SEARCH of the Lord’s Way
With Phil Sanders
Sunday at 7:30am,
Stations 69 or 45
Mar 5—At Your Word
Mar 12— Christian Baptism 1
Mar 19 - Christian Baptism 2
Mar 26 - Near The Cross

Elders
Tom Durden(770) 652-7389
Jim Garner(770) 461-3197
Greg Nash(404) 455-1546

Deacons
JD Branch
Steve Esler
Dennis Graham
Eric Hagin
David Hopkins
Hugh Kelly
Andy Johnson
Stan Mitchell
Charles Nash
David Poskevich
Rick Sharpe
Jack Sorrell

Records You Made – Feb 26, 2023
Bible Classes 88-40 Units Online
10 am Worship 161-20 Units Online
5 pm Worship 68-3 Units Online
Offering \$7,860.21
Wednesday Bible Study 64-9 Units Online

Area Events
March 5-7
Personal Evangelism Semi-
nar
Peachtree City COC
Speakers: Rob Whitacre &
Nicole Whitacre
Evange-
lism.HousetoHouse.com
March 11 - Ladies’ Day at
Warms Springs Rd COC
March 25
Middle Fayette COC Spring
Seminar



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Basic Facts from...1 PETER (Part)

by Dave Rogers

If the “key” thought in Peter’s first letter is *suffering*, then the **point** of Christians enduring suffering lies in the commandment of 1 Peter 1:15-16 where Peter quotes Leviticus 20:7 and applies these words to Christians as a contrast to our former manner of life (1 Peter 1:14). In Leviticus, Moses was commanding the children of Israel to avoid ANY participation in idolatry, and by referencing that commandment, Peter was effectively equating a life *apart from God* – where lust is allowed to rule our lives and dictate our choices – with living in idolatry. The word “holy” refers to something that is set apart from ordinary uses because it is dedicated to the Lord: Because Christians are the people who have been ransomed/purchased out of sin’s condemnation by the blood of Jesus, we are supposed to pattern our lives according to the values HE embodies. Therefore, “*Be holy, for I am holy.*”

Many of our friends and neighbors who participate in the various denominations of Christendom have been taught to believe that they have been saved entirely by the grace of God, without ANY activity or obedience on their own part other than to believe in Him. Some denominational dogmas even go so far as to assert that any kind of obedient response to the Lord’s instructions constitutes “works” salvation in place of salvation by God’s grace, and they base this doctrine on a misuse of passage like Ephesians 2:5 & 8. Such denominational teachings often allege **obedience to commands** – that the idea that we must “do” *anything* in order to be saved (such as repent of sins or be baptized into Christ – cf. Acts 2:38 and Romans 6:3-5) – somehow “cancels out God’s grace.” When we read 1 Peter 1:22, however, either obeying God’s instructions IS an essential part of our salva-

tion, or we can be saved without having our souls purified! In fact, Peter’s commendation and instruction here actually agree with every commandment in the new testament (including Peter’s own instructions to the Jews in Acts 2) that relates to salvation. **How we respond to the Holy Spirit’s instructions plays an incontrovertible part in our own salvation!** No wonder, then, that we read in Acts 2:40, “**Save yourselves from this crooked generation**” (ASV, KJV, etc.).

The first ten verses of 1 Peter 2 push this idea of personal responsibility and personal action forward by emphasizing that spiritual **growth** is an absolutely essential part of the Christian’s life. Too often, Christians live as if the “entry point” to salvation – baptism – is the *destination* in our spiritual lives. Here, Peter shows that it is merely the **beginning point** for a lifelong process of learning and maturing in our spiritual lives! Verse 1 marks the start of spiritual life, when we “lay aside” (*throw away*) the attitudes and behaviors of a sin-filled, Godless existence by becoming Christians. Peter stresses in vv. 2-4 that a definite growth process that should follow that auspicious beginning, which begins – like our physical lives do – with (spiritual) **infancy**. We are not meant to *remain* in spiritual infancy, any more than we can remain in physical infancy; rather, we are to be “built up” (vs. 5) as God’s spiritual house, so that we can serve effectively as His chosen generation, His royal priesthood, His holy nation, and His own special people (vs. 9) who have obtained mercy as the people of God (vs. 10).



Fayetteville Church of Christ Book Club

Our newest title to explore together!

Stay tuned for the date to meet, fellowship and discuss!



1135 CHATHAM ROAD BUFORD, GA 30518

You Are Cordially Invited To The

AREA WIDE SPRING SINGING

at the

BUFORD CHURCH of CHRIST

Saturday, April 22, 2023


2:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord Psa. 98:4

L2L 2023 CONVENTION

April 6-9

Overall Theme
Rise Up and Build!
 Nehemiah 2:17-18



Bible Bowl
 Ezra & Nehemiah

Bible Bowl study questions, test questions, and final round questions will be worded from the **New King James Version ONLY.**

Pearls Study Series
 Building Godly Homes

Pearls is a 13-lesson classroom or individual study of the chosen Bible book for the current year.

Youth Calendar

Today — LTL Scrapbook Meeting after AM Service.
 (Questions? See Charity Nash)
 Mar 8 — Family Fellowship
 Mar 12 — Teen Sing

Mar 17-19 — **SOAR** Youth Rally Weekend
 Apr 6-9—Lads-to-Leaders Weekend
 Apr 12—Family Fellowship
 Apr 16—Teen Sing

Bible Bowl Snacks. Sunday at 3pm

March 5
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 Mar 12 — **Open**
 Mar 19 — Susie Graham
 Mar 26 — **Open**

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us today. Please stay for a few minutes after worship so we can get acquainted with you, and you with us. **Please complete an Attendance Card**, located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We have an attended nursery and a training/cry room available.

Today's sermon can be viewed online by going to www.fcoc.com — click on "live broadcast."

Family Matters

Keep in Prayer

Andrew Williams – Will have outpatient surgery soon.

Annette Butler – Is recovering from Covid and feeling better.

Mary Lawrence – Has been moved to Southland Rehab.

Nick & Casie Adams family – (Preacher at Westside/Griffin) The Adams family is traveling this week for the funeral of Casie's 18 year old nephew, who was murdered in Mississippi two weeks ago. Please keep them in your prayers.

Our brethren on both sides of the war in Ukraine.

Continue Prayers for:

Burma Chapman – Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville, 355 Brandywine Blvd, Sunny Suite #10, Fayetteville, GA 30214. Visitors are welcome.

Shelby Killingsworth – (Keith's mother) Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville (Safe Harbor room 15).

Members With Health Issues:

Dale & Susan Findley, Bill & Jo Ruffer, Tom & Christie Belk, Curtis & Jo Hurt, David & Sue Riley, Martha Vickery, Doris Buckner, Jim & Susan Pelfrey, Paul &

Decieta Lyons, Jim & Sharon O'Brien, Brian Harris, Stan & Brenda Mitchell, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge

Shut-ins:

Margie Fields, Una Fortson, Ruby Fowler, Harry & Mattie Williams, Estell Higginbotham, and Alyce Hubbert

Our Missionaries and their families:

Graham & Beth McDonald; Victor & Esperanza Gonzalez Geronimo; Scott & Rebecca Shanahan.

Others With Health Problems:

Aukse Harris (Linda Armstrong's adopted daughter), Wayne Smith & Anita Humphreys (Debbie Waldings family), Myrtie Robinson (Sue Riley's sister), Eyvonne King (Annette Butler's aunt), Jackie Couch (Ginny's husband), Xernonia Fortson, Ruth King (Melanie Boelsterli's aunt), Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe's sister), Lamar Elder, Carol Waites (Martha Vickery's daughter), Shirley Johnson (Andy's mother), Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's parents), Marvin Cook (Coney Johnson's uncle), Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents), Richard & Cathy Oliver (Brenda Mitchell's stepfather & mother), Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family) and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).



Member Pictures

will be taken Today after the AM Services

If your picture is outdated or we don't have one this is your time to get it made!

Calendar Events

Mar 5 - LTL Scrapbook Meeting for Parents & kids

March 12 — Baby "Boy" Shower for Tiffany Durden Ray

March 19 — Baby "Boy" Shower for Rebecca Sorrell Harrison



Our Mexico Mission trip will be June 10-17, 2023

We need YOUR support!

We have an opportunity to serve the Lord in June by helping our brethren in Villa Ocuilzapotlan, Tabasco, Mexico. We're planning a mission trip to support the church there, and to introduce others to the gospel for the first time.

The dates for this trip are **June 10-17, 2023**. We will have Bible classes each afternoon, and a gospel meeting in the evenings. We will also visit shut-ins.

*One reason to help other congregations like this is because it strengthens the church **here!***

March Birthdays		
5	Frances Kelly	26
David Lee	10	Brenda Mitchell
	Earlie Steele	27
	17	Kelley Branch
	Jenny Gwinn	30
	19	Burma Chapman
	Dennis Etheridge	
6	23	
Laslie Johnson	Rebecca Harrison	
Mary Lawrence	24	
7	Una Fortson	
Ron Biles	Sue Riley	