

## Gospel Meeting at Shannon Church of Christ

**"Miracles of Jesus"**  
Speaker: Bro. David Guldedge

**September 24th—27th**

**Sunday, 10am—The man Born Blind**  
**Sunday, 11am—Woman with the Issue of Blood**

**Monday, 7pm—Raising of Jairus' Daughter**

**Tuesday, 7pm—The Paralytic Man**  
**Wednesday, 7pm—Jesus Heals the Ten Lepers**

### Today Worship Assignments September 10

Call to Worship-Jonah Dawes  
Scripture Reading-Tucker Hopkins  
Song Leader-Jimmy Garner  
Prayer-David Hopkins  
Preside Lord's Supper  
Paul Lyons  
Usher-Emmitt Libby  
Sermon-David Guldedge  
Closing Prayer-Clay Posey

### Communion Preparation

Available on the table in the foyer

### Nursery

10 Holley Dalman

17 Shelby Garner & 24 Connie Kelly

### October

1 Tara Nash, 8 Cara Dawes  
15 Amy Nash, 22 Kelley Branch  
& 29 Dona Hagin

### Visitors' Center

10 Carla Sorrell/Linda Johnson

### Care of Building

1-15 David Poskevich/Eric Hagin  
16-30 David Hopkins/Hugh Kelly

### Media Center

### 10th

Sound Board Jon Buckner  
Streaming Dennis Graham  
Projector Holden Cella

### Wednesday Devotionals

September 13 — Greg Nash  
September 20 — Ray Russell

### September Birthday

**13** Morgan Boelsterli  
**14** Decieta Lyons  
**15** Crystin Guldedge  
**16** Theresa Greene  
**19** Byron Higginbotham  
**23** Autumn Buckner  
Chelsey Russell  
Jayden Russell  
**25** Annette Butler  
**26** Cara Dawes  
**27** Holden Cella  
**28** Scott Kelly

### Records You Made – September 10, 2023

Bible Classes	88-6 Units Online
10 am Worship	147-10 Units Online
5 pm Worship	59-11 Units Online
Offering	\$13,808.67
Wednesday Bible Study	69-8 Units Online

**Attendance  
QR Code**  
Use your phone  
and add your  
family  
information



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Bring your joyful spirit and voice, joining so many others -  
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Sunday, 19 November 2023  
We will begin promptly at  
2:00 pm.

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Refreshments will be served

**In SEARCH of  
the Lord's Way  
With Phil Sanders**  
Sunday at 7:30am,  
Stations 69 or 45

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



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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

### 9:00 AM Practical Evangelism

In this session, Rob reviews the seven principles of evangelism and provides a practical example of them in action.

### 10:00 AM Evangelism During Difficult Times

Don't let difficult times close doors because they actually create opportunities.

### 5:00 PM On Some Have Compassion

Learn how to set up an effective and efficient evangelistic card ministry with amazing results.

### 6:00 PM Congregational Evangelism

Go "ye" means go "all." Learn how to get the whole congregation involved.

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—Allen Webster

*"Rob doesn't just preach it; he practices it."*  
—Robby Eversole

### SPEAKER



Rob Whitacre

### Rob Whitacre

Rob was born in Carbondale, Illinois. His education includes a two-year diploma from Southwest School of Bible Studies, a graduate certificate in Sacred History from Southwest School of Bible Studies, and a B.A. from Southern Christian University. He started preaching in 1997 and currently serves as an evangelist for House to House/Heart to Heart in Jacksonville, Alabama, where he trains congregations in personal evangelism.

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# Basic Facts from...The REVELATION (Part 8)

by Dave Rogers

Chapters 12-13 mark the pivotal point of the Revelation; the "picture" widens in scope to present the "contest" between heaven and hell on a much more comprehensive scale. John's attention no longer focuses only on the plight of the oppressed saints; now he sees the conflict between good and evil from a *heavenly* perspective. Satan's purpose and activities, along with the "allies" who serve him in the world are vividly pictured. This fearful vision is followed in chapter 14 by the image of Jesus – the Lamb – gathered with His faithful saints to act as the great *Vindicator* of their faith and as the *Judge* who executes justice upon the earth (humanity).

What John sees explains and puts into a larger context Imperial Rome's hostility against the church, which was growing even as John wrote. Jesus had foretold such persecution and hatred during His personal ministry (John 15:20); what John now sees depicts the conflict that began in the garden of Eden. These images show the saints that the suffering *they* are about to experience is actually part of this much **larger** conflict, and they are meant to reassure them that even though their adversary continues to struggle against the Almighty, the crucial battle had already been won when Jesus arose in triumph from death and the grave (cf. Acts 2:24).

Beginning at Revelation 13:7 John shows a sort of "Divine flashback," a glimpse of **God's** view of Jesus' birth and king Herod's attempt to kill Him. This vision is expressed in symbols and images *common* to the apocalyptic writings of that time, and they would be readily understood across a number of cultures. John had marked the beginning of a new series of visions at vs. 1 by introducing them with a new word (in this book) – "**sign**," meaning a "pointer" or indicator – a *portent*. (The disciples used this same word in Matthew 24:3 in asking Jesus for a "sign" of His coming, and of the end of the world.) John now sees a woman, a dragon, and a male child (verses 1-6), followed by images of war in heaven that culminate in the dragon's being vanquished. The dragon then (unsuccessfully) turns his dying fury against the woman.

The visions of chapters 13-14 continue the narrative of battle that began in chapter 12, introducing two of the dragon's "agents," a sea-beast and a land-beast. Their appearance emphasizes that the dragon continues to touch the whole world with such power as he still has.

These beasts reflect the dragon's hatred for the church; having failed to destroy the man-child in chapter 12, he turns his fury against the saints. That the beasts cover both sea and land suggests that they symbolize all the worldly power he can muster against the church – politically, morally, or emotionally. The **unifying** characteristic of these figures is their unbending malevolence toward the Christ and His people. In one sense, the dragon and the beasts form a sort of "false trinity" in contrast to the Godhead.

After the fury and terror of these visions, the **tranquility** of Revelation 14:1-5 is a welcome change! Here John sees a Lamb on Mt. Zion, surrounded by 144,000 redeemed ones, all singing a new song. This is followed by three angels who call for the repentance of all people, announce the fall of "Babylon," and warn of the consequences of worshipping the beast and accepting his mark. The dire warnings of these angels are followed (in 14:13) by words of comfort and reassurance before the Son of Man commands His angels to reap the "harvest" of earth and gather in her "vintage" in the final verses of this chapter.

## 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](http://www.fcoc.com) ☐ click on "live broadcast."

## Family Matters

**New Brother!** **Elijah Branch** made the good confession and was baptized into Christ last Sunday morning! Welcome our new brother!

**Deepest Sympathy:** To the family of Sister Una Fortson. Sister Una passed away last Sunday. Funeral arrangements are pending at this time. Please keep her family in your prayers.

## Keep in Prayer

Ginny Couch – Will have an elbow procedure Monday, September 11.

Jeanelle McNease – Is being evaluated for a kidney transplant.

Sue Riley – Is scheduled for an evaluation on Sept. 12-13 at City of Hope Hospital in Newnan  
Sally Wallace – Will have 2 surgeries over the next several months.

Bridgett Sharpe – Rick's sister is having some health issues.

Evelyn King – Annette Butler's aunt from Columbus will have surgery on Friday.

## Continue Prayers for:

Jim Pelfrey – Is continuing immuno-therapy.

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

Mary Lawrence – The Oaks at Fayetteville, 1294 Hwy 54, Room 107, Fayetteville, GA 30214. Visitors are welcome!

Doris Buckner – Palmetto Parks c/o Doris Buckner, 510 Perkins Road, Unit #137, Palmetto, GA 30268

## Members With Health Issues:

Annette Butler, Luann Rogers, Brenda Mitchell, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge, Ray & Tina Russell, Yvonne Bettis, Arnie & Maggie Miller, Ivan Gonzalez, Margie Fields, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, Brian Harris, Tom & Christie Belk

## Shut-ins:

Harry & Mattie Williams, Ruby Fowler, and Estell Higginbotham

## Missionaries and their families:

Graham & Beth McDonald-Scotland,  
Victor & Esperanza González Geronimo-Mexico  
Scott & Rebecca Shanahan-Italy

## Welcome to our Family

**Tracey, Kiska  
& Kiersten Gear**  
**344 Whitney Lane**  
**McDonough, GA 30253**

## Calendar Events

**September 12, 10am** – Tuesday Morning Bible Study

**September 17** – Congregational Evangelism Training

**September 24** – 4th Sunday Covered Dish Meal,  
followed by our PM Song Service.

Bring lunch for yourself and some to share with our visitors! (There will be **no** 5:00 PM service on the 24th.)

## Church of Christ Area Wide Events

September 15-16 - Middle Ga Bible Lectures at  
Hartley Bridge Rd COC

September 16—Ladies' Day at Forest Park

October 14 — Ladies' Day at Conyers

October 19-22 - 51st World Mission Forum  
at Forest Park COC

## Bible Bowl & Snacks

### September

10 - Fairyon Cella

17 - Samantha Phillips

24 - Crystin Gullede

### October

1 - Catherine Harris

8 - Tina Russell  
15 - Jeanelle McNease  
22 - Yvonne Bettis  
29 - Michele Chapman

### November

5 - Susie Graham

12 - Susan Pelfrey

26 - Sandy Garner

## Youth Calendar

### September

10 — Teen Sing at the home  
of Allene Scoma

20 — Family Fellowship Meal  
(Bring your dinner and join us)

22-24 — "Deep" Youth Experience in Leeds, Al