

### Sunday Worship Assignments

Call to Worship — David Gulleddge  
Scripture Reading — Tucker Hopkins  
Song Leader — Coney Johnson  
Prayer — Steve Hopkins  
Preside Lord's Supper — Eric Hagin  
Usher — Bobby Johnson  
Sermon — Dave Rogers  
Closing Prayer — Jim Garner

### PM Service

Announcements — Dave Rogers  
Song Leader — Coney Johnson  
Prayer — JD Branch  
Sermon — David Gulleddge  
Lord's Supper — Eric Hagin  
Prayer — Ethan Boelsterli

### Communion Preparation

Available on the table in the foyer

### Nursery

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

### Visitors' Center

1 Connie Kelly/Lisa Tittle  
8 Sally Wallace/Sue Riley  
15 Sandy Garner/Barbara Edmonds  
29 Kathleen Johnson/Denise Greene

### November

5 Allene Scoma/Theresa Green  
12 Toni Stinson/Janis Libby  
19 Carla Sorrell/Linda Johnson

### Care of Building

Oct 1-15 Jack Sorrell/JD Branch  
16-31 Andy Johnson/Steve Esler

### Media Center

### 1st

Sound Board — Ethan Boelsterli  
Streaming — Holden Cella  
Projector — Steve Esler

### Wednesday Devotionals

October 4 — Tucker Hopkins  
October 11 — Paul Lyons



**Sorry!**  
**Thankful**

You are invited to ...

**ThanksSinging 2023**

Bring your joyful spirit and voice, joining so many others -  
lifting our voices together in *ThanksSinging!*

Sunday, 19 November 2023  
We will begin promptly at  
2:00 p.m.

Fayetteville church of Christ  
870 Redwine Road  
Fayetteville, GA 30215  
770-461-3617

Refreshments will be served

### October Birthdays

2  
Ruby Fowler  
Denise Greene

4  
Andrew Dalman  
Stan Mitchell

10  
JD Branch  
Katherine Hopkins

14  
Ashley Glakas  
Jo Ruffer

18  
Catherine Kelly

22  
Jedidiah Cella

23  
Jake Garner

24  
Curtis Hurt

25  
Jimmy Garner

27  
Staci Killingsworth

Terri Durden  
Emily Hagin  
Joan Poskevich  
Tina Russell

28  
Andy Johnson

29  
Andrew Williams

30  
Joshua Kelly

### **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 channel 57

### **Records You Made – September 24, 2023**

Bible Classes	84-12 Units Online
10 am Worship	135-11 Units Online
5 pm Worship	n/a Units Online
Offering	\$6,256.04
Wednesday Bible Study	63-8 Units Online

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



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## **Basic Facts from...The REVELATION (Part 11)**

by Dave Rogers

In Revelation 12-17 John saw Satan (the "dragon") and his allies (the "beasts" and then the "great harlot") presented as emblems of the evil one's power and overwhelming determination to conquer the faithful through persecution, trial and seduction. From chapter 17:16 onward he saw these same forces being overcome – in reverse order – by the power of God (first the harlot, 18:2, then the "beasts," 19:19-21, and finally in chapter 20, the "dragon" himself, Satan). Just as Satan's servants had set themselves to do battle against the Lord (only to be summarily dispatched, without so much as "firing a shot"), John now sees the evil one himself bound (and then loosed *as if* to make war against the Lamb) and finally judged (20:10) along with his allies – **all WITHOUT being allowed to actually "do battle" against the Lord!**

The "takeaway" from the last chapters of Revelation? **The final outcome is never in question: God is in complete control of these events, and "the dragon" is only able to do what He permits.**

While Revelation 20 *does* mention a 1,000-year "reign," this is the only place in scripture where it is mentioned. (The number "1,000" represents 10 X 10 X 10, with "10" generally understood as representing *fulness*, raised to perfection by being multiplied three times.) The first ten verses of this chapter are the virtual "heart" of millennial doctrines about Jesus and His kingdom, and those who *impose these views on the bible* envision a literal **earthly** paradise, with Jesus ruling for 1,000 years from David's throne in Jerusalem. They assert that all Jews will (miraculously) convert to Christianity, and perfect harmony will exist during that time among all peoples on a "renovated" earth that is no longer influenced or affected by Satan. Note, however, that **Revelation 20:1-10 mentions NONE of these things.**

Chapter 21 shows **the destiny of the redeemed**, a stunningly magnificent climax to the visions John has seen and a fitting conclusion to this last book of the bible. John's vision takes us beyond the great and terrible day of *Judgement* to show the **ultimate** destination of God's faithful. Amid a "new" creation described as a "new heaven and a new earth" (21:1), God's people experience the blessing of perfect fellowship in His presence forever. All their trials and difficulties are over; neither pain nor sorrow is there; John's inspired image of that "city" clearly describes something that beggars the imagination!

The final chapter of the Revelation continues the description of life in eternity: God's saints have free access to the river of the *water* of life (cf. John 7:37-38) and the *tree* of life (cf. Genesis 2:9 & 3:22-24), and they see the face of God (note also Matthew 5:8). These images show God's perfect and eternal provision for His children; **everything** we could need or want is there, we lack nothing!

The angel showing John these things stresses in vs. 6 that what he sees must "shortly" come to pass. John falls at his feet to worship, only to be corrected once more and then instructed to leave the book he has just written "**unsealed**" (this shows that its contents concerned those who would originally read it in John's own time). Verses 10-16 recount in the words of the Lord Jesus Himself a series of contrasts that emphasize the *certainty* with which judgement is approaching and the *inexorable* quality of the division it **will** produce. The book concludes with an invitation, an admonition, and a benediction.

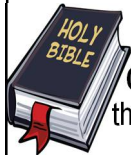
## **Bible Bowl & Snacks**

### 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



## Calendar Events

**October 4** - Wednesday Bible class for adults & teens will be moved to the fellowship hall. Topic: "Reaching Those Wondering What to Believe"

**October 22** - 4th Sunday Covered Dish Meal



**October 29** - Trunk-n-Treat after the PM Service

**November 18, 2 - 4:30pm** — ThanksSinging!

## October Youth Calendar

14 - FROG's Day



15 TeenSing at the Pakiz home

21 Youth Day at Oak Hill COC



28 Uncle Shuck's Corn Maze & Haunted Trail



October 29

*Trunk  
or Treat*

### Church of Christ Area Wide Events

October 14 — Ladies' Day at Conyers

October 15-19 — Gospel Meeting at Lithia Springs Church of Christ,  
Speaker: Glenn Colley

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

November 10-11 — Peachtree City Church of Christ will have a Holiday Market at their church building. They are looking for vendors with home-based businesses.

Everyone is invited. No vendor fee.

If you are interest call or text Gail Sims 404 583-8339 or Regina Jennings 205 826-0430.

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

## Family Matters

### Keep in Prayer

Mary Lawrence — Is in Piedmont Fayette with cellulitis.

Ruby Fowler — Is in Piedmont Newnan Hospital with heart issues.

Jeanelle McNease — Is waiting on the results from an evaluation for a kidney transplant

Maggie Miller — Had a treatment last week and is waiting on results.

Sue Riley — Is scheduled for surgery October 11th at City of Hope Hospital in Newnan

Sally Wallace — Will have surgery October 16th.

Aukse Harris — Linda Armstrong's adopted daughter is recovering from cancer surgery.

Mark Royal — Allene Scoma's stepson-in-law had to stop chemo treatments for liver cancer.

Jerry Cauthen — Joan Poskevich's brother is having health issues after his stroke.

Karen Lepore — Giuli DeBrown's mother is hospitalized with cellulitis in her leg.

### Members Who Need Prayers

Melinda Armstrong, Margie Fields, Jim Pelfrey, Ginny Couch, Annette Butler, Brenda Mitchell, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge, Ray Russell, Yvonne Bettis, Ivan Gonzalez, RuPearl Sharpe, Brian Harris, Tom Belk

### Continue Prayers for:

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 — Doris Buckner c/o Palmetto Parks, 519 Perkins Road, Unit #137, Palmetto, GA 30268

### Shut-ins:

Harry & Mattie Williams, Ruby Fowler, and Estell Higginbotham

### Missionaries and their families:

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

### Others With Health Problems:

Bridget Sharpe (Rick's sister), Evelyn King (Annette Butler's aunt), Candy Krafft (Giuli DeBrown's cousin), Cathy Steinbach (Debbie Walding's sister); Anthony Ravenell, Jerry Cauthen (Joan Poskevich's brother); Patricia Walker (Mattie Williams's sister); Catherine Burton (Jeanelle McNease's stepmother); Karen Gower (Holley Dalman's mother); Joyce Brown (Janine Esler's grandmother); Benson Smith (Harry's brother); Myrtie Robinson (Sue Riley's sister); Jackie Couch (Ginny's husband); Xernona Fortson; Ruth King (Melanie Boelsterli's aunt); Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe's sister); Lamar Elder; Carol Waites (Connie Kelly's sister); Shirley Johnson (Andy's mother); Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's parents); Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents); Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family); and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

Dear Fayetteville Family,

Thank you for the cards, calls, texts, and most importantly the prayers during my surgery and recovery. I am much better and thankful for the love and care you showed to me.

In Christian love, Annette Butler

*Thank  
You*

Dear Fayetteville Family,

Words are not adequate to express my gratitude for the love and care that you all extended to me and my family during the illness and passing of my mother. From meals, support, calls texts and flowers, there is little doubt that love of Christ is strong in our congregation.

Thank you, Janine Esler