### **Communion Preparation**

Available on the table in the foyer

#### Nursery

10 Jenny Gwinn

17 Melody Johnson

24 Katherine Hopkins

31 Melanie Boelsterli

#### Visitors' Center

10 Allene Scoma/Brandi Moore17 Toni Stinson/Janis Libby24 Carla Sorrell/Linda Johnson

#### **Care of Building**

1-15 Hugh Kelly/Eric Hagin 16-31 David Poskevich/Dennis Graham

#### **Media Center**

#### Mar 3

Sound Board — DJ Phillips Streaming — Steve Esler Projector — Eric Hagin

#### Mar 10

Sound Board — Jon Buckner Streaming — Dennis Graham Projector — Holden Cella

#### Mar 17

Sound Board — Ethan Boelsterli Streaming — Eric Hagin Projector — Dennis Graham

#### Mar 24

Sound Board — DJ Phillips Streaming — Holden Cella Projector — Steve Esler

#### Mar 31

Sound Board — Jon Buckner Streaming — Steve Esler Projector — Eric Hagin

### **Wednesday Devotionals**

13 — Jon Buckner20 — Ethan Boelsterli27 — Tucker Hopkins

# **Worship Assignments**

Call to Worship - Jonah Dawes
Scriptures - Tucker Hopkins
Song Leader - Stan Mitchell
Prayer - Jack Sorrell
Lord's Supper - Dale Findley
Usher - Larry Rose
Sermon - Dave Rogers
Closing Prayer - Jon Buckner

Evening Service
Young Men
Leading
Worship

# WATCH! The Fountain of Life

#### Georgia School of Preaching-South Metro Campus

http://gsoponline.org/ gsop-fayetteville-campus Holden Cella, Campus Director

## In SEARCH of the Lord's Way With Phil Sanders Sunday at 7:30am, Stations 69 or 45 What God Wants For Me

Mar 17
Spiritual and Religious
Mar 24
Our Adversary

#### Records You Made - March 3, 2024

Bible Classes 10 am Worship 5 pm Worship Offering Wednesday 97-16 Units Online 162-28 Units Online N/A Units Online \$13,643.04 62-8 Units Online

Attendance QR Code Use your phone and add your family





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# Who ARE You? (Part 1)

by Dave Rogers

**Who are you?** How you "describe" yourself tells a lot about what's genuinely important in your own mind! Our self-identities might include words like *husband* or *wife, parent* or *child, teacher* or *student,* or perhaps a description of your *occupation.* I **hope** the word at the "top" of your list is "**Christian!**" In a brief series of articles, we'll take note of several new testament words the Holy Spirit used to describe those who have trusted in and obeyed Jesus' instructions for forgiveness of their sins and hope of eternal salvation. This will (obviously!) not be an "exhaustive" list, but a look at of some terms to help each of us reflect on how **GOD** sees us, and how we *should* want others to see us (as Christians).

In Ephesians 2:19 Paul describes Christians as, "...no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God...." Focus on ONE word here: Saints.

The new testament uses this word about **60 times** (the singular form is only used *once*, in Philippians 4:21). NO ONE in the new testament was ever described as "saint so-and-so." About **40 times**, this word refers specifically to Christians (other uses include the saved/faithful of *all* ages). The Greek word for "saint" is *hagios*, meaning "something holy." It's the same word used to describe God Himself; Christ; the Spirit; and angels. To be "holy" means to be dedicated, purified, consecrated so that we can be in God's presence. In the old testament, things that were *dedicated* to God – the temple, the altar, and the sanctuary – were also called "holy" because they belonged to Him. **No one who does not belong to God is ever called "holy" in the bible**.

This is a word that clearly refers to **Christians** in passages like Acts 9:13 and 26:10. In passages like Romans 1:7, 1 Corinthians 1:2, Ephesians 1:1, and Philippians 1:1, "saints" specifically refers to members of the *congregations* in those places. It is also associated with specific *actions* and *attitudes* in passages like 1 Corinthians 6:1-2 and Colossians 1:4.

Just as no person in the bible is ever addressed as "saint so-and-so," neither is any person in the new testament is ever called a saint who was not a **Christian** – a member of the church. What this tells us is that **being** a saint means **LIVING** in a very distinctive way (in submission to God's instructions, without objections or complaints). It means being aware every day of God's love for us, Romans 1:7. It means taking comfort and confidence in knowing that God's Spirit is "on our side" when we struggle, Romans 8:27. It means serving one another, Romans 12:13 & 15:25-31, and 1 Corinthians 16:15. Being a saint means respecting and helping one another, Romans 16:1-2 & 15, and it means WORKING to "be at peace" with each other, 1 Corinthians 14:33. (**More to come**)



# SAVE THE DATE!

THE GEORGIA SCHOOL OF PREACHING & BIBLICAL STUDIES CAMPUS AT FOREST PARK

# Powerful Women of the Bible

Thursday, March 14, 6-8pm Friday, March 15, 6-8pm Saturday, March 16, 9am-5pm

> Speakers: Debbie Kea & **Luann Rogers**

Childcare will be provided Lunch served on Saturday







# Youth Calendar

### March

15-17 - SOAR Weekend

23 - Breakfast & Kite Day with the FROGs

29-31 - LTL Convention Week-end

## March

## **Birthdays**

Earlie Steele Jenny Gwinn 18 Christie Belk

Sue Rilev Brenda Mitchell Kelley Branch

Dennis Etheridge Rebecca Harrison Burma Chapman Tracev Gear

#### Bible Bowl & Snacks

#### March

10 Katherine Hopkins 17 Terri Durden

# **Calendar Events**

March 10 - Evangelism Group 2

March 17 - Evangelism Group 3



March 24 - Evangelism Group 4 Lunch after the morning service

#### March 29-31

Lads to Leaders/Leaderette Convention Week-end

#### April 21, 3pm "Baby Boy" Dawes Shower Jonah & Cara are registered at

**BABYLIST.COM** 

The couple would like to purchase a wagon that they will use during youth events for their baby. See Susie for information.

April 29, Monday - Life Line Screening

Carotid Artery, Peripheral Arterial Disease, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm & Atrial Fibrillation

To register call 844-5917160, text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607 or online at mttps://llsa.social/HC

# **Area Wide Events**

March 10-14 — Gospel Meeting at Lithia Springs COC "The First Century Gospel

in the Twenty-First Century" — Speaker: Eric Garner March 16—Ladies' Day at Bremen COC

Speaker: Becky Blackmon

March 16—Middle Fayette COC Spring Seminar, Growing Stronger Spiritually, Speaker: Steve Vice March 16—Ladies' Day at Hartley Bridge Rd COC Esther, Queen of Persia "For Such A Time As This"

Speaker: Celicia Cason Grider

April 29—May 1 - Ladies' classes at Forest Park COC.

"Be Still and Know...Psalm 64:10" Speaker: Cindy Colley

#### **Congregational Directory System**

The online church directory is up for you to use. If your email address is in the system vou should have received a welcome email from "Lightpost" asking you to "Create a New Password." If you did not receive this email let the church office know so we can get it corrected. This system is email access only for your security.

#### WELCOME, VISITORS!

# Family Matters

**Sympathy**: To the family of brother Bill Ruffer. Bro. Bill passed away last Monday and the funeral is today (March 10th), in Woodbury, Tennessee. Please keep Sister Jo and her family in your prayers.

## Keep in Prayer

Jim & Sandy Garner - Bro Jim is home with shingles. Sandy got a good report. Russell Glakas – Is waiting for test results. Yvonne Bettis - Will have eye surgery in 2 weeks. Her doctor has guarantined her until after the surgery. Calls are welcome. Bro Lucio Montero (Mexico) - Is losing his eyesight due to complications from diabetes. Randy Ognio - Melody Johnson's father is experiencing some health issues.

## **Members Who Need Prayers**

Greg & Amy Nash, Ray & Tina Russell, Harry & Susan Smith, Clay & Susan Posey, Arnie & Maggie Miller, Dyan Correll, Sally Wallace, David & Sue Riley, Hugh & Connie Kelly, Theresa Green, Tom & Christy Belk, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, Margie Fields, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Yvonne Bettis & Brian Harris

# **Continue Prayers for:**

Doris Buckner - Doris Buckner, 519 Perkins Road, Unit #137, Palmetto, GA 30268 Burma Chapman - Hope Center Memory Care, 355 Brandywine Blvd, Sunny Suite #10, Fayetteville, GA 30214.

Jeanelle McNease - 3969 Camellia Trail. Conley, GA

#### **Shut-ins:**

Harry & Mattie Williams, Ruby Fowler, Estell Higginbotham, Ivan Gonzalez & Maria Liciaga

#### Our Missionaries and their families:

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

#### Others With Health Problems:

Lynn Ward, Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash), William & Ebbie Wheless and Kenny & Judy Maynard (friends of Brandi Moore), Cathy Oliver (Brenda Mitchell's mother), Sue Gallaher (Frances Kelly), Earl Hopkins, Jenene Johnson (Tara Nash), Susan Little (Jenny Gwinn), Jonelda Hutson & Benson Smith (Susan Smith), Aukse Harris (Linda Armstrong), Jerry & Lynn Cauthen (Joan Poskevich), Bridget Sharpe (Rick), Patricia Walker (Mattie Williams); Joyce Brown (Janine Esler), Jackie Couch (Ginny); Ruth King (Melanie Boelsterli); Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe); Lamar Elder (Decieta & Connie Elder); Shirley Johnson (Andy); Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry); and Joe & Judy Hand (Allene Scoma).

# Welcome our new Sister in Christ!

**Rebecca Goins 125 Martin Court** Fayetteville, GA 30215 973-572-3447

Dear Fayetteville Family,

Thank you so much for many cards, calls, texts and words of encouragement regarding my recent eye issues. Your kindness has made my "new normal" so much easier of a transition for me. Most importantly, I want to thank you for the many prayers that have been offered on my behalf. Having you as a loving Christian family has been such a blessing to both Amy and myself. Eternally grateful, Greg Nash

Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers, Mom always loved her "church" family. The arrangement was pretty. Steve & Leslie Lawrence