# **Calendar Events**

- \* **Dec. 23** Midweek Bible Study is moved from Wednesday, 12/24 to Tuesday, 12/23.
- Dec. 31 Game Night right after Wednesday mid-week service. Bring your favorite game and snacks.
- \* **Jan. 10** Trip to downtown Atlanta for our annual Feed the Homeless. See the schedule to the right for this event.

# **Youth Events/Activities**

\* January 16-18 2026 - GULF rally for 6th -8th grade. See Matt if you are interested in attending.

# Opportunity to Help our Youth Program

Check out the Youth News bulletin board around the corner from the church office. Each feather has an item you can help purchase to update and refurnish our youth ministry needs. Scan the QR code to see and purchase the item. Thank you for your contributions to our youth ministry.



### FEED THE HOMELESS

# Save the Date: January 10th

For those interested in helping or attending this event, here is the schedule.

### **Schedule**

- 1/8 (Thursday 6pm 8 pm) Sorting Clothes
- 1/9 (Friday 1 pm till finished) Sorting Clothes

#### January 10

- 10:00 am sandwiches, make bags, load items
- 12:00 pm arrive at downtown
- Lunch at the Varsity afterwards

#### **November Items Needed**

Peanut butter/cheese crackers Granola bars/breakfast bars

#### **December Items Needed**

Hats, gloves, sweat pants, sweat shirts, coats, jackets, warm socks - Anything warm to wear

Congratulations to Gail and Michele Chapman on the birth of Gail's first grandson and Michele's first nephew. Alden Pruitt Agnew arrived on 12/17/25 weighing 7 lbs. 12 ozs.

Proud parents are Mallory and Ian Agnew.



#### 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 hand it to a member of the congregation or use the QR code in this bulletin to let us know you are here. We have an attended nursery and a training/cry room available if needed.

#### **Payer Request**

Frances Kelly's grandson's wife, Dawn Shirley, lost her nephew last week.

# Members Who Need Prayers

Arnie Miller, Maggie Miller, Tracey Gear, Margie Fields, Emmett Libby, Clay & Susan Posey, Denise Greene, Curtis & Jo Hurt, Anthony & Toni Stinson, David & Sue Riley, Ginny & Jackie Couch, Sadie Moreland, Sally Wallace, Mack & Sharon Ezell, Jack & Carla Sorrell, Jim & Susan Pelfrey, Catherine Kelly, Kathy Noble, Greg & Amy Nash, Denny & Susie Graham, Theresa Green, Andrew Williams, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Linda Armstrong, Ray & Tina Russell, Hugh & Connie Kelly, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, and Brian Harris

# **Continue Prayers for:**

**Yvonne Bettis** - 108 Red Maple Drive, Peachtree City, GA 30269

**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

**Estell Higginbotham -** Hope Center Memory Care, 355 Brandywine Blvd, Safe Harbor-Room 5, Fayetteville, GA 30214

**Harry & Mattie Williams** - 1483 Hampstead Place, Riverdale, GA 30296

**Ivan Gonzalez & Maria Liciaga** – 403 Chase Marion Way, McDonough, GA 30252

**Jeanelle McNease** – 3969 Camellia Trail, Conley, GA. 30288

#### **Others With Health Problems:**

Tim Lindsey (Jim Lindsey's brother), Ashley Johnson (Andy & Linda Johnson's daughterin-law), Katherine Rincon, (Hugh Kelly's sister), Steve Vice, David Johnson (Andy Johnson's brother), Kennedy Russell, Ann Hutson, Tim Lindsey, Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's mother), Kristie Anderson (Friend of Samantha Phillips), Carol Waites (Connie Kelly's sister), Michael Armstrong (Linda's son), Patsy Carriker, Juanita Steward (Christie Belk's mother), Len Gower (Holley Dalman's father), Earl & Peggy Hopkins (David's parents), Roger Parker, Peggy Dablum (friend of Janis Libby), Lucy Allen (Jodi Burdette's mother), Louise Dennis (Kiska Gear's mother), Candace Butts (Connie Elder's daughter), Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents)

Be sure to fill out a contact card and place it in the office if you know of someone our compassion card groups can contact.

*First Name		Phone	
*Last Name		Email	
*Address		Location for study (If not at home address)	*Date Contacted
CityState	Zip		Appointment Date
Religion	□ Married □ Youth □ Divorced □ Adult □ Single □ Senior		Appointment Time
*Type	Prospecti	ng	Appendict time
☐ New Mover ☐ Door Knocking	☐ Compas	sion Cards	
□ Visitor □ Referral □ Community □ Benevolence Outreach Offered	☐ Meals ☐ Other:		*Who Made Appointment
	☐ Home Study		If Cancelled—Why?
Back to the Bible completed: Com		ondence Course	

#### **Contact Elder - December**

Greg Nash

# Sunday, December 21, 2025

Sermon - David Gulledge
Announcements - Greg Nash
Scripture Reading - Zeke Poskevich
Lord's Supper - Jack Sorrell
Song Leader - Jimmy Garner
Opening Prayer - David Hopkins
Closing Prayer - Paul Lyons

#### **Ushers**

Shirley Allender, Bobby Johnson

# **Worship Coordinator**

David Poskevich

#### **Nursery**

12/21 - Loretta Keith

#### **Welcome Center**

12/21 - Sue Riley

#### **Visitor Luncheon Team**

Ray & Tina Russell Greg & Amy Nash Giuli DeBrown Brandi Moore Gail Chapman

# **Care of Building**

Dec. 16-31 Stan Mitchell, David Poskevich

#### **Media Center**

Sound Board — DJ Phillips Streaming — Ethan Boelsterli Projector — Steve Esler

# <u>PM Service</u> Young Men Lead Service

# Tuesday Mid-Week—12/23 Song Leader—David Hopkins

Devotional - Keith Killingsworth

# December 21 20

731 227-9001 david.gulledge@fcoc.com

**Preacher** 

**David Gulledge** 

# <u>Family Minister</u> Matt Olguin

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# **Citadel Bible Institute**

(Formerly called GSOP)
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Campus Director:
Holden Cella

#### **Our Mission Works**

Graham & Elizabeth McDonald, Scotland

> Victor & Esperanza González-Geronimo. Mexico

Raintree Village Children's Home

# In SEARCH of the Lord's Way With Phil Sanders

Sunday at 7:30am, Stations 69 or 45

# **Elders**

Tom Durden (770) 652-7389 Greg Nash (404) 455-1546 Jim Pelfrey (615) 866-7827 Ray Russell (770) 363-2381

# **Deacons**

Steve Esler
David Hopkins
Andy Johnson
Hugh Kelly
Stan Mitchell
Charles Nash
David Poskevich
Jack Sorrell

Attendance QR Code Use your phone and add your family information



# Assembly Schedule: Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes 10:00 am Worship Service 5:00 pm Worship Service (no PM Service on 4th or 5th Sunday)

# <u>Tuesday Morning Bible Study</u>

10:00 am

(Classes begins Sept 9 - May)

# **Wednesday Evening**

Bible Classes at 7pm

#### Records You Made - December 14

Bible Classes 72-2 Units Online
10 am Worship 136-8 Units Online
5 pm Worship Units Online
Offering \$7,446.85

40-10 Units Online

Wednesday Bible Study

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# THE GIFT THAT COST EVERYTHING

Text: John 3:16; 2 Corinthians 8:9

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

- 1. Christmas is a season of gifts. We think about wrapping paper, price tags, and exchange lists. Often the value of a gift is measured by how much it costs or how hard it was to find. Yet the greatest gift ever given did not come wrapped in ribbon—it came wrapped in sacrifice.
- 2. The message during this season is not about what we give, but about **what God gave**. And how what He gave cost Him everything.

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# **DISCUSSION:**

CONCLUSION

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	A. "For God so loved the world, that He gave" (John 3:16).
	B. God was not to give anything. Humanity had rebelled, sinned, and turned away. Yet God's response was not judgment alone—it was
	a. The gift of Christ was not
	b. It was not
	c. It was not
	c. It was not C. God gave because gives.
II.	THE GIFT A GREAT
	THE GIFT A GREAT A. "Though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor" (2 Corinthians 8:9)
	B. The cost of the gift was not measured in or It was measured in
	humility, suffering, and sacrifice.
	a. Jesus gave up:
	1. The of heaven.
	2. The of divine honor.
	3. The of eternal fellowship.
	<ul><li>3. The of eternal fellowship.</li><li>b. He stepped into poverty, pain, rejection, and ultimately the cross.</li></ul>
	C. The depth of God's is seen in the price He was willing to pay.
III.	THE WAS GIVEN FOR OUR
	C. The depth of God's is seen in the price He was willing to pay.  THE WAS GIVEN FOR OUR  A. "that you through His poverty might become rich." (2 Corinthians 8:9)
	B. Christ did not become poor so we could have moreHe did it so we could have
	more C. Because of this gift, believers receive:
	a instead of guilt. b instead of alienation. c life instead of condemnation. d instead of despair.
	b instead of alienation.
	clife instead of condemnation.
	dinstead of despair.
	D. The riches we receive are spiritual, eternal, and secure.
	E. Truth: Jesus lost everything so we could gain what truly matters.
IV.	THE CALLS FOR A
	A. "That whoever believes in Him should not perish" (John 3:16)
	B. Every gift demands a response. A gift unopened still holds value, but it brings no benefit.
	a. Some the gift but never it.
	b. This gift is received by and faith requires
	C. Hear (Rom. 10:17); Believe (Jn. 20:31); Repent (Lk. 13:3); Confess (Rom. 10:10); Be baptized (Gal. 3:17).
	D Application: Have you truly received the gift, or have you only acknowledged it?

1. Christmas is not about how much we spend—it is about how much God spent. The Father gave His Son. The Son gave His life. Heaven gave everything so sinners could be saved.