~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

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Sunday 1st Service Welcome/ Announcements Scripture / Prayer Song Leader	February 11, 9:00 A.M. Michael Hollis Nathan Bell Randy Harp	February 18, 9:00 A.M. Michael Hollis Michael Curseen Randy Harp
Preside Communion  Serving  Preaching  Closing Prayer  Prepare Communion	Larry Richardson Farron Whisenant / Curtis Thomas Alfred Barnes Richard Harp  Donna Williams	Larry Richardson Farron Whisenant/ Curtis Thomas Alfred Barnes Richard Harp  Donna Williams
Sunday 2nd Service Welcome/ Announcements Scripture/ Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer	February 11, 11:30 A.M.  Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Greg Harp Larry Richardson Farron Whisenant / Curtis Thomas Alfred Barnes Michael Curseen	February 18, 11:30 A.M.  Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker Larry Richardson Farron Whisenant / Curtis Thomas Alfred Barnes Greg Harp
Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM	February 13, 7:00 P.M.	February 21, 7:00 P.M.

Weekly Assembly Schedule 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM - Bible Classes 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM - Worship Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 PM (Some variation may be necessary)

## "For Christ Do More In 2024"

What Must I Do To Be Saved?		
Rom. 3:23		
ACts 15:7		
Mk. 16:15-16		
ACts 17:30		
Rom. 10:9-10		
Acts 2:38		
2 Pet. 1:5-11		

Record of A	<del>ttendance</del>
02/04/2024	<u>Total</u>
Sun. Bible Study	43
Sun. 1st Worship	42
Sun. 2nd Worship	43
Wednesday Evening	13
Contribution	\$5,264.00



# The Tara Beacon

Tara Church of Christ 1820 Highway 138 P.O. Box 1145 Jonesboro, GA 30237

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"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Psalm 119:130

## Tara Church of Christ 770-471-7300 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

#### SUNDAY

1st Worship 9:00 am Bible Class 10:30 am 2nd Worship 11:30 am

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study

#### Ministers

7:00 pm

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### THE (SCIENTIFIC) DEATH OF JESUS

At the age of 33, Jesus was condemned to death. Crucifixion was the "worst" death. Only the worst criminals were condemned to be crucified. Jesus was nailed to the cross by His hands and feet, rather than tied.... Each nail was 6 to 8 inches long. The nails were driven into His wrist. Not into His palms as is commonly portrayed. There's a tendon in the wrist that extends to the shoulder. The Roman guards knew that when the nails were

being hammered into the tear and break, forcing muscles to support himself, Both of His feet were was forced to support Himimpaled His feet to the support himself with His the pain, so He was forced ing His back and using his breath. Imagine the strug-



wrist, that tendon would Jesus to use His back so that He could breathe. nailed together. Thus He self on the single nail that cross. Jesus could not legs for long because of to alternate between archlegs just to continue to gle, the pain, the suffering,

the courage. Jesus endured this reality for over 3 hours. Can you imagine this kind of suffering? A few minutes before He died, Jesus stopped bleeding. He was simply pouring water from His wounds. From common images we see wounds to His hands and feet and even the spear wound to His side... But do we remember the many wounds made to His body? A hammer driving large nails through the wrists, the feet overlapped and a nail hammered through the arches, then a Roman guard piercing His side with a spear. And...before the nails and the spear, Jesus was whipped and beaten. The whipping was so severe that it tore the flesh from His body. The beating so horrific that His face was torn and His beard ripped from His face. The crown of thorns (two to three inch thorns) cut deeply into His scalp. Most men would not have survived this torture. He had no more blood to bleed out, only water poured from His wounds.. The human adult body contains about 5.6 liters (just over a gallon) of blood. All these without mentioning the humiliation He passed after carrying His own cross for almost 2 kilometers (1 1/4 miles), while the crowd spat in His face and threw stones (the cross beam was almost 30 kg of weight, to which His hands were nailed). Let us remember His death each 1st day of the Week. (Acts 20:7) He died for you and me. Copied & Modified

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## Our Prayer List

**Shawn Clevinger,** son of Ralph Clevinger, the preacher in Greenville Tennessee, has stage 4 lymphoma cancer.

**Doris Pate**— has been moved to Laurel Park for rehab. Cards can be sent to: Laurel Park Doris Pate Room #113A,1050 Hospital Dr. Stockbridge, GA. 30281. She can have visitors 8:00AM to 8:00PM.

**Leshon Cheely,** friend of Maylene Lamey, has stage 4 cancer. Pray for her son Devon as he cares for her. **Nancy Whisenant,** is recovering from surgery.

Frank Johnson, is recovering from surgery.

Henrietta Jones, is taking some treatments.

Deanna Biddulph, sister-in-law of Scott Richards,

has breast cancer. She had surgery on Friday.

**Shannon Deleon,** niece of Scott Richards, will have brain surgery soon.

Continued Prayer List—Josiah nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friend Pauline Noel, Don Cheek, Sal & Barbara Joseph, Bernice Harris, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison's mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes. Send Cards, Make Calls, Show your Love and Care!

#### **Activities And Events**

Today- 9:00 A.M. 1st morning service.

Today- Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 10:30A.M.

Today-11:30 A.M. 2nd service.

Wednesday night Bible class-7:00 P.M.

Feb. 25-29- 2024 Progressive Gospel Meeting,

Topic- "Pressing toward the Mark." See bulletin board for more info.

#### **Continued Prayer List**

Pat Rainwater, friend of Steve Pollard, has cancer and needs our prayers.

Gainell Green, sister of Willie Green, is at home. She is being taken care of at home.

**Havanna Goebel,** is still experiencing pain. It was great to hear she is doing better.

Ericka Lee, Havanna Goebel joyfully reports her daughter, Ericka, is improving. Her tumors have shrunk. God hears our prayers. Cards can be sent to: Ericka Lee, 1030 E. Ocean Blvd, Unit 601 Long Beach, Ca 90802.

**Vera Pollard,** daughter-in-law of Paul Pollard and niece of Steve, Donna Williams and Robin Wilson. Vera is improving. Keep this family in your prayers.

**Donald Favor**, brother of Havanna Goebel, had a massive heart attack. Prayers are needed.

### 2024 Zambia Mission Trip

Pray for Scott as he is on another mission trip. He is opening another school of preaching. Pray for the success of the trip and Scott's safe return.

### **New Directory**

Debbie is finalizing an updated directory for the congregation. Any corrections needed on your information needs to be given to Debbie. Please text any updates to 770-265-2966 or call her this next week.

In Search Of The Lord's Way Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM

02/11 /24 "Examine Yourselves" 02/18 /24 "A Sin-Sick Soul" 02/25 /24 "Freedom In Christ"



## **ELDERS' COMMENTS**

Worship is a personal matter between the individual Christian and the God of heaven and earth. Though we should engage in private worship on a regular basis (prayer, scripture reading, meditation, etc.), the public assembly of the church is vitally important to the faithful. But being present is one thing, and worshiping is another. Worship involves both the body and the mind. Our thoughts, emotions and heart are directed and focused in praise to our Father. Lip service is not worship. (Matt.15:8,9) Worship requires effort; it does not just happen simply because we are present in the assembly. Since the Lord knows the very thoughts of our heart, we must be sure that our individual worship in the assembly is from the heart. It must be "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24) Only then is it accepted, and only then is it spiritually edifying to the worshiper.

## **EPISTLES OF CHRIST**

In Paul's second letter to the Corinthians, he wrote, "You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men; Clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink, but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart". (II Cor.3:2,3) God's word, translated into human life, is a most important epistle, "known and read by all men". People will know the author of our life, whether it be Christ or Satan.

**Historical Writing Material -** Many different materials have been used for writing. Men first wrote on stones, or on clay tablets. Then they learned how to use the skins of animals to make parchment. Later, papyrus was used to make writing material. Today, we are able to obtain a wide variety of things on which we can write. All writing materials must be prepared before being used. The animal skins had to be scraped, washed, stretched and dried; the papyrus was rubbed down with pumice; and our paper today is made from rags and pulp wood.

God's Writing Material - The human mind (or spiritual heart) is the writing material God uses. He writes a living message into the living hearts of mankind. Likewise, the heart must be prepared beforehand by hearing, believing and obeying the gospel. Only then are we ready to become an epistle of Christ. "But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness". (Rom.6:17,18)

God's Writing Tool - He does not write with pen and ink, nor does He write with His finger, as He gave the Ten Commandments. (Ex. 31:18) But we, as human epistles, are written "by the Spirit of the living God". In the first century the Spirit worked miraculously, giving God's revelation and inspiration to the apostles and prophets. The Spirit spoke and wrote through them. (I Cor.2:9-13) During that time the Holy Spirit inspired these men to produce the inspired book, which serves as God's writing tool until the end of time. And just as they heard the word from the inspired men, we hear the word from the inspired book, welcoming it "not as the word of men, but as it is truth, the word of God which also effectively works in those who believe". (I Thess.2:13)

**The Message of the Letters -** The message written on our hearts and expressed in our lives depends on our response to it. When we receive and obey what God has written, the message will be loud and clear. People will read and know the Christ, His church, hHs plan of salvation, His name, His pattern of worship, hHs mission and the life H e has ordered as they read our individual epistles. How does your epistle read?

Richard

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Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!