

~~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~~		
<b><u>Sunday 1st Service</u></b>  Welcome ~ Announcements Opening Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer  Prepare Communion	<b><u>August 17, 9:00 A.M.</u></b>  Michael Hollis Patrick Brown Russ Baker Randy Harp Levi Madden/Dylan Madden Alfred Barnes Dylan Madden  Katie Kirkland	<b><u>August 24, 9:00 A.M.</u></b>  Michael Hollis Richard Harp Russ Baker Randy Harp Levi Madden/Dylan Madden Alfred Barnes Nathan Bell  Donna Williams
<b><u>Sunday 2nd Service</u></b>  Welcome ~ Announcements Opening Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Preaching Closing Prayer  <b><u>Bible Study Evening 7:00</u></b>	<b><u>August 17, 11:30 A.M.</u></b>  Michael Hollis Michael Curseen Eugene Sherman Randy Harp Alfred Barnes Willie Green  <b><u>August 20, 7:00 P.M.</u></b>	<b><u>August 24, 11:30 A.M.</u></b>  Michael Hollis Dylan Madden Randy Haro Randy Harp Alfred Barnes Patrick Brown  <b><u>August 27, 7:00 P.M.</u></b>

	<b>In Search Of The Lord's Way</b> Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM  08/17/2025—"Problems in Worship" 08/24/2025—"Worship in Song" 08/31/2025—"Worship in Prayer"	<b>Weekly Assembly Schedule</b>  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
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~~~~ Enter to Worship — Leave to Serve ~~~~		
<u>What Must I Do To Be Saved?</u>		<u>Record of Attendance</u>
Realize I am lost	Rom. 3:23	* 08/10/2025
Hear the Gospel	Acts 15:7	* Total
Believe the Gospel	Mk. 16:15-16	* Sun. 1st Worship
Repent of sins	Acts 17:30	* Sun. Bible Study
Confess Christ	Rom. 10:9-10	* Sun. 2nd Worship
Baptized to remit sins	Acts 2:38	* Wednesday Evening
Remain faithful	2 Pet. 1:5-11	* Contribution
		\$1,785.00

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

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SUNDAY
1st Worship 9:00 am
Bible Class 10:30 am
2nd Worship 11:30 am
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Eagles in a Storm

Did you know that an eagle knows when a storm is approaching long before it breaks? The eagle will fly to some high spot and wait for the winds to come. When the storm hits, it sets its wings so that the wind will pick it up and lift it above the storm. While the storm rages, below the eagle is soaring above it. The eagle does not escape the storm. It simply uses the storm to lift it higher. It rises on the winds that bring the storm.

When the storms of life come upon us ... and all of us will experience them...we can rise above them by setting our minds and our belief toward God. The storms do not have to overcome us. We can allow God's power to lift us above them. God enables us to ride the winds of the storm that bring sickness, tragedy, failure, and disappointment into our lives. We can soar above the storm. Remember, it is not the burdens of life that weigh us down, it is how we handle them.

"But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." – Isaiah 40:31



“ CHRIST ALIVE IN '25 ”

PRAYERREQUEST

Henrietta Murphy Jones— had a bronchoscopy done and found cancer on her lungs. The Chemo was given for another cancer she has but feel it will help rid this cancer. She will continue Chemo every two weeks. Henrietta needs our continual prayers for her. **Bill Jones**—had another stroke. He requests prayers on his behalf. He is at Benton Village of Stockbridge 201 Evergreen Terrace Room 113. Stockbridge, GA 30281

Roslyn Curseen— had surgery at Emory on Monday. She is home and recovering well. She is regaining some strength and showing improvement. We pray for Roslyn a smooth and complete recovery.

Michael Curseen— met with doctors to discuss options for the cancer he has in his lung. They will address the prostate and pelvis cancer treatment after they take care of the lung. He has an option of surgery or Chemotherapy, radiation therapy and immunotherapy. Much consideration will be involved with his decision on which option. We need to fervently pray for Michael that all will be resolved with the option that is best for him.

Zion Maxwell— is still in NICU, and is doing about the same. Continue to keep Zion in your prayers.

Bush Denney— the brother of Jack Denney is battling pancreatic cancer. They were able to treat the cancer on his liver, and they will have the results in a few days. Much prayers are needed for Bush and family.

~ SEND A CARD, MAKE A CALL ~
~ ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER ~

Activities And Events

Today— 9:00 A.M. 1st Morning Worship Service

Today— 10:30 A.M. Bible Class

Today— 11:30 A.M. 2nd Worship Service

Wednesday night Bible Class— 7:00 P.M.

Project Outreach— Let us all work to hand out the **Bible Reference Pamphlets** that are available for you on the security desk.

September 20th— Tara will host Ladies' Day. The theme will be "**A Woman's Power.**" Our speaker is Caryn McCarver. Registration begins at 8:30 AM, with a Continental Breakfast prepared. Ladies' Day will begin at 9:00 AM. Ladies come enjoy with us, this special day that has been planned. We will dismiss at 12:00 PM. Luncheon will follow dismissal.

We have had issues with the bathroom toilet in the Fellowship Hall. This led to having the Septic emptied, and much digging to find the problem. The roots from a suspected tree caused the whole pipe to be strongly impacted with roots throughout. The tree was taken down and the trunk chipped up, to prevent any future problems. We are in the process of getting this resolved. It should be completed by end of next week. We appreciate your patience.

Continued Prayer List:

Nell Lockhart, Bill Jones, Havanna Goebel, Marcia Woodbury, Donna Taylor, Brenda Millsap, Steve Smith, Bernice Harris, Jim and Maxine Howell, Vernetta Jones, Don Cheek, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Vera Pollard, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison's mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes, Erika Lee Havanna's daughter, Erika Lee's father Ervin Lee

Elders' Comments

Do you worship, or do you attend worship? Does your body fill a pew, or does adoration and praise fill your heart? It is so easy to just "attend", but allow the mind to wonder and be occupied with other things. We can easily allow something, or someone, to distract our worship. Let us not become distracted and be cautious that we do not distract others. One may sing every song, bow the head and close the eyes in every prayer, partake of the Lord's Supper, give liberally, etc. and still not worship. If there is no feeling, no concentration, and no emotion, there is no worship.

The Elders

From the Pen of Richard

Two Thoughts to Consider

THE OBVIOUS IS UNDENIABLE

Some things are simply obvious. During the early Restoration Movement a preacher was discussing in a wooded area the subject of "Falling From Grace". At one point in his sermon he jumped up and grabbed a branch of a tree. While holding the limb, suspended in the air, he asked his audience, "If I turn loose, will I fall?" The answer to his question was obvious, and so was the point he made. "If we turn loose of Christ we will fall; if we hold on to Him, He will keep us from falling".

The little word "if" makes it conditional. After listing seven attributes a Christian must possess, the apostle Peter writes, "*For if you do these things, you shall never fall*". (cf. II Pet.1:5-10) Those seven attributes are virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness and love. Obviously, when these things characterize our life, they will keep us from falling away from the Lord.

Obviously, it is not easy to walk on ice. Try walking down the driveway at your normal stride when it is covered with a sheet of ice, and see what happens. What must you do to avoid falling? Walk cautiously and hold on to something, or someone. Paul wrote, "*Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall*" (I Cor. 10:12) And how do we do that? Walk cautiously and hold on to someone. Who? Christ and Christian people. And what will happen if we don't do that? It's obvious!

CROSS-BEARING

There are many hardships that we must endure in life. There are crosses we must bear. Very often they make it even more difficult to be faithful to God. Yet, they do not excuse us from being faithful. Jesus said, "*If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.*" (Luke 9:23) Cross-bearing is never an easy thing to do, but a necessary one if we would follow Jesus. The weak-willed, half-hearted, double-minded person cannot bear a cross. Jesus made it very clear that He did not want anyone as a follower who was not willing to commit himself wholly to His cause, with no reservations.

The disciples witnessed the episode of the rich young man, who came running to Jesus, seeking eternal life, only to turn away sorrowfully because he was unwilling to pay the price of cross-bearing. (Matt.19:22) Many of the disciples suffered extreme hardships, being disowned by family, disgraced, endured cruelty and often death in bearing their crosses daily. But that was what Jesus expected. Does he expect any less of us? Thankfully, our crosses may not be as severe and heavy as theirs were, but whatever they are, we must bear them. And He will strengthen us when we do. Rather than removing Paul's "thorn in the flesh", the Lord told him, "*My grace is sufficient for you, for my strength is made perfect in weakness*". Paul then said, "*Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong*". (II Cor. 12:9,10) Let us try to have the same attitude in our cross-bearing.

Richard

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