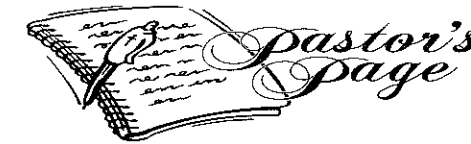
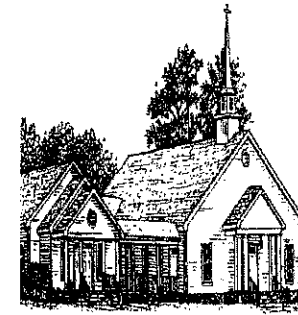


The Whitewater Witness

Whitewater Baptist Church
"You Will be My Witness....Acts 1:8"

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TWO NEW SERMON SERIES FOR THE NEW YEAR From Pastor Chris Hall

SPIRITUAL RENWAL EMPHASIS ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

As we enter into the New Year I am excited about the two new sermon studies that we are beginning. On Sundays during Morning Worship I am beginning a study of the Old Testament Book of Nehemiah. The title of this study is Steps to Spiritual Renewal. I believe the greatest need we have as a church is a work of spiritual renewal and revival, a work that can only come from the Lord. I don't want to be satisfied with a complacent, casual, run of the mill, ordinary Christian life, do you? I want God to be at work in my life in a powerful and dynamic way. I want to be someone God can use to honor Him and to touch the lives of others. Almost all Christians profess that they want to grow spiritually, that they want to become mature followers of Jesus Christ. But not all Christians are equally eager to do what is required to reach that goal. If we are serious about being all that God wants us to be, if we are committed to praying for revival and renewal in our own life and in our church, if we are willing to do what is necessary so that God can do His work of revival in us, then revival and renewal will come. Revival is a work of the Holy Spirit that grows out of a tenacious commitment on the part of the believer to obey God's Word and live a holy life. May God use the principals and truths we will learn from the Book of Nehemiah to light the spark of revival in our lives!

NEW SERMON SERIES IN SUNDAY NIGHT WORSHIP

On Sunday Nights during Evening Worship we are beginning a new study on the life of Joseph, this is the "coat of many colors" Joseph, the Joseph who was the son of Jacob, the Joseph who was sold into slavery in Egypt by his brothers. The adversity Joseph faced in his life was amazing, far beyond anything any of us will likely ever face, but through it all Joseph never complained and he never questioned what God was doing. Even in the darkest days of his life "God meant it for good" was Joseph's motto. He was a man who truly walked by faith and not by sight – and great was his reward! Because of his faith and faithfulness, God used Joseph in many great ways. The lessons we will learn from the life of Joseph will help us to be greater men and women of faith and they will help us to make a greater difference for God in this world. Every member of our church will be blessed and will benefit from this great study. Sunday Evening worship begins at 6:00 PM each Sunday in our sanctuary. Remember, Church is the Sunday morning and Sunday night place to be! Join us!

If you are willing to occasionally work in our church nursery during Sunday Morning Worship services, please see Cindy Law or call our church office. Thank You!



A new session of our **Awana Children's Ministry** begins on **January 7 at 5:30 PM.**

The Hands of Hope Pregnancy and Resource Center in Americus will have an open house on Sunday, January 21 from 3:00-5:00. The center is located at 111 Habitat Street, Building C. All are invited.

School Snack Sack Ministry

The number of needy students this ministry is servicing has increased. Your help is needed. Items needed for the sacks are individual peanut butter and crackers, Yoohoo drink boxes, fruit cups, individual cereal packs, granola bars and pudding cups. Bring these to the fellowship hall or deliver to your Sunday School class.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, January 21, 8:15 AM
All Men Invited!

The Adult Sunday Night Small Group will begin to meet again on January 7 at 5:45. The study will be The Case for the Creator by Lee Stroble. See Glenn or Tracy Fowler for more information.



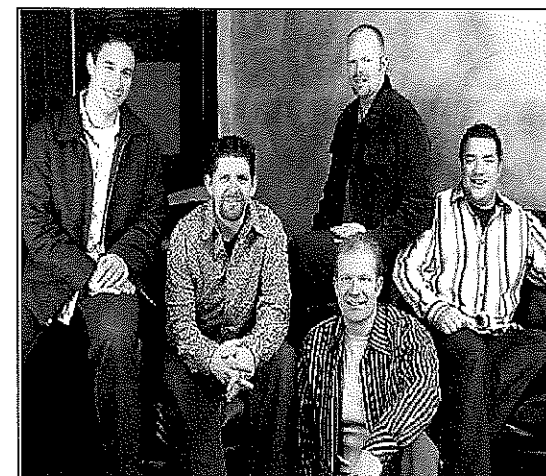
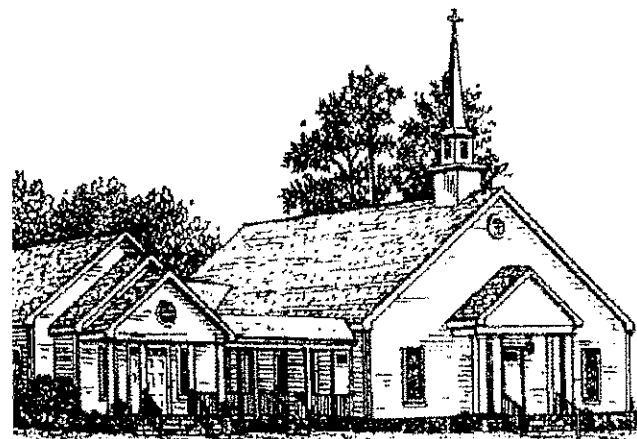
International Mission Study

An International Mission Study will be held at the First Baptist Church in Montezuma on Tuesday, January 9 at 6:30 PM. The theme for the study is "Reaching Russia." Soup and sandwiches will be served. Please call the church office or see Laverne Bentley if you plan to attend.

December Average Sunday School Attendance: 64

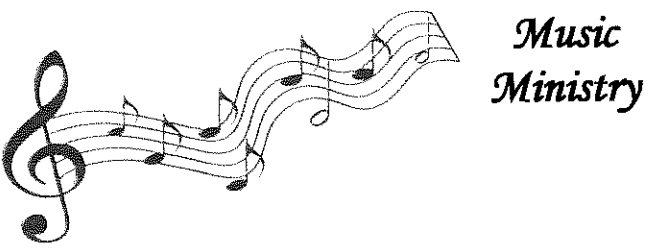
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THIS HOPE IN CONCERT AT WHITEWATER Sunday, January 7 at 10:30 AM

While growing up together in Alaska, the guys in THIS HOPE discovered a unifying bond in music and ministry that has lasted more than two decades. Their passion to convey the grace of God has led them around the world. Now based out of Woodstock, GA, this group ministers over 150 times each year across the country, leading in worship and communicating the life-changing power of the gospel. People of all ages enjoy their distinctive "a cappella" sound, and their heart to encourage the body of Christ will shine through from beginning to end. Don't miss an opportunity to hear THIS HOPE!



Music Ministry

John Newton Traditional

Amazing Grace

F F C7 Dm Bb

A - maz - ing - grace how sweet the
 'Twas grace that taught my heart to
 The Lord has prom - ised good to
 Through man - y dan - gers, toils and
 When we've been there ten thou - sand

4 F F F C7(sus4)

sound, That saved a wretch like me!
 fear, And grace my fears re - lieved;
 me, His word my hope se - cures;
 snares, I have al - read - y come;
 years, Bright shin - ing as the sun,

8 C7 F F7 Bb

I once was lost but now am
 How pre - cious did that grace ap -
 He will my shield and por - tion
 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus
 We've no less days to sing God's

12 F Dm F/C C7 F

found, Was blind but now I see.
 pear The hour I first be - lieved.
 be As long as life en - dures,
 far, And grace will lead me home.
 praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

Most people, including born again believers, do not think of themselves as wretches, but the author of "Amazing Grace" did. Amazing Grace was the story of John Newton's life. Every word of this song was pulled with pain from the dark days and the treacherous times of his early sea-faring youth to the wondrous joy of his discovery of the love and grace of God. His epitaph, written by his own hand, tells more eloquently than any other words the extent of depth and height experienced: "John Newton, clerk, once an infidel and libertine, was by the rich mercy of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, preserved, restored, pardoned and appointed to preach the faith he had long labored to destroy." Every line of his hymn is filled with tears of remorse because of the greatness of his sin, and expressions of joy because of the discovery of God's grace. Being redeemed out of such a wretched spiritual state, as the hymn described it, helped Newton see and appreciate the matchless grace of God. When we think of the grace of God that we have received through the Lord Jesus Christ our hearts should be filled with joyful songs of thanksgiving and praise.

Keep singing His praises,
 Cheryl Dorsey

This Month's Servants

Deacon of the Week:
 January 07-13 ~ Karl DeLoach
 January 14-20 ~ Chris Keene
 January 21-27 ~ Carlton Rodgers
 January 28-Feb. 03 ~ Gary Simmons

USHERS
 Glenn Fowler
 Eddie Odom
 Jimmy Windham
 Connor Windham

JANUARY NURSERY CARE



January 07
 Aris Hall & Abigail Tarrer
 January 14
 Dot Bentley & Lauryn Griffin
 January 21
 Leah Windham & Matthew DeLoach
 January 28
 Cindy Bellew & Bailee Johnson

We are thankful for those who are part of our Nursery Ministry. If you would be willing to serve a Sunday in the Nursery please call the Church office or contact Cindy Law.

Thank you for serving!
God will bless you for loving the children He loves!!

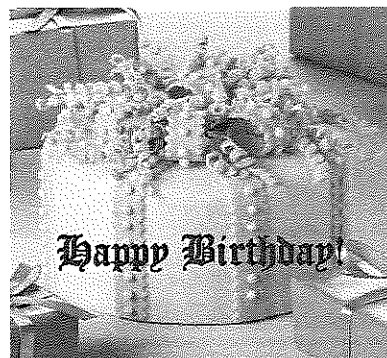
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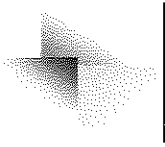
January 7
 January 14
 January 21
 Christie Windham
 January 28
 Wayne & Cindy Bellew

JANUARY

- 1 ~ Marietta Jones
- 2 ~ Wayne Bellew, Rachel Bentley
- 9 ~ Cheryl Dorsey, Sandra Mayo
- 10 ~ Gloria Kelley
- 12 ~ Laurie Oder
- 16 ~ Kennedy Tarrer
- 20 ~ Sylas Mygrant
- 22 ~ Velma Fowler
- 23 ~ Paul Smith, Michael Odom
- 25 ~ Aris Hall
- 29 ~ Gary Simmons
- 31 ~ Chris Parker, Kenny Smith



May God Bless Your Life!



Whitewater Baptist Church

Everyday with Jesus is sweeter than the day before!

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8 NIV

January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Happy New Year!</i> <i>Jesus Loves You!</i>	2	3 Important! Read Your Bible Daily! 6:00 Children's Choir 6:30 Prayer Meeting and Bible Study	4	5 12:00 Soup Kitchen Ministry, Montezuma	6
7 8:00am Deacons Meeting *REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE	8	9	10 6:00 Children's Choir 6:30 Prayer Meeting & Business Meeting	11 SONS OF JUBAL RETREAT TOCCOA January 11, 1:00 pm - January 12, 12:00 pm	12	13 Read the Bible in a Year
14 *REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE Children's Church	15	16	17 6:00 Children's Choir MISSION NIGHT 6:00 Meal 7:00 WMU, Men, Children & Youth	18	19	20
21 8:15 AM Men's Breakfast *REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE	22	23	24 10:30 Friendship Minister's Prayer Time, Whitewater 6:00 Children's Choir 6:30 Prayer Meeting & Bible Study	25	26	27 SOUTH GEORGIA MEN'S TRAINING CONFERENCE NORTHERN HEIGHTS BAPTIST, CORDELE 9:00 am - 12:30 pm
28 *REGULAR SUNDAY AM SCHEDULE Children's Church Church Council	29 GBC EVANGELISM CONFERENCE, WARNER ROBINS, CENTRAL BAPTIST January 29 - 30	30 Friendship Assoc. Executive Committee Meeting 6:00- Meal 7:00- Meeting Hosted by and held at Whitewater Baptist	31 6:00 Children's Choir WEDNESDAY Family Night 7:00	Regular Sunday Schedule: 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Morning Worship 5:30pm Awana 6:00pm Evening Worship		