

"The members should have the same care one for another..." 1 Corinthians 12:25

"See that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently..." 1 Peter 1:22

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Fear God

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The Bible tells us that we are to "Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man" (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14). To fear God is to have a high and awesome respect for Him. If we fear God we will be obedient to Him and obey all He says. "Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who delights greatly in His commandments" (Psalms 112:1). We are blessed greatly in our fear and respect of God. We will delight in His word.

Why should man fear God? "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom" (Psalms 111:10). It is very wise to fear God. And "Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in His ways" (Psalms 128:1). Our respect and fear of God will cause us to walk as He directs so we can go to Heaven. If we fear God, we will obey Him. Christ is "the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Hebrews 5:9). "Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him" (Psalms 85:9). Only those who fear God will do what He says so they can be saved and go to Heaven. The vast majority of people will not do what God says because they do not fear Him. They will be tormented forever in the eternal fires of Hell (Matthew 7:13-14).

Why don't many people fear God? "The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God'" (Psalms 14:1). Because many people do not believe in God, "There is no fear of God before their eyes" (Romans 3:18). "A wise man fears and departs from evil, but a fool rages and is self-confident" (Proverbs 14:16). If we are to be pleasing to God we must, "Fear the Lord and depart from evil" (Proverbs 3:7), because, "The fear of the Lord is to hate evil" (Proverbs 8:13).

We must be very serious and, "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling" (Philippians 2:12). We are to, "Serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire" (Hebrews 12:28-29). What will happen to those who don't fear God? "The devil who deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone...and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever...and anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire" (Revelation 20:10, 15).

But "As a father pities his children, so the Lord pities those who fear Him" (Psalms 103:13). "He will bless those who fear the Lord" (Psalms 115:13). "God is greatly feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be held in reverence by all those around Him" (Psalms 89:7). The blessings of the Lord will be beyond the wildest imagination of those who fear Him, "Because eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him" (1 Corinthians 2:9). Let's have the greatest of respect and fear for our God and Creator, who loves and cares for us and holds our eternal destiny in His hands, so we can be with Him throughout all of eternity.



MEN TO SERVE

March 14, 2010

Elders Request You Wear A Coat and Tie When Serving.

Deacon In Charge: Roger Leonard
March 21 Charles Renfro

Presiding: Albert Smith

Table: Danny Woodcock Travis Strackbein
David Wilkinson Zachary Strackbein
Jerry Williams Matthew Stubbs
Paul Swanson Randy Walker
Bob Rowell Coy Taylor
Dalton Swilley Michael Toms
Johnny White Fred Toms
Dillon Swilley Wendell Spearman

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Responses: Donnie Swilley

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Closing Prayer AM: Will Moore

Opening Prayer PM: Bill Naylor

Closing Prayer PM: Ricky Lightsey

Lead Singing:
Sunday AM: Jonathan Garner
Sunday PM: Dale Kay

Scripture: John Ganas

Cards/Cups: Jared Strackbein Jake Milton
Jett Smith Landon Hutchinson

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Invitation: Donnie Wisenbaker

Opening Prayer: Billy Lewis

Closing Prayer: Jason Lewis

Song Leader Taylor Bosch

PA System: John Renfro

Prepare Communion:

March 14 Ruth Dykes

March 21 Carlethia Mikel

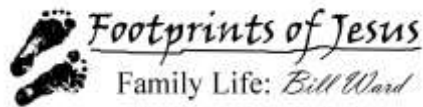
Visitor Center Brittany & Brooke Palmer

The Record

Bible Study: 334

Worship: A.M. 436 P.M. 302

Wednesday: 3/3/10 324



Good News At Forrest Park

Between 15 and 20 men went to the leadership day at Lake City Saturday. The four lessons I heard were very good. I appreciate John Crum for driving the van. I had planned to but drove my car in order to leave to be at the Rowell funeral at 2 PM. There were a couple of dozen, or more, from Forrest Park at Joe Rowell's funeral Saturday afternoon. Joe was an active member here for many years.

Thirteen went to Holly Hill Sunday afternoon to support the worship service there at 2:30 PM. We were joined by a good number from the home. We missed Mrs. Scarborough who passed away the week before. This was Sister Jean Lewis' sister.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER continues to go on. We had 15-20 meet at devotional time, a few came earlier and a few came later. Others were conducting a Bible study. Another Bible study was done during the evening. Several visitors were contacted and promised to be back Wednesday night! That is exciting! Not all of our visitors cards were taken. Could you have come and helped?

Good Meeting Last Sunday

We presented our new group plan last Sunday to those who indicated interest in being leaders. We have twenty or twenty one who, with their wives, were either present Sunday or called me Monday to tell me they were going to help. This is a very good number. **Next meeting of this group is Sunday March 21 at 5:00 in the fellowship hall.**

March 21 Guest Preacher

We will be having a guest preacher with his family here March 21. Please stay in town that weekend so we can all hear him teach that morning. They will have to return home Sunday afternoon.

We will have pot-luck dinner at 12 noon that day to meet the preacher. Please mark this down and make your plans to come. Bring a visitor, too, if you can.

Warrenton Georgia Report

Saturday we got a very good report on the work in Warrenton GA from their dedicated preacher Rodney Daniels. I am so very impressed with Brother Daniels. He has preached there 11 years and supports himself. The community itself is not growing, yet he is "hanging in there."

We send \$75 per month to Warrenton to help with the general fund there. They have a building payment of around \$2200 per month. They have a very beautiful building that seats 225 with a fellowship area and a half dozen classrooms.

For the months of January and February they averaged 39 in Bible School, 49 AM worship, 35 PM worship, 30 Wednesday and gave \$815 per week. Their contribution is up probably \$125 or so per week over the past 6 months. I believe their budget is about \$850 per week.

They give clothes away once a month. There are 46 members, 12 active male members. Brother Daniels has 5 Bible studies in progress and 8 Bible correspondence courses in progress.

We also received a very nice thank you for the support we sent for the year 2009. Warrenton is located 40 miles southeast of Augusta.



NEWS 'N NOTES

FROM AROUND FORREST PARK

Daylight Savings Time Begins This Sunday Morning!

"See You In Bible School"

Family Activities

Monday for the Master meets each week at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Tuesday for the Master Radio Program can be heard 6:00 PM, on 92.1

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class meets each week at 10:00 AM in the church library.

Young Adults meet each Thursday evening at 7:00 PM in the Youth Room for fellowship and devotional.

Sunday, March 21st, after morning worship, Congregational Potluck in the Fellowship Hall.

Placed Membership

- 10. Ronnie Harrell, Jr. 2/23/10
101 Beacon Hill
Valdosta, GA 31602 244-6277

Directory Update

- Louise Padgett
Azalea Towers Apt 513
2910 Tara Drive
Valdosta, GA 31605 232-4791

Responses

Braydon Cope, Amber Okolichany, and Callie Mathis responded to the invitation asking for prayers and forgiveness.

Ruth Richardson responded to express her appreciation for all the acts of kindness and prayers on her behalf.

Our Sympathy To...

Heather Lightsey and family in the sudden passing of her sister, April Lancaster. The funeral was Wednesday.

Eleanor Walker and family in the passing of her aunt, Trully Mae Enmon. The funeral was Saturday.

Sad Farewells

Lionel & Marta Cortez are moving to Texas the end of this month. Lionel will continue to work for LAM from there.

JoAnn Brown is moving to Newnan, Georgia March 13th to be with family.

Cards

Thank you to all of our brothers in Christ for the love you have shown to us in making our ramp safe. It is much easier for us to go up and down.

*Yours in Christ
Evelyn & Valdeese Brown*

Forrest Park Church of Christ,

Thank you very much for the support you give to the family of God who meets here. Your financial aid, encouragement and prayers mean very much to us. Thank You!

*The Church of Christ
at Warrenton*

More Prayers (Cont)

Elizabeth McCutchen, mother of Beth McLeod, is in the hospital in Omaha with congestive heart failure.

Stacia Grace, mother of James, is in ICU in Alabama. James is with her.

Harold Reddick, father of Dana Hutchinson, is now at home.

James Morrison, brother of Eish Jackson & Dot Henderson, is recovering at home.

Arnold Johnson, father of Lin Earp, is recovering from cancer surgery.

Ursula Smith, sister of Gerald Leveille, is recovering from surgery.

Travis Dinkins, grandson of Ray & Dorothy, is now at home and will have an evaluation next week at Emory.

Philip Barr, husband of Peggy, is awaiting biopsy results.

BJ Croft, sister-in-law of Debbie Walker, remains in need of prayer.

Amber Kenyon, sister of April Milton, is undergoing chemo treatments.

Colton Phillips, son of Tiffany Bradford's friends, will have surgery next Friday.

Dylan Weigel, son of Sharon Arnold's great niece, surgery went well.

Prayer List

Our Shut-Ins

Abbie Anderson, Margaret Berrien, Martha Boyd, Valdeese Brown, Robbie Bryson, Lee Clark, Peter Flintroyal, Mary Harrelson, Carolyn B. Johnson, Bess Jones, Lila Jones, Malloy Jones, Gerald & Nellie Leveille, Inez Lott, Mazella Nathan and Ruth Nicholson.

Our Sick

Jeanette Allen, Bob Batten, Teresa Bonner, Tiffany Bradford, Jorge Brathwaite family, Braydon Cope, Kim Copeland, Beth Copeland, Cynthia Council, Christina Coy, Ginger Daugherty, Doug Daugherty, Faye Dykes, Nancy Farber, Sandra Griffin, Maddox, Trace & Aldyn Harrell, Al Howard, Henry Howard, Jack & Jake Milton, Mary Mitchell, Lydia, Daniel & Matthew Naylor, Amber Okolichany, Rosa Parker, Maudell Rouse, Keith Sherouse, Wendell & Pansy Spearman, Merrill Tindall, and Patricia Waters were out of services sick Sunday.

Emily Wilkinson is in SGMC, room 449, with pneumonia.

Lila Jones is in SGMC, room 432.

Inez Lott is in the hospital in Nashville. No visitors at this time.

Mary Harrelson is in Heritage House Nursing Home, room 201, recovering from surgery due to a broken leg..

James Grace is undergoing chemo treatments.

Sabrina Bailey is now at home and doing better.

Kitty O'Neal is awaiting test results.

Barbara Woodcock fractured her wrist.

Bob Batten was diagnosed with a bulging disc in his neck that is pressing on his spinal cord.

Eunice Glisson, Kim Bedgood and Rosa Parker are recovering from their various surgeries.

Please continue to remember Ginger Daugherty, Claudette Williams, Inez Williams and Norman & Louise Sainz.

Special Prayer

Chris Pate is TDY to Haiti.

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