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### ***Once Saved Always Saved?***

By Ron Boatwright

There are those who say that "once you are saved you are always saved". They say that it is impossible to fall from God's grace regardless of what you do. This may sound good and comforting, but let's see what the Bible says. In 1 Corinthians 9:27 the apostle Paul says, "But I buffet my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway." Paul said that it was possible for him to become a castaway. If Paul became a castaway he would be lost.

In 1 Corinthians 10:12 Paul gives a warning to the Christians at Corinth by saying, "Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall." Why such a warning if it is impossible to fall? So the very people, who think they cannot fall, are given a warning to take heed lest they fall.

In Galatians 5:4 we read, "You have become estranged from Christ, you who attempt to be justified by the law; you have fallen from grace." Isn't it strange, that people who say they believe the Bible also say that we cannot fall from grace, when the Bible so plainly says that we can fall from grace. Who are we to believe, God or man? Even though many religious bodies say that you cannot fall from grace, the Bible clearly says that people can fall from grace. And without God's grace we cannot be saved.

The doctrine of "once saved always saved" and that you cannot fall from God's grace and be lost is a doctrine that originated with Satan. Satan wants people to believe that they cannot fall from grace and be lost. In Genesis 2:17 God told Adam and Eve not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and the day they ate of it they would surely die. But in Genesis 3:4 Satan told Eve, "You will not surely die". Satan only added the word "not" to what God had said. Just as Satan told a lie to Eve, Satan is still deceiving people today by telling them they canNOT fall from grace and once they are saved, they are always saved. He is trying to lull people into complacency. This is one of the many ways that Satan deceives people so they will be eternally lost. But 2 Peter 1:10 says, "be even more diligent to make your call and election sure."

God's promises are conditional upon our doing His will. Jesus says in Matthew 7:21, "Not everyone who says to Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of Heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in Heaven." And also Hebrews 5:9 says concerning Jesus that "He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him."



## MEN TO SERVE

June 27, 2010

*Elders Request You Wear A Coat and Tie When Serving.*

**Deacon In Charge:** Ronald Harrell, Sr.  
July 4 David Huffman

**Presiding:** Ricky Lightsey

**Table:** Bill Naylor Charles Lavender  
Lance Lightsey Will Moore  
Jason Lewis Will Leonard  
Billy Lewis Brian Leverett  
Matt McCoy Jack Milton  
Blake McLeod Robert Minton  
Michael Meeks Bart Mizell  
Jerry O'Neal Jason Nolan

**Announcements:** Don Garner

**Responses:** Don Garner

**Opening Prayer AM:** Barry Robinson

**Closing Prayer AM:** Bob Rowell

**Opening Prayer PM:** Matthew Stubbs

**Closing Prayer PM:** Paul Swanson

**Lead Singing:**  
Sunday AM: John Renfro  
Sunday PM: David Arnold

**Scripture:** Reginald Rose

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

### Wednesday Evening Bible Study

**Invitation:** Summer Lectureship  
**Opening Prayer:** Albert Smith  
**Closing Prayer:** James Renfro  
**Song Leader:** Ray DeLoach

**PA System:** Keith Sherouse

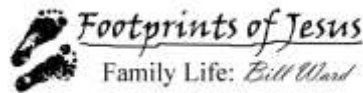
### Prepare Communion:

June 27 April Milton  
July 4 Sandra Daugherty

**Visitor Center** Andrew Taylor & Lindsay Nichols

### The Record

**Bible Study:** 319  
**Worship:** A.M. 413 P.M. 293  
**Wednesday:** 6/16/10 334



## Georgia Bible Camp

Last week was Forrest Park's week at GBC. We had 19 campers and 7 counselors who worked during the week from F.P. Our five Bible Classes studied lessons centered on the theme of "He Is My Everything". We spent 1 ½ hours each day in class and 2 hours each day in chapel. Our singing was the best I can remember. The teenagers also had devotionals at 9:30 PM nightly. We had 38 teens among the 76 campers in our bunch.

The week was very uplifting to me spiritually. We had two 14 year old girls from Sylvester who were baptized. We really had a very good week. We had 6 campers from Dasher, 4 from Redland, 13 from Lakeland, 8 from Sylvester, 4 from Tifton, 12 from Thomasville, 5 from Adel, and 1 from Beattie Rd.

**Awards:** Citizenship: Eli Harrell & Victoria Brathwaite; Bible Award: ages 7 & 8 Allie Garner; Little Mr GBC – Jaxon Harrell; Little Miss GBC- Macie Garner; Miss GBC- Maria Jose Brathwaite. We congratulate these Forrest Park children on their behavior and Bible knowledge that enabled them to receive these awards!

## Bagazan Peru Campaign

Kyla and Lindsay got back Saturday night from Peru. This small town is located in northeastern Peru 100 miles or so from Iquitos. The church was begun there in 2008 when a Baptist minister was converted and most of his congregation was then restored to the New Testament church. They have a building that will seat 75-100. However, for this campaign, a tent was pitched in the town square.

Sunday – Wednesday preaching was done and during the preaching Bible class was held for the children. Around 200 children were in class each night. Upwards of 200 adults attended the services with 11 being baptized and 7 being restored!

## Monday Night for the Master

We thank Barbara Cozart for getting the cards ready last Monday. We thank all our workers who came out Monday. This is being written Monday as Glenda and I are supposed to get on the plane to go to see Katie in Denver at 6 AM Tuesday morning for one week. I was looking forward to COOL weather and lo and behold it was 89 there yesterday. HA! We are ready to see our baby!! We will see you all when we get back.

## Probation??

Are members who come forward and request the prayers of the church on probation? We have no evidence that God places them on probation and if God doesn't who are we to do so. The elder brother apparently thought his younger brother SHOULD be on probation but such was not the case.

One who has repented is forgiven by God and will be forgiven by faithful Christians who will rejoice over the fact! The elder brother was THE ONE with the attitude and sin problem in that story. Note Luke 15:20-31.

Those today who keep penitent brethren on probation have placed themselves as judge and jury over fellow Christians. These things should not happen.



# NEWS 'N NOTES

## FROM AROUND FORREST PARK

### Summer Lectureship Update

June 30 ~ *Spiritual Gifts*  
(1 Corinthians 12-14) Randy Kea

### 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

Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, Youth Float down the Ichetucknee.

Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 – 5:00 PM, Shower Group 4 invites all ladies to a Baby Shower for Brooke Jennings Leverett, the soon to be arriving baby girl of Kate and Brian Leverett. Her selections are at Target and Toys-R-Us.

Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, the entire Hill Toppers Family Care Group will have a get together after evening service in the Fellowship Hall. Bring finger food, drinks and desserts.

Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Congregational Ice Cream Social after evening service in the Fellowship Hall. Bring Homemade Ice Cream, cookies and drinks.

Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, Young Professionals Family Care Group will have a get together after evening service in the Fellowship Hall. Bring finger foods and desserts.

### Ladies Day

Forrest Parks' Ladies Day is September 18<sup>th</sup>. Cindy Colley is the speaker. Mark your calendar and look for opportunities to help.

**MEETING:** Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, evening, all ladies please stay in the Auditorium after services.



Balloon Launch, Sunday July 18<sup>th</sup>!

### Dishes

Please take a moment to check the kitchen for your dishes, pot, pans, storage containers, etc left behind from funerals, activities or other functions.

### Responses

Jeff Gill and James Dowell responded Sunday requesting prayers.

### Baptized

15. Kenneth Rodriquez 6/17/10  
420 Connell Road Apt 22B  
Valdosta, GA 31602  
(678) 488-7394

### More Prayers

Salena Miller, daughter of Billy & Sharon Lewis.

James Carter, Sr., father of James.

Fred Jackson, brother-in-law of Betty Shaw.

Colbert Croft, uncle of Debbie Walker.

Earl Robinson, cousin of Carlethia.

Ronnie Jackson, friend of Battens.

### Directory Updates

Gene & Carolyn Griffin new phone numbers:

Gene: 506-2990

Carolyn: 251-7886

Mazella Nathan  
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PO Box 1460  
Twin City, GA 30471

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- Sarah Dutton ..... 202
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### Prayer List

#### Our Shut-Ins

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

#### Out Sick Sunday

Andrew Carter, Gloria Council, Christina Coy, Ricky Lightsey, Dion Mathis, Evan McCoy, Keeva Mobley, Joyce Nash, Rosa Parker, Thomas Shockley, Laverne Thomas, Martha Renfro, Merrill Tindall, Claudette Williams and Barbara Woodcock.

#### Back With Us!

It was good to have Ruth Richardson and Eunice Glisson back in services with us Sunday.

#### In the Hospital

Andy Register, Smith NV, room 133.

#### Hospice Care

Inez Lott and Lee Clark.

#### Recovering

Thomas Shockley, Langdale House.  
Bob Poor; at home.  
Rosa Parker; eye surgery.

#### Continue In Prayer

Rubye Bailey, Joyce Nash, Eddie Mae Shumphard, James Grace, Lila Jones, Ginger Daugherty, Laverne Thomas, Inez Williams and Norman & Louise Sainz.

#### Missions

Roger Leonard & Sarah Dutton in Nicaragua.

Jack Farber in Columbia.

Dani Munoz, granddaughter of Paul & Hazel Swanson

Amanda McGaughy, granddaughter of Wendell & Pansy Spearman.

Carl Naylor, son of Bill & Lydia.

YES II is coming up on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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### **Deacons**

Donnie Allbritton      Spen Broome      LaGary Carter  
Raymond Copeland      Bill Daugherty  
Doug Daugherty      Colin DeLoach      Rudy Dowling  
Billy Dykes      Clint Dykes      Al Earp  
Jack Farber      Kevin Garner      Ronald Harrell  
Dave Huffman      Charles Lavender  
Roger Leonard      Charles Renfro  
James Renfro      John Renfro      Albert Smith

**Media Ministry:** Roger Steis

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