

For The Record

Bible Study.....	64
Sunday AM.....	76
Sunday P.M.....	46
Wednesday.....	49
Contribution.....	\$1357
Budget.....	\$1700

Sermons

A.M. John the Baptist Beheaded
P.M. The Transfiguration of Jesus

Mark Your Calendar

Jan. 18 Fellowship Meal
Jan. 18 Elders' Meeting
Jan. 25 M.E.P. Team Three
Feb. 3 Ladies Bible Study
Feb. 6-8 Winter Lectureship
Speakers: Cliff Goodwin;
James Jones; James Nelson;
J.C.Watkins
Feb. 21 Valentine Dinner

Those To Serve (January)

Announcements.Jerome Thompson
Communion.Ben Teel
Wednesday Singing. Ken Lovvorn
Clean Building
James & Linda Harrington

Plan of Salvation

Hear - (Rom. 10:14) "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

Believe - (John 8:24) "I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins."

Repent - (Luke 13:3) "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Confess - (Rom. 10:9) "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

Be Baptized - (Acts 2:38) "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

Be Faithful - (Rev. 2:10) "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study 10:00
Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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The Gospel Light

"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79

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" We Would See Jesus"

February 6-8, 2009
8th Annual Winter Lectureship
Bowdon Church of Christ

Friday – February 6

7:00 p.m. "We Would See Jesus in Prayer"
James Jones, Carrollton, GA
8:00 p.m. "We Would See Jesus Who Went About
Doing Good"- James Nelson, Cedartown, GA

Saturday – February 7

7:00 p.m. "We Would See Jesus The Suffering
Servant" - J.C. Watkins, Chattanooga, TN
8:00 p.m. "We Would See Jesus The Only Savior"
Cliff Goodwin, Talladega, AL

Sunday – February 8

10:00 a.m. "We See Jesus"
Bill Dedmon, Bowdon, GA
11:00 a.m. "We Would See Jesus Coming in the
Clouds" - J.C. Watkins, Chattanooga, TN

Just Suppose

In many people's childhood there were times for "make believe" or as some of the kids in my era said, "play like". Perhaps you can relate. You took some time away from reality, or the real world, for a visit to the world of make believe. Some times the "play-like" activity brought a time to "suppose" what it was like to be a cowboy, policeman, race car driver (too early for astronauts) or a number of things that seemed exciting. It seems that some adults are in the "play-like" world when it comes to matters concerning the spiritual. Just suppose that there is a God, (and there is) what about those who deny His existence? Does it matter? The Bible says, "The fool hath said in his heart, *There is no God...*" (Psa. 14:1). Suppose there is not a God? What can I lose by believing there is? Will the world be a better place because of it? Of course. People who believe in the existence of the God of heaven live a moral life. Cornelius, a devout man, feared God and was a man of prayer. These traits will not hurt the country. Suppose that having believed in God all my life and there was in reality no God, I have lost nothing. But suppose that one who spent his life in disbelief and at the end of his life learns there is a God, he is a loser. All is lost.

Just suppose that baptism is for the remission of sins. Just suppose that Peter meant exactly what he said, "baptism does also now save us..." (1 Peter 3:21). Suppose for a minute that I don't believe it. However, I am a religious person and I want to be a member of some church. I am told, "baptism is not for salvation, but it is a sign to show people you have been saved." The preacher tells me I am saved by "faith alone", but if I want to take the Lord's Supper and have my name on the "church roll", I have to be baptized. Just suppose that the preacher is wrong. By the way which should be more difficult, to get to heaven or get in a church? According to many in the religious world you can go to heaven without baptism, but cannot get in the church. Just suppose that I am baptized believing I must do it in order for my sins to be forgiven, and I learn at judgment it was not necessary. I am still better for it. I have faith and I have gone the *extra mile* by being immersed. But just suppose that you cannot have your sins forgiven without baptism, all is lost. Being in a church will do no good. Being in **the Church** is what is important and that comes as a result of obeying the gospel (Acts 2:38).

Suppose you die lost? Not much fun in the land of make believe. Believe and obey God. Be baptized for the remission of sins and faithfully follow the Lord the rest of your days.

Bill Dedmon

Editors note: This article is reprinted from March 2, 2003



Welcome to our visitors. You are our special guests. We trust the worship service today will be uplifting and in harmony with God's word.

Sunday Morning Devotional

January 18

Song - Eric Ballard

Scripture and Prayer - Gary Anderson

January 25

Song - Gerald Scales

Scripture and Prayer - Ron Wilson

Wednesday Night Devotional

January 21

Song - Ken Lovvorn

Devotional - James Harrington

Announcements - James Harrington



M.E.P. team number three will meet Sunday, January 25, following the evening service at the home of James and Linda Harrington. Team members are: James and Linda Harrington, Ronald and Anice Wilson, Gary and Edie Anderson, Ansley Carter, Amanda Bennett. See Linda Harrington for more information.

Thanks to the ladies of the congregation for purchasing the blinds for the fellowship room. Thanks to James and Linda Harrington for installing them.



Please make plans to stay after services tonight for our fellowship meal. The menu is soup and sandwiches.



Reba Parson, Kathy Skinner's mother; Greg Holloway; Kelly Thompson; Barry Bracknell; Eva Johnson; Billie Nolen; Jalen Jones, friend of Casey Ballard; **Corey Whitley and girls and Ansley and Maddie Carter** as they go through difficult times; **Joyce Whitley; Ken and Cathy Lovvorn; Kiley, April, and Emma Fordham; Taylor Brown; Melinda Harlin; Wayne and Sandra Harlin; Jeff Denny; Irene Harrington; Ida Mae Holloway** had surgery last Monday; **Ansley Sud-deth; Charles Banks; unfaithful members; young people.**
Serving in our military:
Jason Benefield, Keith Freeman, Paul Wheeler, Toby Hill.



A list of needed items for our pantry are on the table in the foyer. If you have any questions, see Sandra Harrington.



Our Winter Lectureship is just a little over two weeks away, February 6-8. Be making plans to attend. Invite a friend to attend. See the schedule on the front of bulletin.

Rejoice in the LORD! Kerry Truett responded to the invitation Sunday morning confessing error in his life and asking for forgiveness. We are so happy for his decision. Barry and Christy Bracknell have expressed their desire to be identified with us at Bowdon. Please welcome the Bracknell family to our fellowship.