

For The Record	
Bible Study.....	.55
Sunday AM.....	70
Sunday P.M.....	63
Wednesday.....	.42
Contribution.....	\$1901
Budget.....	\$1700

Sermons

A.M. The Nation That Forgets God
P.M. The Laborers Are Few

Mark Your Calendar

April 14 M E P Team 2 will meet
April 24 Singing @ Dedmons 7:00 p.m.
April 25 Girls' Tea
April 25 Golf Outing
May 2 Graduates' Cookout

Those To Serve (April)

Announcements.....Adam Holloway
Communion..... Bill Nolen
Wednesday Singing...Jerome Thompson
Clean Building
April Fordham..... Leviell Waits

Good News Today Monday - Friday
Direct TV Channel 225 @ 9:00 a.m. ET
Dish Network Channel 9407 and 9396 @ Noon ET

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

SHEPHERDS
Bill Dedmon
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The Gospel Light
"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79

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**"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God."
Ps. 9:17**



Minister's Message

The church at Bowdon is doing well! This year is one of the best years the congregation has experienced in its history. Our average is more than has ever been recorded. Since January we have averaged 73 for the Sunday morning worship hour. Our Bible classes are at all time high's as well. Sunday morning classes are averaging 59 and Wednesday 39. I remember a few short years ago when our Sunday morning worship was not attended as well as our Wednesday nights are now. I wish I could take credit for all of these things but I can't. In the 1st place it is God who gets the credit for the good things we accomplish and in the 2nd place it is the faithful brethren who keep meeting the challenges.

I want to thank my fellow elders for the work they do. We have a very good eldership. It is a united eldership, with the success of the Lord's work at Bowdon being the focal point. We do not have egos that have to be petted, we work as a team and when it is all said and done we stand with one accord. We solicit the ideas of every member of the church concerning how we can move forward. The eldership cannot and should not be expected to do the work by themselves. A word of thanks is also in store for the deacons and their respected roles of responsibility. Thanks to Phil Harrington for coordinating our worship services and organizing special activities. A duty that covers a lot of area falls in the lap of Gerald Scales. The upkeep of the physical structures, the church building and the preachers' house. We have a very good facility, but it needs maintenance from time to time, thanks to Gerald for taking on this challenging work. Remember, he can't fix what he does not know is broken. If you know of something that is in need of repair, let Gerald know. I cannot overlook Bud Benefield who is the deacon in charge of our Bible classes and VBS. The work of coordinating Bible classes is a tremendous task in a small congregation. Having limited space for classes is a problem. With only seven rooms available for classes, the luxury of having ideal age classification is not an option. With the limitations of small congregations we have limited numbers of teachers to teach the various classes. Thanks to Bud for doing a good job in this area. I also want to thank our wonderful teachers. Every one in the Bible school program is to be commended for their efforts to have a successful Bible school.

A word of thanks is in order to all of the members of the church who participated in our letter writing campaign.. On Monday 110 letters were mailed to our elected officials. With the participation of the churches in the West GA area, it is very likely that about 1,000 letters were mailed to the politicians by concerned Christians on April 6. I spoke to an elder of the Lord's church in the Kalamazoo MI who saw the Good News Today program where Jim Dearman and I talked about this campaign, and as a result, they are planning a similar campaign in that part of the country. Let's pray that this effort will not fall on deaf ears. Let's keep working to change the attitudes concerning morality by those who are elected to represent us.

Bill Dedmon 4/12/09



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

April 12

Song - Kiley Fordham

Scripture and Prayer - Greg Holloway

April 19

Song - Jesse Bracknell

Scripture and Prayer - Leviell Waits

Wednesday Night Devotional

April 15

Song - Jerome Thompson

Devotional - James Harrington

Announcements - James Harrington



M.E.P. Team number two will meet Tuesday night, April 14, at 7:00 p.m. See Ken or Cathy Lovvorn for more information.



The Annual Girls' Tea will be held on Saturday April 25. See April Fordham for more information.



We will honor our graduates with a cookout on Saturday, May 2, at the church building.

Bill needs pictures and information from everyone who will be graduating from high school, college, or technical school.



Thanks to Jerome Thompson for filling in for Bill last Sunday.



Mattie Barnhill, April Fordham's grandmother; **Irene Harrington**; **Gerald Scales**; **Steve Born**, a co-worker of Bud Benefield; **Melinda Fendley** and **LouEllen Fendley**, sister and mother of Sandra Harrington; **Reba Parson**, Kathy Skinner's mother; **Geraldine Styles**, Barry Bracknell's aunt; **Billie Nolen**; **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**; **Melinda Harlin**; **Wayne and Sandra Harlin**; **Jeff Denny**; **Ida Mae Holloway**; **Ansley Suddeth**; **unfaithful members**; **young people**.

Serving in our military:

Jason Benefield, **Paul Wheeler**, **Toby Hill**.



We are working on an updated church directory. If you have had address changes or telephone number or email changes, be sure to see Bill today. A proof copy will be ready soon.



Mark your calendar for Friday night, April 24, and be at the Dedmons' for a great period of singing and fellowship. We will be singing songs and eating snacks—it just doesn't get much better than that. Bring light snacks and enjoy the evening.



The "Pewpackers" Class Sunday afternoons at 5:45.