

For The Record	
Bible Study.....	.56
Sunday AM.....	77
Sunday P.M.....	53
Wednesday.....	.43
Contribution.....	.\$1434
Budget.....	\$1700

**Sermons**

A.M. Principles for Successful Marriages

P.M. An Examination of the Great Commission

**Mark Your Calendar**

July 26 M.E.P Team # 2 Meets  
 Aug 8 Ladies' Day at Lithia Springs  
 Sept. 26 Ladies Day at Bowdon  
 Nov. 8 Family and Friends Day

**Those To Serve (August)**

Announcements.....Eric Ballard  
 Communion.....Josh Teel  
 Wednesday Singing. Jerome Thompson  
 Clean Building.  
 Greg and Alesa Holloway

**Good News Today Monday - Friday**  
 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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 Donnie Truett

**DEACONS**  
 Bud Benefield  
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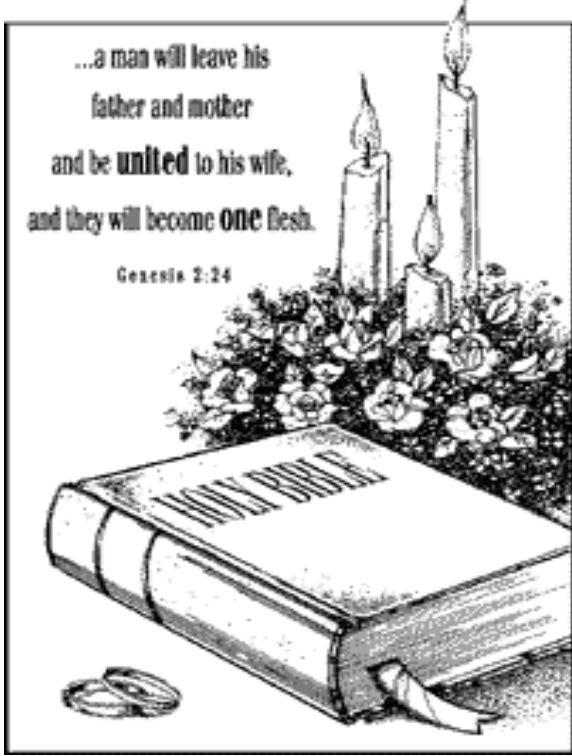


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**The Gospel Light**  
*"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79*

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## TEARS ON MY BIBLE

Preaching is not the painless profession many believe it to be. In fact, on a stress scale of 1 to 10, it usually averages at about a 17.

True, some preach vindictively and not lovingly—but not many. Most realize that every time they speak they're speaking to people who are hurting. It often hurts to preach, too.

If a sermon pricks your heart—it's broken mine. If it hits you in the face—it hit mine first. Sermons and their application begin in the pulpit.

Recently I noticed some discolorations on the cover of my Bible. My "preaching" Bible goes through a great deal but it took me a while to determine where the circular splotches came from. Finally, I realized that they were tears that had fallen onto it and faded the cover. "Why all the tears?" I reflected.

FIRST, for all the children in the world who remain untrained in the ways of righteousness. It seems they never had a chance.

SECOND, for those who hear the Gospel week after week, yet never obey. Their hearts have become Gospel hardened.

THIRD, for those who obey but later fall back in love with the world. They are worse off than where they began.

FOURTH, those who remain in the church all of their lives but are never anything more than lukewarm.

Paul wrote, "Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears" (Acts 20:31).

May we never become so insensitive that spiritual indifference does not bother us.

by Randy Medlin  
via The Noble Searcher  
Flintstone, GA



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

July 26

Song - Eric Ballard

Scripture and Prayer - Zach Benefield

August 2

Song - Bud Benefield

Scripture and Prayer - Casey Ballard

### Wednesday Night Devotional

July 29

Song - Mark Wilson

Devotional - Bill Dedmon

Announcements - Bill Dedmon



The Georgia School of Preaching and Biblical Studies, West GA Campus at Villa Rica will begin classes on Monday, August 17. The morning class begins at 10:00 a.m. The evening class begins at 7:00 p.m. Students can choose to take the classes for credit or audit. There is no charge for classes.



A teachers' meeting is planned for Sunday afternoon, August 9, at 5:00 p.m. All teachers are asked to attend. If you cannot attend the meeting, let Bud know.



Our Gospel Meeting was a huge success. Thanks to Leroy Dedmon for presenting some outstanding lessons.



REQUESTS  
FOR  
PRAYER

**Ervin Barnhill**, April Fordham's uncle, has been diagnosed with cancer; **Bill Nolen**; **James Harrington** received a good report Wednesday; **Wayne Harlin**; **Ben Laney**; **Cindy Carnes**; **Irene Harrington**; **Claude Bearden**; **Melinda Fendley**; **Reba Parsons**; **Ken and Cathy Lovvorn**; **Kiley and April Fordham**; **Melinda Harlin**; **Sandra Harlin**; **Phil Astin**; **Aiden and Molly Astin**; **Jeff Denny**; **Ida Mae Holloway**; **Ansley Suddeth**; **Jane Newbern**; **Randall Buchanan**; **unfaithful members**; **young people**.  
Serving in our military:  
**Jason Benefield**, **Paul Wheeler**, **Toby Hill**.



M.E.P. Team # 2 will meet Sunday night, July 26, following the evening services at the home of Gerald and Sherry Scales. For more information see Sherry.

### *August Birthdays:*

Kiley Fordham - 7  
Donna Benefield - 8



### *August Anniversary:*

James and Linda Harrington - 18  
Wayne and Sandra Harlin - 24  
Gary and Edie - 30



Congratulations to Christy and Barry Bracknell on the birth of Omega Vera. She was born on July 22 and weighed in at 5 lbs. and 4 ozs. and was 16 inches long.