

For The Record

Bible Study.....54
Worship A.M..... 82
Worship P.M..... 51
Wednesday.....40
Contribution.....\$1321
Budget..... \$1700

Sermons

A.M. Materialism
P.M. Monthly Singing Night

Mark Your Calendar

Nov. 2 Ladies' Bible Study at 7:00 pm
Nov. 8 Family and Friends Day
Dec. 12 Holiday Dinner
Feb. 5-7 9th Annual Winter Lectureship
Chad Dollahite
Leroy Dedmon
Barry Gilreath, Sr.
Jim Dearman
Gary McDade

November Assignments

Announcements..... Kiley Fordham
Communion.....Bud Benefield
Wednesday Singing....Bud Benefield
Clean Building
Cathy and Ken Lovvorn

Good News Today Monday - Friday
Dish Network Channel 9407 and 9396 @ Noon ET
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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."

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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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Please Be Our Honored Guest

For our 9th Annual

Family and Friends Day

November 8, 2009

10:00 A.M. Bible Class - Jerome Thompson

11:00 A.M. Worship - Bill Dedmon

6:00 P.M. Worship - Bill Dedmon

Covered dish lunch following morning worship service

Attendance Goal: 150



Minister's Message

Nine years and counting! It is very difficult to realize that Connie and I have been with the Bowdon church for the past nine years. It doesn't seem nearly that long since I came to this West GA town for the very first time. When we came down from Ringgold in late August to speak to the congregation and go through that formality of "looking" each other over, I didn't have any idea that this would be the best place we have worked. I appreciate my brother Leroy telling me about you. I hope you feel the same way. Time, as we are reminded passes swiftly. Job said, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, And are spent without hope" (Job 7:6). In the New Testament book of James, "Whereas you do not know what *will happen* tomorrow. For what *is* your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away" (Jas. 4:14). I can relate to what James says, "a vapor that appears..." Those early morning foggy days in August are changed to sunshine in a moment. With no sign that a little while earlier we could not see five feet in front of us. As to the "weavers shuttle" I don't have a clue, but evidently it was something that moved very fast.

The scriptures speak of the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria carried Israel away into captivity (2 Kings 17:6). "In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and all his army came against Jerusalem, and besieged it" (Jer. 30:1). These things were not good things for God's people. But as for the Lord's people at Bowdon the ninth year has been very good.

The church here has seen some "record setting" events. In January we had a contribution of \$2,859.00 and in April 2009 we had a contribution above \$3,000.00. While I am not sure these were the biggest contributions we have ever had, they will qualify for a "record setter" in my book. In August of this year we had 94 people to attend the morning worship service. That is exciting!!!

As I reminisce over the past nine years some really good things have happened. We have had some weddings and births and then we have also had some funerals. As we experience the good things at Bowdon, I can't help but think about how nice it would have been if Sisters Mildred Scales and Elsie Benefield could have lived to see the building so full on the Lord's day.

Today, Sunday, November 1, Connie and I will begin our tenth year at Bowdon. I am excited with where we are and the potential of where we can go. Not only have we seen physical growth, but we have seen so much spiritual growth. The more we continue to grow spiritually, the more physical growth is going to come. We are certainly thankful to God for allowing us to work for Him in Bowdon.

One of our members said recently (the name will not be disclosed), "Hope you are going to be here for a long time to come..." I do, too. Nine years and counting!

-Bill



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 Devotion

November 1

Song - Josh Teel

Scripture and Prayer - Bill Nolen

November 8

Song - Zach Benefield

Scripture and Prayer - Gary Anderson

Wednesday Night Devotional

November 4

Song - Bud Benefield

Devotional - James Harrington

Announcements - James Harrington



Congratulations to grandparents Gerald and Sherry Scales on the birth of Brody Scales who weighed 9 lbs. 6 oz. Wesley and Abby are the big brother and sister.

Birthdays for November

Alyssa Wilson - 11/2

Brittany Thomas - 11/13

Susan Buchanan - 11/17

Ken Lovvorn - 11/21

Barry Bracknell - 11/24

Bud Benefield - 11/28



Bill will be leaving for Columbia Bible Institute Preachers' Retreat in Columbia, TN Monday morning and will be returning Thursday night. He will be leaving for Dayton, TN on Friday to speak at the Dayton church of Christ Lectureship on Saturday.



Jason Fordham, Kiley's brother; **Edie Anderson**; **Brooke Harris**, friend of Bill Nolen; **Gracie Gibbs**, 6 yr old friend of Sherry Scales; **Cindy Carnes**; **Linda Bracknell**; **Wayne Harlin**; **Greg and Alesa Holloway**; **Beverly Nicholson**.

Continue to remember in prayer :

Samantha and Bryan Crawford; **Kathleen Sharpe**; **Shannon Gifford**; **Brenda Green**; **Hope Hickman**; **Ervin Barnhill**; **Irene Harrington**; **Melinda Fendley**; **Reba Parsons**; **Ken and Cathy Lovvorn**; **April Fordham**; **Melinda Harlin**; **Phil, Aiden and Molly Astin**; **Jeff Denny**; **Ida Mae Holloway**; **Ansley Suddeth**; **Jane Newbern**; **unfaithful members**; **young people**.

Serving in our military:

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



Mark your calendars for next Sunday, **November 8**. Our 9th annual **Family and Friends Day** is almost here. We are planning for and expecting a big day. Invitations to mail to your friends and family are on the table in the foyer. Our attendance goal is 150.



The winter quarter of the GA School of Preaching and Biblical Studies, West GA Campus at Villa Rica, will begin on Monday, November 23. Patrick Gray will be teaching **The Scheme of Redemption** at 10:00 a.m and Bill will be teaching **Denominational Doctrines** at 7:00 p.m. Registration forms are on the table in the foyer.