

For The Record	
Bible Study.....	.61
Worship A.M.	73
Worship P.M.	40
Wednesday.....	.20
Contribution.....	\$1277
Budget.....	\$1860

Sermons	
A.M.	Challenges Facing The Church - "Attendance"
P.M.	Living for Jesus

Mark Your Calendar	
Jan. 16	Elders meet with ladies of the congregation
Jan. 23	M.E.P. Team #3
Jan. 30	5th Sunday Special Speaker
Feb. 4-6	Winter Lectureship
Feb. 6	M.E.P. Team #1
Feb. 7	Ladies' Bible Class

January Assignments	
Announcements.....	Jerome Thompson
Communion.....	Kiley Fordham
Wednesday Singing.....	Ken Lovvorn

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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LOCAL

House to House Heart to Heart

The Gospel Light

"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79
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**You Are Invited To Attend
the 10th Annual**

Winter Lectureship
Bowdon Church of Christ

February 4-6, 2011
"Contrary Winds"

Friday - February 4
7:00 p.m. Lee Davis
"Winds of Islam"
8:00 p.m. Neil Richey
"Winds of Postmodernism"

Saturday - February 5
7:00 p.m. David Decker
"Winds of Phariseism"
8:00 p.m. Tommy Tidwell
"Winds of Humanism"

Sunday - February 6
10:00 a.m. David Decker
"Winds of Progressiveness"
11:00 a.m. David Decker
"Winds of Apathy"

Ministers Message



Thanks to all the men who turned out last Sunday for the men's meeting. Perhaps we would have had more in attendance if the weather forecasters had not been predicting inclement weather, which by the way shut down our part of the world for a few days. The meeting was very encouraging and hopefully we will have more meetings like this throughout the year. Today the elders are meeting with the ladies. I hope we will have a good turnout for this meeting. Also a huge thanks to all of you who spoke some kind and encouraging words concerning the sermon last Sunday on the challenge of change. That was the first in a series of lessons on "Challenges Facing the Church." Today's lesson is the challenge of attendance. We will continue the series for several weeks. If you have a topic that would fit in the series, let me know and I will try to work it in.

The past year was a very good year for the Lord's church at Bowdon, GA. We had some of our best days. Our average attendance for Sunday morning worship was 71. We had nine Sundays where we exceeded eighty people and on two Sunday we had over one hundred. Our Sunday morning Bible Class attendance averaged fifty-three. I remember the days when we would not have had fifty for the morning worship. The exciting thing is I know we can do better in 2011. We just need to have more determination not to let anything interfere with our coming to worship.

Our meeting with Cliff Goodwin in August was the best meeting that the Bowdon church has enjoyed since I came. That is not to take anything away from our previous meetings, we have some very good meetings. This past year our attendance was unbelievable and a baptism and several restorations took place. Our meeting for 2011 will begin on July 17 with John Daniels from Sevierville, TN. On the Saturday before the meeting begins, John's wife, Nancy, will be the speaker for our Ladies' Day. Be sure to mark your calendar for these events and plan to bring someone with you. Our meetings for the next few years include, Tommy Tidwell, Richard Barnes, and Mark Posey. I am looking forward to hearing these men.

We welcomed Bud Benefield to the eldership in 2010 and look forward to working with him in the years to come. Bud is an asset to the work at Bowdon.

We will be mailing House to House and Heart to Heart to a new route beginning in March of this year. This route will border the Bowdon route to the east. A map of the route is on the bulletin board.

Connie and I are looking forward our 11th year with you in 2011.

Bill Dedmon - January 16, 2011



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.

Wednesday Night January 19

Song - Ken Lovvorn

Devotional - James Harrington

Song - James Harrington

WHY ATTEND CHURCH ?

Until one reaches the state in his Christian life that enables him to *want* to go to church, he cannot fully enjoy the worship. Certainly one should attend church because it is his duty, but the highest motive prompting one to go to church should be: he counts it a blessing to be at the hour of the Lord and mingle with the Lord's people. Duty continued will lead to the point of joyous privilege of worshiping in spirit and in truth. To have it said of Christians, "They go to church not because they ought to, but because they want to go," is the greatest compliment that can be paid to anyone. "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of Jehovah." (Ps. 122:1). "For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand, I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness." (Ps. 84:10).

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The Teachers' Workshop in Chattanooga is being rescheduled. Please be looking for the announcement of the time.



Larry Robinson; Ange Mekim, member at Douglasville; **Gerald Scales; Kendra Dearing; Michelle Bonner,** Gary Anderson's niece; **Bill and Billie Nolen.**

Continue to remember in prayer:

Cassidy Estes; Sandra Harrington; Cindy Carnes; Wayne and Sandra Harlin; Aiden and Molly Astin; Ida Mae Holloway; Brenda Green; Hope Hickman; Ansley Suddeth; Terry Benefield; Lowell Benefield; Bill Parson; Joe McCollough; Susie Newman; Tommy Young; Mary Green; Melinda Fendley; Melinda Harlin; Jason Fordham; Linda Barnett; Bobbie Brown; Bill Weeks; Edwin Akin; Jessica Osborne; Douglas Glosson.

Serving in our military:

Jason Benefield, Paul Wheeler, Toby Hill, Timothy Hand.



A new Sunday morning Bible class is being formed. It is open to anyone who would like to learn more about the church. The class will be using the book, "Why I Am A Member of the Church of Christ."



M.E.P Team #3 will meet at the home of Gerald and Sherry Scales, January 23, following the evening service. See Sherry for more information.



The elders will be meeting with the ladies of the congregation on Sunday, January 16, at 5:00 p.m. All of the ladies of the church are asked to attend.