

For The Record	
Bible Study. . . . .	49
Worship A.M. . . . .	68
Worship P.M. . . . .	44
Wednesday. . . . .	43
Contribution. . . . .	\$1961
Budget. . . . .	\$1860

**Sermons**

A.M. Christ's church  
P.M. McKinley Pate to speak

**Mark Your Calendar**

May 10 M. E. P. Team #2  
May 14 Scott Wilson & Emily Morrow wedding @ Villa Rica  
May 15 Teachers' Meeting  
May 21 Graduate Cookout  
June 12-16 Vacation Bible School  
July 16 Ladies' Day  
July 17 - 21 Gospel Meeting

**May Assignments**

Announcements. . . . . David Glosson  
Communion. . . . . Kiley Fordham  
Wed. Singing. . . Wes and Zach Benefield

**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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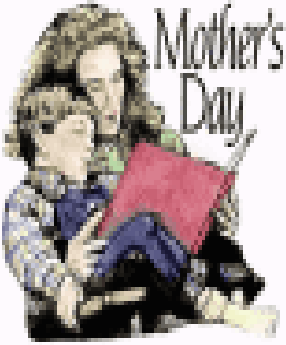
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# The Gospel Light

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**“Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise.”**

**Eph. 6:1,2**

## Our Worst Enemy

Late on Sunday night, May 1, 2011, news of the death of Osama bin Laden hit the airwaves. As the news reached the ears of the American people, celebrations began in New York City at the site where on September 11, 2001, the World Trade Center were brought down by terrorist at the bidding of bin Laden. The FBI had Osama bin Laden listed as "Public enemy number one" for years. He was by far the most wanted man on the planet. In the minds of most Americans and others around the world our worst enemy is dead.

The death of bin Laden does not mean that our worst enemy is dead. One very diabolical and heinous person is dead, but our worst enemy is the Devil and, rest assured, he is alive and well. Peter says that the Devil, our adversary, "...as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (1 Peter 5:8). Peter was well versed in the actions of the serpent, Satan. Jesus said to him, "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have* you, that he may sift *you* as wheat" (Lk. 22:31). Speaking of our arch enemy, Satan, the apostle Paul wrote, "And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will" (II Tim.2:26). "Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices" (II Cor. 2:11).

Our nation's intelligence community was aware of the *devises* of Osama bin Laden and that a highly trained unit of Navy Seals was able to take bin Laden out. As a result of their actions, he will never be a threat to anyone again.

What about our intelligence of our worst enemy, Satan? Are we gathering information on him? Do we know how he works? Do we know his strategy? The devil uses many tactics to get people into his domain. Among the many devises he has at his disposal, lying is one that is used very effectively. "Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it" (John 8:44).

One of the Devil's lies is: "It is too hard to follow God's word." To say it another way, "If you try to live up to Gods expectations you will be the most miserable person in the world." The truth is Christians know how to have a good time. In fact the only truly happy people are the children of God, "Happy is the people..." (Ps. 144:15). While there are times that living a Christian life can be difficult, over all, a Christian will be much happier following God and his Word. The Christian life offers hope and Satan's way cannot give anything past the present. Don't believe Satan's lie that living the Christian life is to hard and no fun.

Another of the Devil's lies is that you can worship God in any way you want as long as you do it from the heart. Jeroboam tried that when he moved the place of worship and set up alters in Dan and Bethel (I Kings 12:28,29).

Perhaps the most damning lie is that you have plenty of time to obey God. Many put off until tomorrow only to discover there is no tomorrow. "For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation" (II Cor. 6:2).

We do not need to forget that Satan is our enemy, our worst enemy, and we must be vigilant to keep our distance and not be caught in one of his traps.

Bill Dedmon - 5/8/2011



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, May 11

Singing - Wes Benefield  
Devotional - Bill Dedmon  
Announcements - Bill Dedmon



Waco Meeting with Billy Hayes, Lineville, AL, May 13-15. Service times: Friday, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday 6:00 and 7:00 p.m.; and 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.



On Saturday, May 21, we will honor our high school and college graduates with a cookout at the church building. If you are graduating this year, please give Bill a picture and information about your school and future plans. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.



*House to House and Heart to Heart* has been a very effective tool for us to use to get the Word of God out to our community.

The July and August editions will be mailed to Ranburne and Muscadine in AL and Roopville in GA.

### *The elders*



Eric Ballard came forward Wednesday night asking for the prayers of the church with some difficulties in his life. Please remember our brother Eric in your prayers.



**Anna Harris** was with us Sunday; **Bill Parson**, Kathy Skinner's dad; **Lorene Cooke**, Kathy Skinner's aunt; **Jesse Bracknell** will undergo back surgery in June; **Jimmie Lou and Michele Bonner**, Gary Anderson's sister and niece; **Bill and Billie Nolen**; **Melinda Fendley**; **Sharon Higgins**, cousin of Irvin Smith; Those affected by the recent tornados.

### Continue to remember in prayer:

**Cassidy Estes**; **Kathy Skinner**; **Cindy Carnes**; **Wayne and Sandra Harlin**; **Aiden and Molly Astin**; **Ida Mae Holloway**; **Brenda Green**; **Hope Hickman**; **Terry Benefield**; **Lowell Benefield**; **Joe McCollough**; **Susie Newman**; **Tommy Young**; **Mary Green**; **Melinda Harlin**; **Jason Fordham**; **Linda Barnett**; **Bobbie Brown**; **Douglas Glosson**; **Angela Edwards**; **Robert and Marthanell Ballard**; **Diane Copeland Chandler**.

### Serving in our military:

**Jason Benefield**, **Toby Hill**, **Timothy Hand**, **Keith Freeman**.



Remember the teachers' meeting on Sunday afternoon, May 15, at 5:00 in the fellowship room. See Bud if you cannot attend.



M.E.P. Team # 2 will meet at the home of Ken and Cathy Lovvorn on Tuesday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. Please see Cathy for more information.