

**For The Record**

Bible Study.....	46
Sunday AM.....	57
Sunday PM.....	.44
Wednesday.....	.53
Contribution.....	\$1040
Budget.....	\$1380
Over/Under YTD.....	+\$421

**Sermons**

A.M. Jesus - The Last Week  
P.M. Monthly Singing Night

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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."



**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**SUNDAY**  
Bible Study 10:00  
Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm  
**WEDNESDAY**  
Bible Study 7:00 pm

**SHEPHERDS**

Bill Dedmon  
James Harrington  
Greg Holloway  
Donnie Truett

**DEACONS**

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Phil Harrington  
Gerald Scales

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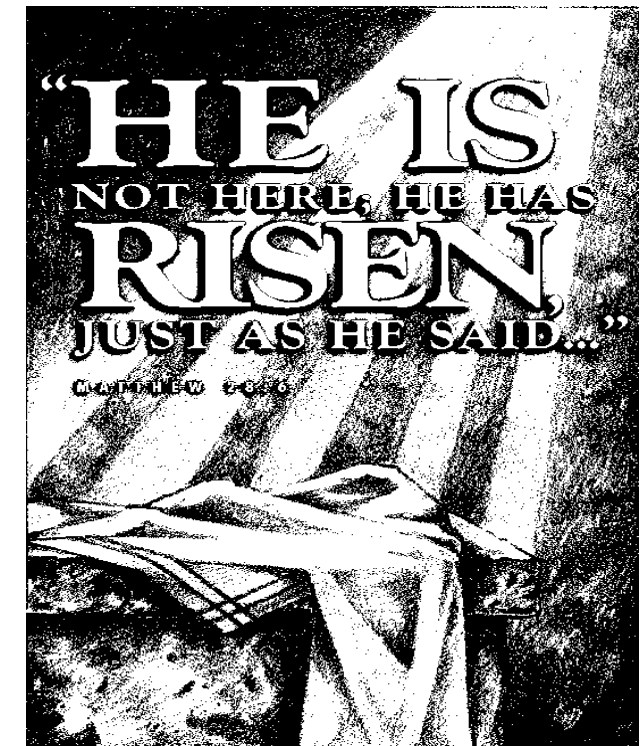
Roger Leonard  
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# The Gospel Light

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

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## A BAG WITH HOLES

Haggai 1:6 is an interesting passage. “You have sown much and bring in little; you eat but do not have enough; you drink but you are not filled with drink; you clothe yourselves but no one is warm; and he who earns wages, earns wages to put into a bag with holes.” The concentration of the people, at this time, was on the material and secular. A long period had elapsed since they had returned from captivity. They had delayed in rebuilding the Lord’s house and showed little interest in that direction. Instead, all efforts were centered on accumulating earthly treasure. It was folly. The prophet described their efforts as putting money into “a bag with holes”. Many yet make this same tragic mistake.

It is easy to view the future and develop a rather rosy picture. We live in a fashion more fabulous than the kings of years gone by. We have comforts and conveniences that were beyond the dreams of people just fifty years ago. Many predict even better times ahead. Prosperity seems to be in the bag.

Research institutes predict that in a few more years our homes will be lighted, cooled and heated by the sun. There actually may be cars that run on water! Predictions are also made of shorter workweeks and guaranteed salary and benefits.

But this bag has holes. “. . . One’s life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses” (Luke 12:15). Wealth, luxurious living and life being on a continuous holiday is not truly satisfying. The Bible instructs, “Better is little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith” (Proverbs 15:16).

Then there is the idea that how we live does not affect our relationship with God. I know people who seem quite religious but they seem to divorce moral and right living from religion. With many there is a great gulf between what they say on Sunday morning and what they do the rest of the week. Forgotten is that day, “When God will judge the secrets of man by Jesus Christ according to my gospel” (Romans 2:16).

We may have in our land bibles, churches and schools in unprecedented numbers. “In God we trust” may be inscribed on our money. But it should be remembered that God is not mocked and men and nations will reap what they sow. In this land proclaiming to trust God, sodomy runs rampant. Infanticide is practiced in numerous clinics in our larger cities. Condoms are passed out in the schools and graphic sex perversions are taught to kindergarten age children. In this land proclaiming to trust in God and that claims to put such a premium on education proposals are made to mongrelize our language and right now few who graduate from high school can diagram a simple declarative sentence. Children can tell you about the sex life of the movie stars but are blank on who people like Jonas Salk or Carl Sandberg were.

There was a man who once proclaimed he had all he needed for happiness; “he had need of nothing”. God called him a fool (Luke 12:20-21). He had a bag with holes. Men still seek to ignore God and leave him out of their plans. But their search will prove to be futile. We must seek after those things that are above and not put our efforts into a bag with holes.

—Leon Cole via [www.hattoncoc.org](http://www.hattoncoc.org)



Welcome to the Bowdon church of Christ. We are happy you have come to worship with us today. It is our prayer that the worship service will be fulfilling and uplifting. Please fill out an attendance card.

### *Sunday Morning Devotional*

April 2

Song - Ben Teel

Scripture and Prayer- Larry Robinson

April 9

Song - Zach Benefield

Scripture and Prayer - James Harrington

### *Wednesday Night Devotional*

April 5

Song - Ben Teel

Devotional - Bill Dedmon

Announcements - Bill Dedmon



The bi-monthly Youth devotional will be at Ben and Katie Teel’s house tonight following the evening service.



Please welcome **Samantha Wilson** to God’s family at Bowdon. Samantha was baptized into Christ Sunday morning by Kiley Fordham. Her address is 386 Larry Keaton Road, Carrollton, GA 30116. **Bill and Billie Nolen** have expressed their desire to be identified with the church at Bowdon. We are happy to have them with us. Their address is 220 Burwell Road, Carrollton, GA 30117.

**Lindy Gowens** responded to the Lord’s invitation Sunday morning asking for forgiveness and the prayers of the church.



**Norman Whitaker**, Donnie Truett’s cousin, and his wife, **Katie**, are very ill in Birmingham, AL. **LouEllen Fendly**, Sandra Harrington’s mother, is in Tanner. **Susan Buchanan**, **Ansley Suddeth**, **Irene Harrington**, **Elsie Benefield**, **Ida Mae Holloway**, **Claude Harris**, **Eueline Warren**, **Charles Gowens**, **Jeff Denney**.

### Birthdays

Cathy Lovvorn - 4/3

Julie Wilson - 4/10

Mark Wilson - 4/13

Eva Johnson - 4/19

Clay Holloway - 4/22

Andrew Harrington - 4/25

Linda Harrington - 4/25



Ladies Bible Class, Tuesday, April 4, at 7:00 pm in the church library.

Our first Game Night of 2006 is Friday, April 7, at 7:00 p.m. Bring finger foods, your favorite board game, and enjoy the fun.

Our monthly Fellowship Meal will be Sunday, April 9, following the evening service.

Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 15. Details to be announced.

Ladies’ Day at Cedartown on Saturday, April 8. We will leave the church building at 8:30 am.

### Those to serve in April:

Announcements - Adam Holloway

Communion - Kiley Fordham

Wednesday Singing - Ben Teel

Clean Building - Sandra Harrington