

**For The Record**

Bible Study.....	47
Sunday AM.....	60
Sunday PM.....	44
Wednesday.....	35
Contribution.....	\$1738
Budget.....	\$1550
Over/Under YTD.....	+ \$4392

**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?"

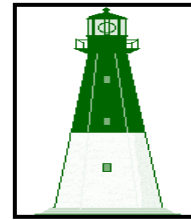
**Believe** - (John 8:24) "I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins."

**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**

Bud Benefield  
Phil Harrington  
Gerald Scales

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**OUTREACH**

Ken Lovvorn

**YOUTH DIRECTOR**

Jerome Thompson

**MISSIONS**

Roger Leonard  
Corinto, Nicaragua

**Sermons:**

A.M. The church at Ephesus  
P.M. Monthly Singing Night

**Mark Your Calendar**

December 8 Men's Planning Day  
December 13 Ladies' Gift Exchange  
December 23 Kids' Holiday Party  
December 23 Roger Russell preaching  
at both services  
December 31 New Years Eve  
get-together

**West GA School of  
Biblical Studies**

Classes Begin January 7, 2008  
Registration forms are available on the  
table in the foyer.

**Privileged To Serve (December)**

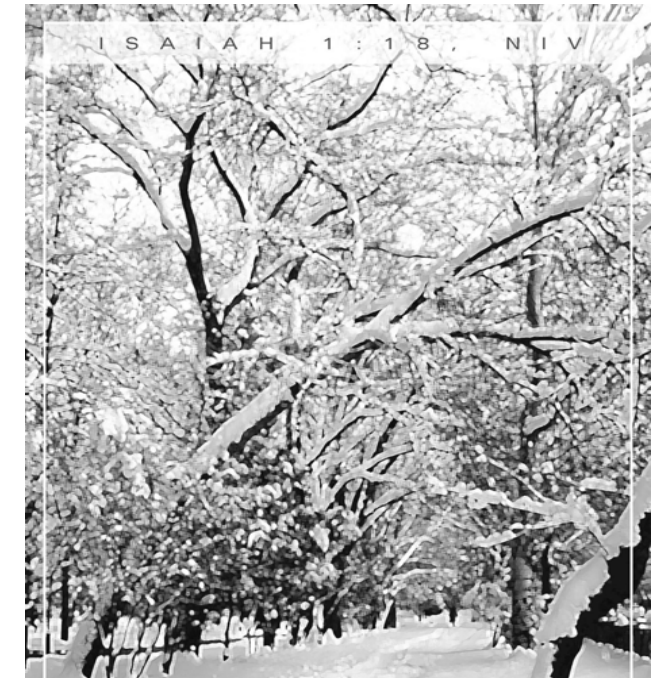
Announcements..... Gary Anderson  
Lord's Supper..... Kiley Fordham  
Wed. Singing..... Phil Harrington  
Clean Building  
Bill and Connie Dedmon

**The Gospel Light**

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

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*"Though your sins  
are like scarlet, they shall  
be as white as snow ...."*

## LEARNING WHEN TO QUIT

A retired gentleman spent most afternoons at the local golf course. Every day he would spend about three hours out on the course, playing a round by himself. When he would return to the club house, the resident pro would inquire about his score.

"Ed, how'd you shoot today?", to which the man would always reply, "Another perfect par." The golf pro (being of average intelligence) knew that there was no way the old man was shooting straight par every day, but since he was a regular customer, he didn't want to insult the man by accusing him of lying.

Finally, one day, the pro decided to accompany the old man on his daily round, just to see for himself. On the first tee, the older gentleman sliced the ball way off into the rough. He found his ball, but his second shot was even worse. Finally putting it into the first hole (a par 4) took him 8 swings. The golf pro thought to himself, "I knew it. This old geezer's been lying all this time. There is no way he is gonna shoot anywhere near par."

They continued on, and the old man's game stayed the same, never once getting a par on any one hole. After almost 3 hours, they teed off on the 13th hole. The old man actually hit it straight down the middle — it was the best shot he had made all day! He promptly walked down the fairway to his ball, picked it up, and began walking back to the clubhouse.

The pro was confused. "Hey, that was a great shot. Where are you going now?"

"Oh, I'm done," the old man replied with a smile, "That shot was number 72...another perfect par!"

I'll have to try that sometime (of course, I'd never find out what the back nine looks like! :-). I guess the moral of the story above is: If you know when to quit, you can shoot par every time! As Christians, it's also important for us to know when to quit (and what to quit!).

"But now also put these things out of your life: anger, bad temper, doing or saying things to hurt others, and using evil words when you talk. Do not lie to each other. You have left your old sinful life and the things you did before. You have begun to live the new life, in which you are being made new and are becoming like the One who made you...." (Col. 3:8-10a, NCV)

If you're having trouble "shooting par" in your Christian life (our goal is to become like Christ), maybe you just need to learn when to quit!

Alan Smith *via Highway Church of Christ, Sullivan, IL*



Welcome to our visitors. You are our special guest. Please fill out an attendance card so we may have a record of your attendance.

### Sunday Morning Devotional

December 2

Song - Wes Benefield

Scripture and Prayer - Ron Wilson

December 9

Song - Gerald Scales

Scripture and Prayer - Casey Ballard

### Wednesday Night Devotional

December 5

Song - Phil Harrington

Devotional - Bill Dedmon

Announcements - Bill Dedmon



Men's planning day is December 8. Breakfast will be served at 8:00 am. Please sign the list on the table. If you are not able to be here for breakfast (or just don't trust the cook), the planning meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m.



Both M.E.P groups will meet on Sunday night, December 9, following the evening service. There will not be a meal. The group will meet to send cards. Ken has put a list on the bulletin board for you to sign stating your preference for which night you wish to meet either Sunday night or Tuesday night.



The "Pewpackers" class will not meet until after the first of the year.



**Kelly Thompson** will be undergoing treatment on her heart at Piedmont Hospital, December 6; **Richard Drummond**, April Fordham's father, will be having back surgery in December; **Audrey Marlow**, Ken Lovvorn's aunt; **Willard Elder**, Jada Truett's father; **Taylor Brown**; **Jean Allen**, Eva Johnson's sister; **Melinda Harlin**; **Jeff Denney**; **Bill Johnson**; **Irene Harrington**; **Elsie Benefield**; **Ida Mae Holloway**; **Ansley Suddeth**; **Ruby Dedmon**, Bill's mother; **Melinda Fendley**, Sandra Harrington's sister, **Dwayne and Tina Noles**.

### Serving in our military:

**Tony Goodman, Jason Benefield, Cope Rowell, Keith Freeman.**



Sherry Scales has written a newsletter regarding the Ladies' Gift Exchange on Thursday night, December 13, at 6:30 pm and the Kids' Holiday Party on Sunday night, December 23, after service. Please get a copy from her for these two events. The kids will be drawing names in the next couple of weeks.



Bill and Connie will be spending the holidays in Ringgold. Roger Russell, Bill and Billie Nolen's son-in-law, will be preaching at both services on December 23.



If you need to borrow chairs or tables from the fellowship room, please sign them out on the list in the storage room.