

Sixth Avenue Church of Christ  
 1501 6th Ave. ♦ Jasper, Alabama ♦ 35501  
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# Glad Tidings

## HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY (Part 2)

### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday:

Bible Classes . . . . . 9:00 A.M.  
 Worship . . . . . 10:00 A.M./5:00 P.M.

#### Wednesday:

Morning Bible class (Sep-Mar) . . 10:00 A.M.  
 Evening Bible study . . . . . 7:00 P.M.

**Elders:** Jimmie Alexander, Billy Davidson, Neil Evans, Dempsey Jones, Danny Latham, and Bo Myers

**Deacons:** Brad Brasfield, Wayne Brown, Danny Gurganus, Danny Hyde, Phillip Horton, Phillip Jones, Steve Jones, Bobby Nunnelley, Brack O’Rear, Conard Smith, Gary Taft, Buddy Tubbs, Steve Williams, Roger Wilson, Skoot Wilson.

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#### Works of Evangelism

- ▶ Gus Nichols’ School of Biblical Studies
- ▶ Myanmar Bible School
- ▶ “Fishers of Men” Program
- ▶ Cy Stafford, Tanzania
- ▶ “Seeking the Lost” International Radio
- ▶ Gospel Broadcasting Network
- ▶ Apologetics Press
- ▶ Jamaica Mission
- ▶ 24th Street C/C “Know The Truth” TV Broadcast
- ▶ Crossroads C/C (Deaf Ministry)
- ▶ Truth For The World
- ▶ John Hurt’s Correspondence Courses
- ▶ World Bible School (correspondence)

#### Works of Benevolence

- ▶ Childhaven Children’s Home
- ▶ Food Pantry; Outreach Center

#### Works of Edification

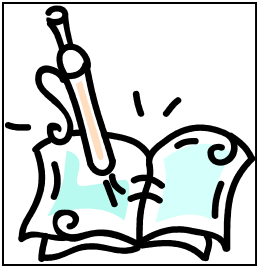
- ▶ Daily radio program on WJLX (1240 AM & 101.5 FM) . . . . . at 8:00 A.M.
- ▶ *The Words of Truth*, a monthly teaching publication reaching over 4,000 families

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Add to this the foolishness of so desiring material benefit that one would resort to unethical, unprincipled, and ungodly measures for a few dollars more: “Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivereth from death” (Proverbs 11:4). “He that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but the righteous shall flourish as a branch” (Proverbs 11:28). Paul warned about the foolish pursuit of material goods when he wrote, “For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out...But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows...Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy” (1 Timothy 6:7, 9-10, 17). The ill-gotten gain of the dishonest will bring him no advantage in the Day of Judgment, but will only bring misery and regret for eternity.

God expects man to be honest in his dealings with his fellow-man because He is just and upright in His dealings with us. God is fair and consistent as He measures our lives according to His word. God is described as using a fair balance and just weights: “A just weight and balance are the LORD’S: all the weights of the bag are his work” (Proverbs 16:11). Our lives are under constant observation and evaluation in God’s balance. Recall God’s warning to Belshazzar, “Thou are weighed in the balances, and art found wanting” (Daniel 5:27). In order to reflect God’s equity in our lives, we are instructed to be honest and upright with one another. “Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I am the Lord your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt” (Leviticus 19:36). We are told to, “Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men” (Romans 12:17). “Providing for things honest, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men” (2 Corinthians 8:21). Those who would act dishonestly toward others for the purpose of gaining advantage show a lack of trust in God’s promises to provide for His children. We have the assurance that God will care for us if we put Him first: “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you” (Matthew 6:33). Solomon advises us, “Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding...Honor the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine” (Proverbs 3:5, 9-10). David’s observation reiterates God’s marvelous promise: “I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread” (Psalm 37:25). There is no need to resort to less-than-honest means of making gain when one is striving to do the will of God. We all know God’s promise never to leave or forsake us (Hebrews 13:5), but that is set in a larger context that we often ignore. The verse instructs us to “let your conversation be without covetousness, and be content with such things as ye have.” Why can we have a manner of life devoid of covetousness, filled instead with contentment and gladness? Because God will provide for us! He will not leave us or forsake us! Dishonesty for the purpose of gaining unfair advantage over others exhibits blatant disregard for God’s providence in our lives. The man who would be pleasing to the Lord realizes that he must show equity and honesty in his interactions with his neighbor, knowing that God is measuring his life in the balances of eternity. May we, like Job, ask of God, “Let me be weighed in an even balance, that God may know mine integrity” (Job 31:6).

*Patrick Morrison*



# FAMILY NOTES



## KIDS' SING

We will have **Kids' Sing** on **Sunday, June 27**, at **5:00 p.m.** before the **evening service**. All young people please sit on the front two rows.

## 4TH SUNDAY NIGHT SINGING EMPHASIS

We will have our **4th Sunday Night Singing Emphasis** on **Sunday, June 27**. All **men**, young and older, are encouraged to lead a song. **Please give your selection to the control room prior to this service.**

## SINGING IN THE PARK

On **Sunday, June 27**, there will be a **Singing in the Park 2010** at the **Ivan K Hill Recreational Park in Winfield** at **8:00 p.m.** For more info about the singing: Nick Jones @ 205-487-2926.

## OUTREACH CENTER NEEDS

The **Outreach Center** is in need of **Baby Clothes, Furniture, and Household items**. If you have any to donate, please bring them to the church building or office.

## VBS DOOR-KNOCKING DAY

On **July 17th** we will have a **Big VBS Door-Knocking Day**, open to all ages. In the meantime start inviting your neighbors and friends. Postcards on Foyer Tract table.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEEDS

Our **Vacation Bible School** is coming up soon: **July 19-22**. We are in need of **CHICKEN WIRE, OLD NEWSPAPERS, FOUNTAIN PUMP, FOG MACHINE, YARD STAKES**. Please sign up on the youth board if you can bring any of these items, and please bring to the church building or office.

## PANTRY

Please remember our pantry each week. We need **NON-PERISHABLE, BASIC FOOD ITEMS**. **ITEMS OF THE WEEK: CANNED VEGETABLES, MEAT, FRUIT, OATMEAL; SOUP; PEANUT BUTTER.** You can bring them to the church building or by the office. If you would prefer to contribute money to this program, see any of the elders or Sarah.

## SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of **Robert Dover**. He was the husband of **Dee Dover** (2506 Oakridge Drive, Jasper 35504), the father of **Robin (David) Peters** (3708 Ashwood Drive, Jasper 35504) and the grandfather of **Brandon Peters** and **Lauren Mallard**.

## DAILY RADIO PROGRAM

Remember our **radio program** every morning at **8:00 a.m.** on **WJLX, 1240 AM** and now on **101.5 FM**. You can also listen to the program **LIVE** at **8:00 a.m. CST** from anywhere in the world. Just go to [www.walkercountyradio.com](http://www.walkercountyradio.com).

## SUMMER SERIES 2010

### JESUS CHRIST WILL GIVE ME STRENGTH!

**"I can do all things through Christ who strengthened me." Philippians 4:13)**

**June 30**—"To Grow Old Gracefully"  
Speaker: **Neil Myers**

**July 7**—"To Face My Finances"  
Speaker: **James Wyers**

**July 14**—"To Rear My Children"  
Speaker: **Mark Howell**

**July 21**—"To Be An Example In My Youth"  
(VBS) Speaker: **Jack Norris**

**July 28**—"To Go The Second Mile"  
Speaker: **Cliff Goodwin**

**August 4**—"To Cope With Mistreatment By Others"  
Speaker: **Ray Brunner**

**August 11**—"To Console My Grief"  
Speaker: **W.T. Allison**

**August 18**—"To Remain Faithful To Him"  
Speaker: **Vance Hutton**

**August 25**—"To Make Heaven My Home"  
Speaker: **Floyd Rodgers**

## THANK YOU!

To the church at Sixth Avenue

I may sound like a broken record, but time is swiftly passing. The last days of school present a busy itinerary: school work, searching for a congregation, finding a house, *The Truth in Love Lectureship*, school activities, the MSOP Graduation, among other things. It does not seem possible that our time at MSOP is coming to an end! Nevertheless, all things present must come to an end, but with an ending comes a new beginning. Please remember us during this transitional stage in our lives, as we are aiming to find the right congregation with which to work.

Thank you for your support; we could not be here if it were not for faithful brethren. I pray that God will continue to bless the efforts of this congregation.

In Him, Barry Gilreath, III

*\*\*We have supported Barry for two years at the Memphis School of Preaching.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE CONTACT ELDER

If you have an announcement for the **Contact Elder**, please do this **in writing** and give to him **ASAP before Classes begin or immediately after class**.

## ELDERS' MEETING

The **Elders** meet every **1st and 3rd Sundays** in the **Church Office**. If you would like to meet with them at any time, please contact the church office at **384-6446** so that you can be put on the agenda to meet with them.

## ADDRESS CHANGES

Please let us know if you have a change of address. The *Words of Truth* and *Glad Tidings* **ARE NOT FORWARDED!** They are returned to us with a \$.50 charge for each one. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. **Also, if you would like to receive either publication by e-mail, please let us know. This will save postage, and you will receive it quicker!!**

## DO YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS??

Do you have an email address? Are you on the Email list at the church office? Please email the office at [sarahcroberts@bellsouth.net](mailto:sarahcroberts@bellsouth.net). This is a very effective way for us to send out lots of useful information.

## UPCOMING AREA YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- **June 27—Singing in the Park 2010**, Ivan K Hill Recreational Park, Winfield, 8:00 p.m. For more info: Nick Jones @ 205-487-2926.
- **June 27-July 1—Vacation Bible School**, Blackwater Macedonia Church of Christ, 7:00-8:30 p.m. nightly. Classes for all ages. For more info: 205-384-6330.
- **July 17—Youth Day 2010**, Tidwell Chapel Church of Christ, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Registration: 8:30 a.m. For more info: 205-487-6193.
- **July 19-22—Vacation Bible School**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ.

## UPCOMING AREA ACTIVITIES:

- **June 27—Preaching the Gospel**, with James Watkins, 6:00 a.m. Dish Network, channel 259; Direct TV, channel 364.
- **June 27—Homecoming**, East Walker Church of Christ. Guest speaker: Claude Flynn. Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.; Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Fellowship Meal; Afternoon worship: 1:00 p.m. For more info: 205-648-3488.
- **June 29—Summer Series**, Parrish Church of Christ, 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker: Paul Spurlin. For more info: 205-686-7996.
- **July 18-23—Gospel Meeting**, Blackwater Macedonia Church of Christ. Guest speaker: Michael Shepherd. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 7:30 p.m.; Monday-Friday: 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. For more info: 205-384-6330.
- **July 20—Video Bible Classes**, Mt. Harmony Church of Christ, 6:00 p.m. For more info: [noahsbears@netzero.net](mailto:noahsbears@netzero.net).
- **August 13—Celebrate in Song**, Cox Boulevard Church of Christ, Sheffield. For more info: 256-383-1618/ [www.coxblvd.org](http://www.coxblvd.org).
- **August 27-September 2—Polishing the Pulpit**, Sevierville, TN. For more info: [www.PolishingThePulpit.com](http://www.PolishingThePulpit.com).
- **August 28—Ladies' Day**, Zion Church of Christ, also hosted by the Clover Hill Church of Christ, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Breakfast & lunch will be served.
- **September 26-29—Gospel Meeting**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ. Guest speaker: B.J. Clarke.

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## **THOSE TO SERVE**

**Contact Elder ..... Neil Evans**

### **WORSHIP A.M.—JUNE 27**

**Lead Singing ..... Jim Alexander**

**Opening Prayer ..... John Welch**

**Scripture Reading ..... Jake Taft**

**Sermon ..... Patrick Morrison**

**Closing Prayer ..... Skoot Wilson**

### **WORSHIP P.M.—JUNE 27**

**Lead Singing ..... Jack Norris**

**Opening Prayer ..... Danny Latham**

**Sermon ..... Levi Sides**

**Closing Prayer ..... Walker Williams**

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING—JUNE 30**

**Announcements ..... Patrick Morrison**

**Lead Singing ..... Kyle Shadix**

**Opening Prayer ..... Tim Shadix**

**Invitation ..... Neil Myers**

**Closing Prayer ..... Danny Gurganus**

(If unable to serve, please call:  
Neil Evans: 221-9229  
Conard Smith: 387-0148)

## **VIDEO MANAGERS**

### **JUNE, 2010**

Danny Hyde and Mike Tubbs

### **VAN DRIVERS**

#### **JUNE 27, 2010**

Wayne Brown

#### **JULY 4, 2010**

Billy Davidson

### **GREETERS**

#### **JUNE 27, 2010**

Neil & Sandi Evans  
Jackie Gray; Bettye Pennington  
Hap & George Ann Johnson

#### **JULY 4, 2010**

Phillip & Ginger Horton  
Steve & Suzanne Jone  
Edna Müller; Eva Nell Naramore

(If unable to serve, please call: Phillip Jones: 384-5268)

## **NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

### **JUNE 27, 2010**

**WORSHIP A.M.**

Peggy Brown  
Sandi Evans

**WORSHIP P.M.**

Tammy Williams  
Maggie Williams

### **JULY 4, 2010**

**WORSHIP A.M.**

Pam McKelvey  
Pat Sawyer

**WORSHIP P.M.**

Gail Sortino  
Heather Thomasson

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