

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

## 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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**Secretary:** Sarah Roberts (205-384-6446, office); sarahcroberts@bellsouth.net

### 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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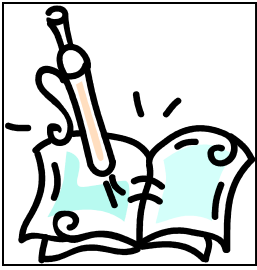
## THE CHURCH—THE KINGDOM OF GOD (Part 1)

The vast majority of “Christian” denominations teach that the church and the kingdom of God are two completely separate and distinct institutions. The damnable doctrine of premillennialism is at the heart of the attempt to draw lines of distinction between the church and the kingdom. In a nutshell, those who advocate premillennialism teach that Jesus the Messiah came to earth in order to establish an earthly kingdom in Jerusalem. However, the Jews rejected him and his ideals, and put Him to death upon the cross, thwarting the attempt of the Godhead to establish this terrestrial Messianic kingdom. In place of this earthly kingdom, Christ then set up the church to act as a stand-in for the kingdom until such time as he can return and try the second time, albeit successfully on this attempt, to establish his earthly kingdom headquartered in Jerusalem. There are a number of problems with this devilish, yet extremely popular, teaching.

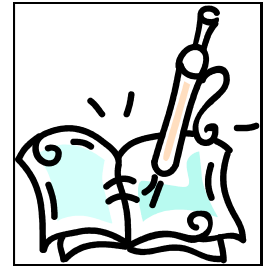
First of all, why would the Jews reject a physical kingdom based in Jerusalem when they so desperately wanted that to come to pass? With the exception of but a few, the Jews as a whole viewed the coming Messiah and his kingdom as an earthly institution which would be their deliverance from Roman oppression. On a number of occasions the Jews tried to take Jesus and force him to be king, but each time he fled from them. Why refuse their attempts if an earthly king was part of the Divine plan? Even those closest to Christ, His apostles, greatly misunderstood the kingdom. James and John, the sons of Zebedee, sought out positions of greatness in the Messianic kingdom, believing it to be earthly in nature (Matthew 20:20, 21). Even after Jesus had been crucified, the apostles still did not understand the nature of the kingdom of the Lord. When Jesus appeared to them before his ascension, his followers asked, “[W]ilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel” (Acts 1:6)? They were looking for the restoration of Israel to her former glory as a great political and military power, this being the Jewish concept of the Messianic kingdom. Christ’s teaching while upon earth left no doubt as to the nature of His coming kingdom. Consider John 18:36, 37: “My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.” Notice that Jesus states He was born to be a king, and that was His reason for coming to this earth, but that His kingdom is spiritual in nature, not earthly. This should forever put to rest the false notion that Jesus will reign over a physical kingdom.

Second, the premillennial view of the church, that it is nothing more than an afterthought, a fill-in, does not find harmony with what the Bible teaches regarding the church. While men say that the church is not important, that it was plan B, the Bible teaches that the church has always been a part of the Divine plan to save man through the Messiah. Paul states, “To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, [a]ccording to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Ephesians 3:10, 11). This passage destroys any idea of the church being an afterthought, for Paul states that the church is the eternal purpose of God. Christ considered the church of utmost importance, for He gave his very life for it (Acts 20:28; Ephesians 5:25). Does this sound like an unimportant secondary plan? Absolutely not!

*Patrick Morrison*



# FAMILY NOTES



## RESPONSE

Sunday, August 15, was another great day at Sixth Avenue. **Darryl Owen** (1984 Ferguson Road, Nauvoo 35578) responded requesting forgiveness and the prayers of the congregation. Darryl is the stepson of Harold Nix. Let's be sure to encourage him as he has encouraged all of us!

## YOUTH BIBLE BOWL AND REFRESHMENTS

The **Youth Bible Bowl (John 1-3 NKJV)** will resume on **Sunday, August 22, 2:00 p.m.**, here at **Sixth Avenue**. If you can help with the **competition** or with **refreshments**, please **sign up** on the **Youth Board**, or see **Clay**. **Parents**, make sure your kids are involved, open to ages **5-20!!**

## KIDS' SING

We will have **Kids' Sing** on **Sunday, August 22**, 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, August 22**. All **men**, young and older, are encouraged to lead a song. **Please give your selection to the control room prior to this service.**

## TIME CHANGE FOR SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

On **Sunday, August 29**, our **Sunday Evening Worship Service** will begin at **1:00 p.m.** **Students** that we support in **Preaching School** will be speaking to us at this time. Please note this change to our regular schedule.

## HOMEBUILDERS FELLOWSHIP AND PLANNING MEETING

The **Homebuilders** will have a **Fellowship and Planning Meeting** on **Sunday, September 12**, in the **Ark Room**, following the morning service. Be making plans now to attend.

## 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**.

## NEW CLASS FOR SINGLE AND MARRIED YOUNGER WOMEN

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Our Elders of Sixth Avenue have approved a Sunday morning class for our single and married younger women, and we are humbled to have been asked to plan, organize, and teach this class.

We will begin this class on Sunday morning, September 5, and pray that you will join us as we discuss the Biblical approach to marriage, parenting, and life in general.

Paul instructed us in Titus 2:3-5 that the older women are to teach the younger women (through example and with words) to be loving wives and mothers and to instruct and guide them through the Word of God. We need to encourage one another and help one another. God's plan works when we apply His teaching to our lives.

Please do join us! Sunday morning, September 5, 9:00 a.m. (We will assemble in the large classroom at the bottom of the main stairs, across from the men's restroom.) Let's help each other go to heaven and encourage each other to be better Christians.

Love in Him,

Carol Alexander and Janet Wilson

## GUS NICHOLS' SCHOOL OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

The **Gus Nichols' School of Biblical Studies** will begin a **new semester** on **Thursday, September 9**.

Following is a schedule of classes:

**Paul Wylie School of Congregational Singing—**

6:00-6:50 p.m.—Rob Gurganus

**Chapel —7:00-7:30 p.m.—Vance Hutton**

**Greek For the Rest of Us—**

7:40-8:30 p.m.—Justin Guin

**The General and Johannine Epistles—**

8:40-9:30 p.m.—James Willcutt

Classes will meet for 10 weeks. There is no cost to attend. Certificates will be awarded on the final evening of class

For more info, call **Levi Sides, 205-384-6446**.

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**SUMMER SERIES 2010**  
**JESUS CHRIST WILL GIVE ME STRENGTH!**

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

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

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**MARY HUTTO MISSION FUND**

Sixth Ave. is contributing \$500.00 from the Mary Hutto Mission fund to Kensington Woods Church of Christ to help some men go to Tanzania to build a small house for a brother there by the name of Blind Man Moses. The house will consist of three 12'x12' rooms: a kitchen, family room and bedroom. It will have a concrete floor and pitched roof topped with tin. This will allow him to no longer live in a goat shed. Let's all pray for their safe and productive trip and for this poor brother.

Do each of us need to take a minute to recount our blessings?

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR OUTREACH**

The **Outreach Program** is collecting **School Supplies: Glue sticks; scissors; 1 subject wide-ruled notebooks; colored pencils; colored markers; ink pens; bottled glue; hand sanitizer; wide ruled paper.** Please bring these 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.

**UPCOMING AREA YOUTH ACTIVITIES:**

- **September 11—Girls Purity Day**, West Huntsville Church of Christ, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., hosted by the WH GIFTS participants. Guest speaker: Cindy Colley. RSVP by August 20 to 256-837-8730. Moms and Mentors welcome.
- **September 17-19—RUSH**, Freed-Hardeman University, for Middle and High School Students. For more info: [www.fhu.edu/rush](http://www.fhu.edu/rush).
- **September 18—14th Annual Youth Rally**, Sylacauga Church of Christ, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Speakers: Aaron Pettus & Kevin Cline. Registration: 9:00 a.m. For more info: 256-249-0000.

**UPCOMING AREA ACTIVITIES:**

- **August 22—Preaching the Gospel**, with James Watkins, 6:00 a.m. Dish Network, channel 259; Direct TV, channel 364.
- **August 25—Wednesday Summer Series**, East Walker Church of Christ, 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker: Patrick Morrison.
- **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.
- **August 29—Special Day**, Whitson Place Church of Christ. Guest speaker: Bobby Liddell, Director, Memphis School of Preaching. Work of the School @ 9:30 a.m.; Worship @ 10:15; Fellowship Meal @ 11:30 a.m.; Afternoon worship @ 1:00 p.m.
- **September 3—Friday Night Singing**, Sandusky Church of Christ, 7:00 p.m. For more info: 205-798-2340.
- **September 5-8—Friends and Family Week**, Mt. Harmony Church of Christ. Sunday: Speaker: Ricky Berger: 9:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; Lunch; Singing @ 1:00 p.m.; Afternoon worship @ 2:00 p.m.; Monday: Wayne Portzer; Tuesday: James Harland; Wednesday: Webster Banks; nightly at 7:00 p.m.
- **September 8—Wednesday Morning Bible Class**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ, 10:00 a.m. Topic: “Reflections”, taught by Levi Sides, open to men & women.
- **September 9—Gus Nichols School of Biblical Studies**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ, 6:00-9:30 p.m. For more info: 205-384-6446.
- **September 11—Ladies' Day**, Westside Church of Christ, Tuscaloosa. Guest speaker: Loretta Noland. Registration: 8:00 a.m.; Program: 9:00 a.m.; Lunch will follow. For more info: 205-345-4674 or 562-9886.
- **September 12-15—Gospel Meeting**, Parrish Church of Christ. Guest speaker: Vance Hutton. Sunday: 9:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; Fellowship Meal; Singing @ 1:30 p.m.; Afternoon worship @ 2:00 p.m.; Monday-Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. For more info: 205-686-7996.
- **September 21—Video Bible Classes**, Mt. Harmony Church of Christ, 6:00 p.m. For more info: [noahsbears@netzero.net](mailto:noahsbears@netzero.net).
- **September 26-29—Gospel Meeting**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ. Guest speaker: B.J. Clarke. Sunday: 9:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 7:00 p.m. nightly.

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## **THOSE TO SERVE**

**Contact Elder ..... Bo Myers**

### **WORSHIP A.M.—AUGUST 22**

**Lead Singing .....Neil Evans**

**Opening Prayer ..... Phillip Horton**

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

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

**Closing Prayer .....Mark DeFoor**

### **WORSHIP P.M.—AUGUST 22**

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

**Opening Prayer .....Jack Kiser**

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

**Closing Prayer ..... Bryan Gill**

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING—AUGUST 25**

**Announcements ..... Levi Sides**

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

**Opening Prayer ..... TBA**

**Invitation .....Floyd Rodgers**

**Closing Prayer .....TBA**

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

## **VIDEO MANAGERS**

### **AUGUST, 2010**

Danny Hyde and Mike Tubbs

### **VAN DRIVERS**

### **AUGUST 22, 2010**

Levi Sides

### **AUGUST 29, 2010**

Gary Taft

### **GREETERS**

### **AUGUST 22, 2010**

Sylvia Corry; Kent Ellis  
Gilbert & Sandra Jean  
Bo & Alesia Myers

### **AUGUST 29, 2010**

Paul Dozier  
Danny & Donna Hyde  
Conard & Betty Smith

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

## **NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

### **AUGUST 22, 2010**

**WORSHIP A.M.**

Suzanne Jones  
Debbie Morris  
Diane Kosmus  
Betty Smith

**WORSHIP P.M.**

### **AUGUST 29, 2010**

**WORSHIP A.M.**

Jackie Gray  
Jean West  
Dena Crump  
LeAnn Williams

**WORSHIP P.M.**

(If unable to serve please call Sarah Roberts: 384-6446 or 522-3794)