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Schedule of Services

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CHURCH OF CHRIST COLUMBIA, TN

Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.

Bible Classes 10:15 a.m.

Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Ladies' Bible Class 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Teens Youth Center 6:30 p.m.

Working for the Master (Sunday nights as announced)

2013 Theme "But be doers of the word and not hearers only" James 1:22

Brian

# How I See It. By: Brían Gregory

The story was once told of a farmer who was just devastated over the fact that his barn's roof fell in. Someone asked the farmer, "what happened?" The farmer told the one asking the question that the roof had been leaking so long that the timbers just rotted through. Of course, one's initial thought is why did he let the roof get so bad before fixing it? Here was the farmer's response: "Well...it just seemed...when the weather was good, there weren't no need for it, and when it rained, it was too wet to work on it."

Isn't it interesting that relationships especially family are the same way? How many of those are on the brink of collapsing because efforts are not being made right now to strengthen the infrastructure, so that when the storms blow they can withstand the weight of the tribulation? Consider:

How many marriages will fall apart tomorrow because, while at the moment things are good, constant efforts are not being made to strengthen the resolve to love one another "until death do us part" (Eph. 5:19ff)?

How many children will leave home never to communicate with father and mother again because at this very moment parents are not getting involved in a child's life and not instilling discipline in their children to grow up to be faithful Christians (Eph. 6:1-4)?

While today may be a good day, and I hope that it is, don't forget that tomorrow a storm could come and it will all fall apart if efforts are not made everyday to strengthen those relationships. We need to do what we can to strengthen those relationships in life. Yours may be great but not everyone's is. We must do what we can to encourage others to spend quality time with their family. Do you want to have good, healthy relationships? Commit to the little things each day so that when the big issues arise, the roof doesn't collapse!

Some thoughts taken from Neil Richey

March 24, 2013 A.M. "To Be Announced" Brian Gregory, Speaker P.M. "A Great Multitude" (Revelation 7:9-12) Joe Macer, Speaker 11

### **KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** <u>SOUTH GATE MEMBERS</u>

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm.107
- Bernice Bratton
- Barry Brown
- > Joy Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- ▶ Bill Carroll 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Robert and Ruth Childress
- ➢ Mary Chumbley
- Darlene Church NHC Hillview 202-B
- John & Sarah Churchwell
- ➢ Athaleen Cox
- Vera Mae Daniels
- ➢ Ila Goodman
- Doris Inman NHC Hillview 217-B
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King Poplar Estates 215
- Nell Legg Morning Pointe 119
- ➢ Frances Petty
- ► Faye Pollard lung cancer
- Emma Jean Ragsdale
- ▶ Barney Roland NHC Hillview 101-B
- Betty Roland
- Albert & Ethel Spears
- Virginia Staggs Poplar Estates 101
- ➢ Elaine Whitehead
- Jim & Martha Wilson

### FRIENDS AND FAMILY

- Carson Vitrano 9 yr. old grandson of Price & Beth White, friends of Judy Barber, has A plastic anemia and will have a bone marrow transplant in the near future - 2043 Spicer Ln., Woodstock, GA 30189
- Imogene Tatum (aunt of Edith Burgess)
- Bobby Williams Morning Pointe, Rm. 214
- Beverly Dawson
- Karen Lockridge cancer
- Patricia Luther cancer
- Celia Owens-cancer
- Paul Kennedy brother of Cecelia Willis
- James Allen cancer, nephew of Faye Pollard, c/o Virginia Evans, 496 Candleberry Ave., Seal Beach, CA 90740
- Sharon Riley-eye cancer
- Ariana Rojas-2nd grader ( cancer)
- Jeff Denton-cancer
- Frances Brown-lung cancer
- Little Gabbi Cook-treatments
- Hazel Holder
- Susan Horton cancer
- Brandon Hubbard -Serviceman (Clayton & Myrna Jett's grandson)

If anyone needs to be taken off or added to our prayer list, please notify the office. MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**March 23 - Primetimers** trip to the Fabulous Fifties Show in Fayetteville, March 23rd. The bus leaves at 11:00 a.m.

# Happy Birthday

March 24 - Barry Cross, Shirley Riley March 26 - Sara Farris March 27 - Austin Gregory, Larry Nicholson March 28 - David Faught March 29 - Albert Spears March 30 - Beverly Dawson

### **ADDITIONAL SICK**

Doris McKennon - sister of Edna Hardison undergoing chemo Travis Jett - father-in-law of Cynthia Porter Jett Henry Harris - father of Jan Thomason Velma Davidson - aunt of Kay Beard Jennifer Fetters - cancer (friend of the Lasaters) Jenny Miller - breast cancer Jack & Daisy White Delinda Anthony, sister of Abigail Anthony Charles Geruntino - Chemo Treatments, Relative Larry Nicholson David Heffington - esophageal cancer Emily King - cystic fibrosis Andrea Spears - bone cancer Oscar & Jean Dillehay - NHC Columbia, Rm. 141 Lydia Powell, daughter of Vera Mae Daniels, chemo treatments Ashley Littleton's newborn twins Joyce Crowe, Debbie Massey's mother Wanda Nix, Debbie Massey's sister Karena Pierce – Chemo Treatments (Robin Weaver's Mother) Katherine Jones Life Care RM 217 (Alice Bolton's mother) Linda Gail Moore Chris Shrader

## THE RECORD SPEAKS March 17, 2013

Morning Worship	
Bible Study	
Evening Worship	173
Wednesday Evening	
Budget	\$8,000.00
Contribution	\$7,132.00



#### WORKING FOR THE MASTER

Next Meeting - March 24 Menu: Hamburgers, Barbeque, Hot Dogs Bring desserts if you would like. Cost - \$3.00

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# **One Verse At A Time**

By: Joe Macer

**Speaking the Truth in Love** 

Ephesians 4:15 "Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ."

Our sermons this month have had a theme of loving the lost. Scriptures have been taught concerning the need to present the gospel. People are dying every moment of every day and entering eternity. Their souls are precious to the Lord and they should be to us as well.

Ephesians 4:15 is a verse that we all should know and understand. The Ephesians were just warned that there were false teachers even in the early days of the church. He described them as cunning, crafty and deceitful. Some Christians followed some of these schemers. They followed the truth one day and the next they were siding with error. What were the faithful to do? Two answers are given and both must be a part of our teaching. First, they were to speak the truth. We must teach the truth and not deviate from it in the least. We must call sin, sin. We must teach what the Bible says about baptism. We must tell people how to be saved. We must explain the proper form of church government and on and on the concepts continue. We must speak the truth!

The second thing is just as important and sometimes has been overlooked. We must speak the truth in love. Is love our motivator? Do we pound people with the Bible in order to look superior? Are we seeking to win an argument or do we love a soul? In reading debates from years gone by, I have read where men stood on Biblical teachings but in doing so had a very mean and insulting spirit about them. To be right and at the same time have an ugly spirit will drive people away.

Each member of South Gate needs to talk to people about the Lord, the church and their soul but let's make sure we do it in a loving way.

### ADDRESS CHANGE

Jesse & Hayley Gilliam 1673 Witt Hill Dr. Spring Hill, TN 37174

Theme: What a Christian Does March Goal: A Christian Loves the Lost (James 5:19-20)



by Jody Pritchett



#### Donations toward the Scholarship Program can be made at any time. See Jody

Keep in Your Prayers: Jody Pritchett, Richard Farris, Sammie Anderson, Savannah Buchanon, Baylie Farris, Rhett Heflin, Alexis Hurley, Zac Savankham and Drew Thornton who will be leaving for The City of Children in Mexico on March 23.

April 12th - 14th - South Gate/Northview Retreat at Hillmont in White Bluff, TN. Cost is \$50. Applications can be downloaded.

Maury Christian Camp Applications are on the table in the foyer. First week of camp is June 2-7; Second week June 9-14.

Horizons Applications are in the Student Center. Horizons is July 7-12.

March 23 - Easter Egg Hunt (2nd grade and under) from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the church building. Food and drinks will be provided with the Easter Egg Hunt to follow.



THANK YOU Dear South Gate Friends, Thank you so much for all the concern shown to me during my recent surgery and recovery.

The cards, calls and visits were much appreciated, and I especially appreciate the prayers.

Thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for the goodie basket and to Linda Rochelle and Patsy Tyree for the food; also to Greg and his family for bringing the Lord's Supper. You are all very special to us and we love you.

Helen Lusk

Thanks so much for the love shown for Mathis during his surgery and recovery. Thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for the basket of snacks.

Tommy, Jadonna and Mathis

We are pleased to announce that Bryant and Suzanne Cheatham have placed

membership with our congregation. Their address is 3812 N. Old Port Royal Rd., Spring Hill, TN 37174. Phone # 931-626-2325.

### FISHERS OF MEN CLASS Each Tuesday, March 26 - June 4, 6:30 p.m. **Ron Maynard - Teacher** (for men, women and couples)

If you want to learn how to teach others how to become a Christian this is the class for you. See Randy Jones if you have questions.

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# WORSHIP LEADERS MARCH 24, 2013

#### SUNDAY 9:00 A.M

Welcome	Dennis Thomason
Song Leader	Kevin Mick
Prayer	Byran Farris
Lord's Supper: Presiding	
Serving:	
DeWayne Hickman	Sam Quirk
Jason Kelley	J.D. Davis
Blake Daniels	Danny Lasater
Jonathan Macer	Ronnie Skelley
Offering	
ReadRyan Massey	
Sermon:Brian Gregory	
Announcements/Closing PrayerDennis Thomason	

### **SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.**

Welcome/Song Leader	Jerry Wilson
Prayer	Barry Cross
Read (Revelation 7:9-12)	Bobby Daniels
Sermon: "A Great Multitude"	Joe Macer
Lord's Supper Presiding	Johnnie Johnson
Announcements/Closing Prayer	Gary Boyd



Ushers: John Massey, Dave Coleman, Tommy Skelley Greeters: Jason & Brecca Snyder, William & Brenda Warf Audio/Visual Room: Jim Pollard Security Team: A.M. Jason Kelley, Benny Bolton, P.M. Corey Massey, Greg Lusk

If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (446-0668) or Joe Williams (388-9183).

NURSERY CARE	WEDNESDAY March 27, 2013
A.MJan & Emily Thomason, Natalie Thomas	Song LeaderJohn Woodason
-	PrayerGary Boyd
P.MSara Farris, Elizabeth Hargrove	Announcements/SpeakerRichard Farris