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# Informer

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## *Schedule of Services*

### **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.  
(Sept. - May)

Bible Study  
6:30 p.m.

Teens Youth Center  
6:30 p.m.

Working for the Master  
(Sunday nights as announced)

**2014 Theme**  
**"GOD'S F.A.M.I.L.Y."**  
**Acts 2:37-47**

We are excited to announce that John Thomas will begin this month to be part of our preaching rotation. As many of you know, John is a Bible teacher at Columbia Academy and is part of their ministry team. We know that John will be a great addition to the outstanding job already being done from the pulpit by Brian Gregory and Joe Macer.

We are grateful to all three of these ministers for their spirit of cooperation and unity when it comes to sharing the pulpit and proclaiming the word of God. Each man is a dedicated servant of God and has been blessed with many talents. The Elders at South Gate are seeking to use the talent of each of these three men to strengthen the spiritual growth of our congregation.

Brian Gregory will continue in the role as our full time minister. As we all know, the duties of a minister go well beyond the pulpit. We as Elders, share along with Brian, excitement that he will be able to expand his ministry into other areas and use his talent to serve the Lord and the congregation at South Gate in the best possible way.

—The Elders

February 9, 2014

A.M. - "A Moving Faith" (James 3:14-26) John Thomas - Speaker

P.M. - Brian Gregory - Speaker

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:  
SOUTH GATE MEMBERS**

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 203
- Sue Ayers - NHC Hillview, Rm. 108
- Kay Beard - suffered a fall
- Ann Brady
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Mary Chumbley
- Darlene Church - NHC Hillview, Rm. 202-B
- O.G. Church - NHC Hillview, Rm. 120
- John & Sarah Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox - MRMC, Rm. 386, recovering from surgery
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 136A
- Alex Jones - recovering from surgery
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Nell Legg - NHC Hillview, Rm. 208-B
- Frances Petty
- Emma Jean Ragsdale
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview 101-B
- Albert Spears
- Ethel Spears - MRMC, Rm. 324
- Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates 101
- Elaine Whitehead - fell recently & broke some ribs
- Jim & Martha Wilson

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY:**

Ray Kuykendall, Lynn Pollard, Virginia Robinson - aunt of Jadonna Hight, Jennie Evans, sister of Karen Mann, Mark Shaw, Bobby Wales, Patricia Luffman, Jim Macer - brother of Joe, Imogene Purdom & Charles Fike, brother & sister of Helen Lusk, Dorothy Rea, sister of Elmer Lusk, Earline Hensley - sister of JoAnn Coleman - melanoma, Evelyn Felker, sister of Benny Bolton, Jimmy Johnson - cousin of Libby Moss - cancer, Stephen Altbell - cancer, Neal Brady - son of Ann, Carla Ragsdale, Clint Fitzgerald, father of Kim, Tony Harris, brother of Jan Thomason, Mary Paul Lasater, mother of Danny, Faye Fox, friend/Barbara McNeese, Gatlin Macer - home with feeding tube, Lorene Doggett, Karen Lockridge - cancer, Patricia Luther, Jennifer Fetters (friend of the Lasater's), Sharon Riley, Frances Brown - cancer-Doris McKennon - sister of Edna Hardison, Melissa Peterka, JoAnn Anderson, Paula Baker - sister of Kaye Beard, Travis Jett, Sherry Nicholson - sister-in-law of Larry Nicholson, Alice Lovett - aunt of Cheyenne McNeese, Kathy Kelley, aunt of Cheyenne McNeese, Ann Graham - Morning Point, Rm. 113, Jenny Miller - breast cancer, Beverly Dawson, Susan Horton - cancer, Jack & Daisy White, David Heffington - cancer, Andrea Spears - bone cancer, Carol Archer - Diane Upchurch's cousin, Susan Horton - cancer, Karina Pierce - mother of Robin Weaver, Wayne Lankford - friend of Brian Gregory, Brent Hendrickson, Paul Jackson - father of Rhonda Farris, Joan VanHooser - cancer, Billy Dan & Betty Morrow

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

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
SOUTH GATE EVENTS**



**Feb. 9, 3:30 to 5 p.m.: Baby Tea for  
Audrey Brown. It's a Girl!**

**Feb. 9 - Deadline to sign up for:  
Ladies Retreat, Marriott in Cool Springs  
March 7 & 8  
Theme: Family Matters  
Speaker: Sarah Hibbett  
Reservations must be turned in next week  
to reserve rooms as well as the lunch on  
Saturday.**

**Feb. 15, 5 - 7 p.m.: Primetimers Banquet**

***Happy Birthday***

- Feb. 9 - Barrow Brown, Edward Hargrove, Katherine Nicholson, Andrea Scott, Matthew Snyder, Hillary Williams
- Feb. 10 - Logan Gregory
- Feb. 11 - Clifford Johnson, Sr.
- Feb. 14 - Connie White, Brett Wilson
- Feb. 15 - Roberta Bolton, Terry Burgess



Our deepest sympathy is extended to Chloe and Will Patterson in the death of their great-grandmother, Dorcie Patterson, who lived in Arkansas.

Sympathy is also extended to Linda Mabry and her family in the death of her brother, Charles Collier, whose funeral was Monday.

Sympathy is extended to Elmer Lusk and his family in the death of his brother, M. L. Lusk, whose funeral was Friday in Austin Texas.

**THE RECORD SPEAKS  
February 2, 2014**

Morning Worship.....	235
Bible Study.....	174
Evening Worship.....	118
Wednesday Evening .....	142
Budget.....	\$8,000.00
Contribution.....	\$7,157.00



## One Verse At A Time

By: Joe Macer

### Use A Little Wine

I Timothy 5:23 “Stop drinking only water, and use a little wine because of your stomach and your frequent illnesses.”

As I ate breakfast one morning last week, a television news reporter was given a few dollars to go shopping for supplies for a Super Bowl party. What was the first stop for the shopper? It was the beer and whiskey aisle. This had to be the first purchase and then if any money was left over they would get chips. We live in an alcohol saturated society but it is not all that different from most of human history. All Christians would agree that drunkenness is a sin but what about an occasional drink now and then? This verse is used by individuals to allow people to drink a beer or glass of wine now and then. I believe the full impact of the verse is missed when used this way. Timothy was sick and he had stomach trouble but he was refusing to drink wine. Why? He was concerned about his Christian influence. Those he was trying to influence to leave the world behind would not be able to question him about his habits. Paul's response to him was that he could use alcohol for a medicinal purpose.

Often I am asked about times and places that do not have the quality of water that we have. People state that the water was unhealthy and forced the necessity of drinking wine. Was it possible to live without drinking wine? The answer is yes. In Jeremiah 35, the Rechabites had gone 200-250 years without drinking wine. Their forefather Jonadab had charged his descendants to not drink wine and they obeyed his command. It was possible to avoid the use of alcohol. Can a meal be enjoyed without alcohol? Can a football game be fun without alcohol? The answer is yes. As Christians, let's be mindful of our influence for godly principles.



### PANTRY NEEDS

Toilet Paper, Paper Towels  
Dishwashing Liquid, Laundry Detergent

## Youth News

by Jody Pritchett



**February 8, 5 p.m.:** Everyone is invited to the South Gate 2nd Annual Chili and Soup cook-off on February 8 at 5 p.m. This is an opportunity for you to have some great food, fellowship and vie for the title of “Best Chili and Soup at South Gate.” Chefs are asked to please have their chili and soup at the building by 4:50 p.m. The prize is “bragging rights” until the next cook-off. We will have hotdogs for those who do not like chili or soup.

**Feb. 9, 5 p.m.:** Highland Youth Area Wide  
**Feb 21 - 23:** CYC

We still have a couple of spots open

**March 1: Predators Game**

Sign up in Student Center

Limited tickets - cost \$30 each

**Donations to the Scholarship Program can be made at any time. See Jody for more information.**

Colored pencils and washable markers are needed for the mission trip to the City of Children on March 22. Please place items in the drop off box in the foyer by March 16th.

*Thank you to the Ladies at South Gate for the tea for baby Blakely. We were overwhelmed with your kindness. We appreciate more than we can ever express, the prayers, calls and concern over the past few months. Thank you again.*

*Blair & Lacey Keeling*

**Theme: GOD'S F.A.M.I.L.Y.**  
All Things In Common  
(Acts 2:37-47)

January - February

**Faith:**  
Converted to the family  
Lifetime commitment to your faith  
Why we believe  
Faith equals action

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**WORSHIP LEADERS FEBRUARY 9, 2014**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome.....Richard Farris  
Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson  
Prayer.....Charlie Willis  
Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Gary Boyd  
Serving:  
Kevin Mick Jason Kelley  
Mike Lyle John Allen Thomas  
Duane Allen Jim Anderson  
Jerry Barber Bobby Daniels  
Read (James 3:14-26).....Alex Jones  
Sermon: "A Moving Faith".....John Thomas  
Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

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

Welcome/Song Leader.....Sam Quirk  
Prayer.....Tom Miller  
Read.....John Massey  
Sermon: .....Brian Gregory  
Lord's Supper Presiding.....Barry Cross  
Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Dennis Thomason

Ushers: Tim Raines, Byran Farris, Benny Bolton  
Greeters: Blake, Jessica and Dana Daniels  
Audio/Visual: Chase Thomason

Security Team: A.M. Jerry Williams, Jesse Gilliam P.M. Jason Kelley, Benny Bolton

If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (446-0668) or Joe Williams (388-9183)  
Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.

**NURSERY CARE**

A.M.....Leigh Anna Pollard, Jan & Emily Thomason  
P.M.....Edith Burgess, Jackie Hargrove

**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2014**

Song Leader .....Greg Lusk  
Prayer.....Alex Jones  
Announcements/Speaker.....John Thomas