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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**

## *How I See It. By: Brian Gregory*

Money is always an interesting subject and thing. It has been said, "Money cannot buy you happiness." However, life is a lot easier when you have more of it. To some people it means very little and others it means a lot. It is something no one is very likely to ever turn down if it is given or they happen upon it. Money itself is morally neutral (i.e., neither good nor bad). However, what we do with money and our attitudes toward it can be good or bad. It is interesting while many wealthy people give a combined total of billions of dollars annually, those who usually give the most as a percentage of their income are those who are in the lowest income brackets. I have seen those who can give big and give more do the least because of their attitude toward money. A little known fact about the ministry of Jesus is that He said more about money/possessions/wealth, than any other subject. This subject is fresh on my mind because I opened a savings account for each of my children this week. Finally instead of the bank of mom and dad, they now have their own personal savings accounts. With this in mind I wanted to share a few thoughts about money.

First, I believe our relationship toward money starts early. I recall being given a quarter each Sunday by a man at church and how excited I was to have it. I was told to save it or encouraged to give it to God at church. On one occasion I backed out and sat on my hands. Later I showed my money to my grandmother and she immediately shamed me for not giving like I should have. Needless to say I never let her know if I failed to give again. Our children learn in the home how we view money. Are there constant fights about it and how to spend it? Do you talk to them about how to use money and help them make decisions? Do you make it known giving to help others is important? Do you misuse your money on spending sprees and needless debt or are you greedy and tight with it? Your kids and grandkids will pick up on these things.

Second, money is not everything. Yes, I know this is hard to accept and learn. Money has a lot of potential power for good and evil. Even if we are not doing evil things with it our attitudes toward money can consume us and cause us to lose sight of what is most important in life. Notice, money will not make you live longer, get you into Heaven, make up for time lost with your loved ones, erase the past or guarantee the future. Even though the world around us says more, more, more, just because you have money to spend doesn't mean you have to. Jesus said, take heed and beware of greediness, for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions (Lk. 12:15). In the end what matters most is not how rich we are in this world but how rich we are toward God

March 9, 2014

A.M. - "Respect Of Authority" (Romans 13:1-7) Joe Macer - Speaker

P.M. - "Uncommon Love" (Hosea 1:-3) Brian Gregory - Speaker

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

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 221
- Sue Ayers - NHC Hillview, Rm. 108
- Ann Brady
- Barry Brown
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Mary Chumbley
- Darlene Church - NHC Hillview, Rm. 202-B
- O.G. Church - home, recovering from surgery
- John & Sarah Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox - home
- Vera Daniels
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 136A
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Frances Petty
- Emma Jean Ragsdale
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview 101-B
- Albert Spears
- Ethel Spears - MRMC, Rm. 350
- Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates 101
- Elaine Whitehead
- Clifton Willis
- Jim & Martha Wilson

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY:**

Anne Waldrum - grandmother of Blair Keeling, Eddie Truber - friend of David Mann, Sara Williams - mother of Jeraldean Churchwell, Ray Kuykendall, Lynn Pollard, Bob Logan, Beth Chumbley, Virginia Robinson - aunt of Jadonna Hight, Jennie Evans, sister of Karen Mann, Mark Shaw, Bobby Wales, Patricia Luffman, 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, Carla Ragsdale, Clint Fitzgerald, father of Kim, Mary Paul Lasater, mother of Danny, Faye Fox, friend/Barbara McNeese, Little Gatlin Macer - home, 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, Carol Archer - home - Diane Upchurch's cousin, Susan Horton - cancer, Karina Pierce - mother of Robin Weaver, Wayne Lankford - friend of Brian Gregory, Brent Hendrickson - cancer, Paul Jackson - father of Rhonda Farris, Joan VanHooser - cancer, Billy Dan & Betty Morrow, Geraldine Wise - hip replacement - sister of Linda Luna

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**  
**SOUTH GATE EVENTS**



- March 7, 8:** Ladies Retreat
- March 23:** Working For The Master
- March 30:** 5th Sunday Building Fund Contribution  
 Potluck Luncheon Honoring New Members  
 12:45 Afternoon Worship  
 Conducted by Young Men
- April 11, 12:** Men's Advance

**AREA EVENT**

**Gospel Meeting - Antioch Church of Christ**  
 March 16-19, 7:00 p.m. Nightly  
 Speaker: Kenny McFarlen

***Happy Birthday***

March 10 - Tal Gray, Sonny Hargrove,  
 Alice Williams  
 March 13 - Danny Lasater

**THANK YOU NOTES**

I would like to tell everyone how much I appreciate all the cards, calls and prayers and food I received while I have been hurt. A special thanks to the Ladies Bible Class for the candy. Thanks to Patsy Tyree, Linda Mabry and Linda Weaver. These ladies were very good to me. In Christian Love, Kaye Beard

Thank you for the gifts, cards, visits, and the delicious plates I have received from the Ladies Bible Class.  
 In Christian Love, Ann Brady



***Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday. Don't forget to run your clocks up 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday night.***

**THE RECORD SPEAKS**  
**March 2, 2014**

Morning Worship.....	286
Bible Study.....	174
Evening Worship.....	131
Wednesday Evening .....	142
Budget.....	\$8,000.00
Contribution.....	\$7,262.00



## One Verse At A Time

By: Joe Macer

### Practice What You Preach

Matthew 23:3 "So you must obey them and do everything they tell you. But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach."

Jesus declared to the Jewish people that the teachers of the law and those that sat on Moses' seat were saying the right things and they should be obeyed. However when it came to their actions and what they were seen doing, it did not match their teachings. The leaders did not practice what they preached. Paul took up the same subject in Romans 2. He asked, "You preach against stealing, do you steal? You who say do not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples?" The point once again was to practice what you preach. James continues with the same thought when he said, "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

This verse was not so much as about preachers as about leaders. Preachers certainly must try to the best of their ability to practice what they preach. One reason we do preach is to improve ourselves. Political leaders should practice what they preach. Employers should practice what they ask of their employees. Mothers and fathers should practice what they preach. Elders, song leaders, Bible class teachers should all practice what they preach. What is the result when the practice does not follow the preaching? There can be a loss of respect for the teacher. There also can be a loss of respect for the message or the messenger. If the leader does not do it, then can it be all that important? We all have influence with far more people than we realize. Let's set the proper example. If we are going to preach, lead, give advice or give demands in a family then let's do what we say. Let's let people see a sermon as well as hear one.



**Pantry Items Needed**  
Canned meats, instant potatoes

## Youth News

by Jody Pritchett



### Attention tweens and parents of:

We will have the tween's monthly devotional at the home of Randy and Melissa Jones on Sunday night, March 23rd, after evening service. The van will leave the building immediately after service and return to the church building at approximately 8:15 p.m. If you have any questions please see Byran Farris.

### Attention Parents of 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade and under

We will be having an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19th 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. There is a sign-up sheet located on the table in the foyer. Please send one bag of candy (no nuts or hard candy) by Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. Place the bags of candy in the provided box in the foyer or give to Rachel Farris.

**Small gift items for house parents and children are needed for the mission trip to City of Children, March 22, as well as colored pencils and washable markers. A list of items needed is on the table in the foyer. Please place all items in the box in the foyer by March 16.**



*A contribution to the South Gate Building Fund has been received From John & Mauvoline Burns in memory of Nell Legg.*

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

**March - April**

**Accountability:**

**To God**

**To The Church**

**To One Another**

**To Our Authorities**

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**WORSHIP LEADERS MARCH 9, 2014****SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.**

Welcome.....Jerry Wilson  
 Song Leader.....Kevin Mick  
 Prayer.....Barry Cross  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Greg Lusk  
 Serving:  
     Randy Jones                      Jerry Williams  
     Cody Spires                     Benny Bolton  
     David White                     James Bolton  
     Terry Burgess                  Donnie Davis  
 Read (Romans 13:1-7).....Jesse Gilliam  
 Sermon: "Respect Of Authority".....Joe Macer  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jerry Wilson

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

Welcome/Song Leader.....Joe Macer  
 Prayer.....Blair Keeling  
 Read (Hosea 1:1-3).....Charlie Willis  
 Sermon: "Uncommon Love".....Brian Gregory  
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Tim Raines  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Alex Jones

Ushers: Johnnie Johnson, Charles Bassham, Dave Coleman

Greeters: Gary & Tonya Boyd, Barrow & Carla Brown

Audio/Visual: Chase Thomason

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)  
 Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.**

**NURSERY CARE**

A.M.....Jadonna Hight, Donna Hubbell  
 P.M.....JoAnn Johnson, Lisa Kelley

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 12, 2014**

Song Leader.....Joe Macer  
 Prayer.....Barry Cross  
 Announcements/Speaker.....Mike Lyle