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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Worship
9:00 a.m.

Bible Classes
10:15 a.m.

Evening Worship
5:00 p.m. - May 4

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

Over the past few years with the passage of the Affordable Care Act (a.k.a. Obama-care), healthcare and insurance coverage have been hot and important topics. When you think about insurance coverage it is such a necessity in life. We have (or at least should) home owners, renters, car, boat and life insurance. Without proper coverage people have found themselves in desperate situations that have led to financial and even physical ruin. I think we all can agree it is so important to have insurance. Although it is smart to be insured, have you ever thought about the fact the things we insure are only temporary at best? What about insuring something that will last for eternity (i.e., our souls)? This led me to consider, since God is the only one who can and does truly offer something that lasts, what if He were an insurance salesman? What kind of plan would He offer? I think it would look something like this.

- God takes preexisting conditions (Jer. 8, Isa. 6). Regardless of past illness or injury no one is turned down for coverage.
- No referral is necessary. He can be seen at any time and always eagerly awaiting our visits and even available nights and weekends. In addition there is no extra cost for emergency visits (Phi. 4:6-8; 1 Pt. 5:6-7).
- He takes new patients. No waiting period necessary. His caseload/ patient load is never too full. He can accommodate everyone (Jn. 3:16).
- No deductible to be met. No max out of pocket to be required before plan will pick up cost. All cost and deductible have been met by Christ's death (1 Jn. 2:2).
- No physical or paperwork required to qualify. It is offered freely and equally to all (Rm. 6:23, Eph 2:8-10).
- Premium is high but reasonable. Must deny yourself and take up cross daily (Mk.8:34-38).
- Death benefit included, but payable only upon faithfully meeting conditions set forth (Rev 2:10, 21).

What a plan! Why would you delay or deny yourself this coverage? Are you insured?

Brian

May 4, 2014

A.M. - "Unless They Are Sent" (Romans 10:14-18) Joe Macer - Speaker
5:00 P.M. AREA WIDE - "Forgiveness" - Stan Butt, Jr. - Speaker

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

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 221
- Kaye Beard
- Roberta Bolton
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Mary Chumbley
- Darlene Church - NHC Hillview, Rm. 202-B
- John & Sarah Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox - home
- Vera Daniels
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 123-B
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Frances Petty - Sterling House, Rm. 403
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview , Rm. 101-B
- Albert Spears
- Ethel Spears - NHC Columbia, Rm. 137-A
- Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates 101
- Elaine Whitehead
- Jim & Martha Wilson

FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody, Willie Farless - brother-in-law/ Reba Jones, Teresa Warf Walkup - cancer, Robert Baker - brother/ Lorene Hickman, Cathy Garner, friend of Sharon Davis, Todd & Hiliary Rector & unborn child, Tommy Hayes, Eddie Jellenc - friend/Smiths - improved, Adrian Johnson - friend/Nicholson's, Billy Ledford - nephew/Lorene Hickman, NHC Hillview, Rm. 100, Eddie Truber - friend/David Mann, Shirley Woods - mother/Diane Upchurch, Bob Logan, Beth Chumbley, Virginia Robinson - aunt/ Jadonna Hight, Jennie Evans, sister/Karen Mann, Mark Shaw, Bobby Wales, Patricia Luffman, Imogene Purdom & Charles Fike, brother & sister/ Helen Lusk, Dorothy Rea, sister/Elmer Lusk, Earline Hensley - sister/JoAnn Coleman - melanoma, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Jimmy Johnson - cousin/Libby Moss - cancer, Carla Ragsdale, Little Gatlin Macer, Dara Macer, Lorene Doggett, Karen Lockridge - cancer, Patricia Luther, Jennifer Fetters (friend/Lasater's), Sharon Riley, Frances Brown - cancer, Doris McKennon - sister/Edna Hardison, Melissa Peterka, JoAnn Anderson, Paula Baker - sister/Kaye Beard, Travis Jett, Sherry Nicholson - sister-in-law/Larry Nicholson, Alice Lovett - aunt/Cheyenne McNeese, Ann Graham - Morning Point, Rm. 113, Jenny Miller - breast cancer, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, David Hefington - cancer, Karina Pierce - mother/ Robin Weaver, Brent Hendrickson - cancer, Paul Jackson - father/Rhonda Farris, Joan VanHooser - cancer, Billy Dan & Betty Morrow, Faye Kelley- Jason Kelley's aunt

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

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
SOUTH GATE EVENTS**



May 4, 3:00-4:30: Bridal Tea for Hillary William, bride elect of Charles Caldwell. Registered at Ye Peddler, Bed, Bath and Beyond and Target

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- May 1 - Sarah James
- May 2 - Ansley Renier
- May 4 - Cecelia Willis
- May 5 - Minnie Morrow
- May 6 - Elmer Lusk
- May 7 - Vera Mae Daniels
- May 8 - Emree Brown
- May 9 - Barret Gilliam, Amanda Gregory, Dustin Hargrove, Ella Hargrove, Steven Nixon
- May 10 - Jennifer Davis, Ely Spires

**SOUTH GATE HOMECOMING
61ST ANNIVERSARY
MAY 18 - WORSHIP 9 A.M.**

**Potluck Luncheon Following Bible Class
Afternoon Worship 12:30**

**Stephen Lusk - Speaker
Greg Lusk - Song Leader
Honor Elmer Lusk and Family**

**May 16, 6 p.m. Fish Fry at Shelter
(Sign up or call office if you plan to attend fish fry)**

**HOLD THESE DATES OPEN
INVITE FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

**WORKING FOR THE MASTER
Meets Again June 1 - Menu: Pizza**

**THE RECORD SPEAKS
April 27, 2014**

Morning Worship.....	309
Bible Study.....	194
Evening Worship.....	144
Wednesday Evening	159
Budget.....	\$8,000.00
Contribution.....	\$7,082.00



**Singing at Bethel Church of Christ
Friday, May 2, 7 p.m.**



One Verse At A Time

By: Joe Macer

The Consequences of Sin

Jeremiah 16:1-2 Then the word of the Lord came to me: "You must not marry and have sons or daughters in this place."

Jeremiah was a man chosen to be a prophet for God. He spoke of the sins of Israel and Judah. Known as the weeping prophet, he had various situations that brought sadness into his life. Our verse today certainly added to that sadness. God demands that Jeremiah not have a wife or children. This was indeed painful to Jeremiah but as always there are excellent reasons for what God requires of us. If Jeremiah would have married and had children, he would have suffered even greater pain. Life without a spouse or children is hard to imagine. Seeing your children grow up and provide you with grandchildren is joy beyond expression. Parents and grandparents deeply involved with the little ones share in whatever pain that comes into their life. Knowing what was to come, God's command is saving Jeremiah from a world of hurt.

What was to come? God knew that the consequences for his people's departure from him would be severe. Israelites would see disease and death. How tragic to see little ones die. How painful when you are the parent. They would die from disease, famine and sword. How Jeremiah's heart would break to see his children die from a lack of food. How senseless would be the death of his children by invaders. It would be beyond understanding. Jeremiah was told to have no children due to these circumstances. Dear reader, I know that you love your children and grandchildren; I know you want the best for our nation. Then what should we do? The Old Testament clearly shows that a nation whose people serve God and teach their children to serve God spare themselves of many heartaches. On the other hand, people who forget God, sooner or later, will find the consequences of sin destroy their nation and sadly the children will suffer as well. The choice is ours. With your children and grandchildren in mind, what will you choose?



THANK YOU *Thank you so much for the money. I was so surprised when I opened it. It made my day! I'm so blessed to be a part of this congregation.*

Love, Allie Lusk

Youth News

by Jody Pritchett



Horizons Applications are available in the Student Center.

ATTENTION GRADUATES!

If you are graduating from high school or college this spring, please complete one of the Graduate Forms located in the foyer and return it to Jody by May 4. Graduates will be honored on May 11th.



May 4, 5 p.m.: South Gate Youth Area Wide

Speaker: Stan Butt, Jr. Theme: "Forgiven"
Skating After Service - \$5 each

May 10, 9 a.m.: South Gate Girls Day

Guest Speaker: Sheila Butt - Theme: Princesses of Christ
 There will also be classes for adult ladies. If you can be here and would like to help see Natalie. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer if you would like to help with food.

HELP WITH VBS - JUNE 15-18

If you would like to participate in our VBS, please come to a short meeting Sunday, May 4, following Bible Class.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the following families: the family of **Emma Jean Ragsdale**, who passed away Monday, April 28; the family of **Linda Lasater** whose mother, **Sue Ayers'** funeral was Sunday; and the family of **Cheyenne McNeese** in the death of his aunt, **Kathy Kelley**, whose funeral was Monday.



Tommy and Jadonna Hight have made a donation to the South Gate Building Fund in loving memory of Sue Ayers.

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

May - June

Mission:

Sowing the Seed

Taking Care of the Needy

Supporting South Gate Missions

Bible Knowledge

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WORSHIP LEADERS MAY 4, 2014

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M

Welcome.....Dennis Thomason
 Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson
 Prayer.....Benny Bolton
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Jody Pritchett
 Serving:
 Kevin Mick Sonny Hargrove
 Steven Nixon Jason Kelley
 David Gray John Allen Thomas
 Gary Boyd Barry Cross
 Read (Romans 10:14-18).....Duane Allen
 Sermon: "Unless They Are Sent".....Joe Macer
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Dennis Thomason

SUNDAY 5:00 P.M.

YOUTH AREA WIDE

Welcome.....Jody Pritchett
 Sermon: "Forgiveness"..... Stan Butt, Jr.
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Jim Pollard
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Jody Pritchett

Ushers: Mike Lyle, Bobby Daniels, J.W. Gilliam
 Greeters: Charles & Doris Bassham, Dave & JoAnn Coleman
 Audio/Visual: Alex Jones
 Security Team: A.M. Greg Lusk, Corey Massey 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.....Laura Spires, Kim Morgan
 P.M.....Rhonda & Baylie Farris

WEDNESDAY MAY 7, 2014

Song LeaderGreg Lusk
 Prayer.....Richard Farris
 Announcements/Speaker.....Jim Pollard