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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  
Sept. - May  
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"**

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

When I was 18, I had a steady part-time job. For the past few years I had been driving around in an old Chevy Camaro Z-28. In 1983 this was a really nice car, but by the time I got it, it was far past its prime. The T-tops leaked, so every time it rained I had my own personal puddle in the privacy of the drivers seat. Soon I put duck tape on the roof and took care of the leaks. The radio did not work and the air-conditioner was long gone also. The paint had faded and the interior was basically rotten. The engine needed some work and lets not forget the fact it loved gas. Fortunately at that time gas was about \$1.00 a gallon. Needless to say this thing repelled any and every girl within a 5 mile radius.

After several months of working and proving myself to my dad, the car that was bought as a means of transportation, was finally going to be replaced. Soon I found a very nice used truck. This truck was in great shape, had nice shinny paint, no leaks, low mileage and was easy on gas. There was only one problem, I had no credit. My dad of course co-signed for me and thus my personal credit history began.

Credit scores are important. Your credit score will determine what you can purchase (a house, car, boat, computer, etc. . .) and what kind of interest rate you will have to pay. It is unfortunate when you ruin your credit (no matter what the circumstances are) it can take years to fix.

In a commercial a few years ago for "Free Credit Report.com" a guy is singing about how his credit was bad and he did not even know. But if he had gone to "Free Credit Report.com" his circumstances would have been much different. Is it not wonderful to think God does not require a credit report to determine your salvation? If God were to check your "spiritual credit" would He not find that we all have fallen far short of what He expects and desires because of sin (Rm.3:23)? All would fail to even qualify for salvation. What man could not and can not do because of sin, God did sending His own Son to pay the debt of sin owed by every man (Heb. 2:9; Jn. 3:16). Because of the death of Christ, God is able to freely offer salvation to all who will accept it. The price has already been paid, it is up to you to take it or leave it (Rev 22:17). Despite the darkness of your past and the problems you have encountered, there is no sin too big for God to forgive. Simply put, God can and will fix/repair bad "spiritual credit" (Isa 1:18-20). No matter how high the debt of your sin is, God has already paid the price for it. It is up to you to accept it and allow it to be credited to your account. The only condition to qualify is the willingness to lovingly and humbly obey Him (Rom 6:23).

Brian

August 11, 2013

A.M. "Going To Church Or Being The Church" (I Timothy 3:14-15) Brian Gregory Speaker

P.M. "Help My Unbelief" (Mark 9:20-24) - Brian Gregory, Speaker

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

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 203
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress
- Mary Chumbley
- Darlene Church - NHC Hillview 202-B
- John & Sarah Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 136A
- Doris Inman - NHC Hillview 217-B
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Nell Legg - Morning Pointe, Rm. 119
- Frances Petty
- Jimmy Quirk - cancer
- Emma Jean Ragsdale
- Tim Raines
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview 101-B
- Luke Snyder
- Albert & Ethel Spears
- Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates 101
- Elaine Whitehead
- Jim & Martha Wilson

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

- Andy Anderson, brother of Kay Beard
- Henry Harris, father of Jan Thomason
- Lorene Doggett
- Karen Lockridge - cancer
- Patricia Luther - cancer
- Jennifer Fetters - cancer (friend of the Lasater's)
- Paul Kennedy - brother of Cecelia Willis
- Sharon Riley-eye cancer
- Ariana Rojas-2nd grader ( cancer)
- Jeff Denton-cancer
- Frances Brown-lung cancer, 134 N. Laurel Circle
- Little Gabbi Cook-treatments
- Hazel Holder
- Carol Archer - Diane Upchurch's cousin
- Susan Horton - cancer
- Doris McKennon - sister of Edna Hardison
- Travis Jett
- Georgia Cook - NHC Columbia, Rm. 133

**Theme: What a Christian Does**  
**August Goal: A Christian Is Humble.**  
**(James 4:10)**

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



**Aug. 18: Baby Tea for Jessica Daniels.**  
**It's A Boy!**  
Registered at Target and Babies R Us

**ADDITIONAL SICK**

- Tony Harris, brother of Jan Thomason - broken leg
- Joe Massey, nephew of June Wood
- Alice Lovett, aunt of Cheyenne McNeese
- Kathy Kelley, aunt of Cheyenne McNeese
- Jimmy Gilliam, brother of J.W.
- Paula Baker, sister of Kay Beard
- Ann Graham - Life Care, Rm. 242
- Jenny Miller - breast cancer
- Beverly Dawson
- Jack & Daisy White
- Delinda Anthony - sister of Abigail Anthony
- David Heffington - esophageal cancer
- Andrea Spears - bone cancer
- Wanda Nix - Debbie Massey's sister
- Karen Pierce - mother of Robin Weaver
- Katherine Jones, mom/Alice Bolton - Life Care, Rm. 130B
- Richard Engel - Edra Clymore's son-in-law



Brandon Hubbard -Serviceman  
(Clayton & Myrna Jett's grandson)

**ADDRESS CORRECTION**

Fred & Joy Brown - 2019 Westwood Dr.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- August 11 - Kristy Wilson
- August 14 - Morgan Belew
- August 15 - Marisa Massey, Jody Pritchett
- August 16 - Dana Daniels
- August 17 - O.G. Church

**THE RECORD SPEAKS**  
**August 4, 2013**

Morning Worship.....	257
Bible Study.....	179
Evening Worship.....	157
Wednesday Evening .....	120
Budget.....	\$8,000.00
Contribution.....	\$7,792.00



## One Verse At A Time

By: Joe Macer

### Put Your House In Order

Isaiah 38:10 I said, "In the prime of my life must I go through the gates of death and be robbed of the rest of my years?"

Hezekiah was the king of Judah. The nation had been threatened by the Assyrian Empire but God had miraculously delivered them from this threat. Hezekiah must have been in good spirits and thrilled that God was with him. Time continued to pass and it was as if he was on the top of the world. Hezekiah awoke one day very ill. Isaiah the prophet arrived to tell him to "Put your house in order, because you are going to die; you will not recover." This was greatly disturbing to Hezekiah. He pleaded for his life and reminded God of his faithful service to him. God heard his prayer and saw his tears. Isaiah was sent with the message that God had given him fifteen more years of life. The verse above is the first of many that express Hezekiah's thoughts during this time. Hezekiah felt robbed when he heard his life was about to be cut short.

Are we ever ready for death? What is the prime of life? We think of a teenager, one in the twenties or the thirties as in their prime. As one in the fifties, much is still expected in life. Life is uncertain and death can come in the early or later years. Never forget that God only let his Son live until his early thirties. The key to life is to be prepared to meet the Lord no matter what our age. Hezekiah promised to praise God and to teach his children about God if he would only give him more years. His prayer was answered favorably and our prayers may well be answered this way also. However if we do not recover from the illness, will we be able to say we have served him wholeheartedly? The truth is that Hezekiah was not robbed of years but was given a day of life. Let's appreciate each day of life and hopefully it will turn into years. May these days and years bring us ever closer to God. If your house is not in order may the situation be remedied today.

### WORKING FOR THE MASTER

Working For the Master met Sunday evening after worship with 61 in attendance, 92 cards written and 15 bags of cookies prepared for the sick. The next meeting will be September 15. The menu will be Spaghetti and salad.

## Youth News

by Jody Pritchett



**September 7: Bible Bowl**

**Study Schedule: Week of Aug. 11 - 1 Cor. 15-16**

**Aug. 18: Sunday Night Teen Dinner at Legends after p.m. service**

**Summer Reading Program 6th grade and under**

**Aug. 18:** Last day to turn in reading logs for summer reading program. See bulletin board in education hall for more information. Books available for checkout in Classroom C9.

**Aug. 25:** Luncheon - Summer Reading Program participants

**The Resource Room is in need of the following items.** If you would like to contribute, we will be collecting the supplies until Sunday, Aug. 25. Please place items in the container in the lobby. **Wish List:** 24 count crayons, 8 count fat crayons, glue sticks, tape, pens, children's scissors, washable markers, skittles and page protectors.

### AREA EVENT

**Graymere Church of Christ** invites you to the upcoming fall session of the Columbia School of Biblical Studies which begins Thursday night, August 1 and continues through October 24. The class will meet each Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m. and classes will be held in the lodge. Dan Cottrell will teach the book of Philippians and David Morris will teach Matthew. The school is open to any men, women or teens interested in studying God's word, not just preachers or teachers. A brochure is posted on the bulletin board behind the auditorium.



Thank you all for the calls, cards, food, flowers, prayers and comforting words during the passing of my father. I appreciate your thoughtfulness during this difficult time. Suzanne Cheatham

Jimmy and I want to express our thanks and appreciation for all the ways you have and are remembering us—birthday and get-well cards, calls, prayers and visits during my stay in the hospital. We very much appreciated the thinking of you basket that Lorene Hickman brought from the Ladies Bible Class. May God's blessings be with you always. In Christian Love, Beverly and Jimmy Dawson

### PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Toilet Paper and Paper Towels

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**WORSHIP LEADERS AUGUST 11, 2013**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.**

Welcome.....Richard Farris  
 Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson  
 Prayer.....Tom Miller  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Donnie Davis  
 Serving:  
 Barry Cross                      Bobby Daniels  
 DeWayne Hickman              Jesse Gilliam  
 Johnny Smith                      J.W. Gilliam  
 Sonny Hargrove                      Larry Nicholson

Offering  
 Read (I Timothy 3:14-15).....Sam Quirk  
 Sermon: "Going To Church or Being The Church"  
 Speaker.....Brian Gregory  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

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

Welcome/Song Leader.....Joe Macer  
 Prayer.....Boyd Wood  
 Read (Mark 9:20-24).....Gary Boyd  
 Sermon: "Help My Unbelief".....Brian Gregory  
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Ed Hargrove  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Alex Jones

Ushers: Tommy Skelley, Chase Thomason, Jim Anderson  
 Greeters: Jason & Brecca Snyder, Linda Porter, Tim Raines  
 Audio/Visual Room: Jonathan Macer

Security Team: A.M. Jerry Williams, Jesse Gilliam 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**

A.M.....Paula Gilliam, Rachel Farris  
 P.M.....Cindy Hargrove, Cindy Hickman

**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 14, 2013**

Song Leader .....Dennis Thomason  
 Prayer.....Brian Gregory  
 Announcements/Speaker.....Joe Macer