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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)

2013 Theme
*"But be doers of
the word and not
hearers only"*

How I See It. By Brian Gregory

The following was recently shared on a blog I read with the theme of the month being, "I'm Thankful For. . ."

As I approach another season of thanksgiving (but shouldn't we as Christians be thankful all year 'round?), and as one who has already entered the "red zone" of earthly life, I am immensely thankful for the blessed assurance that I have of everlasting life with my Lord in heaven! No explanation should be necessary as to why this is at the top of my list of things for which to be thankful. I have been living (imperfectly though my efforts have been) for it since my early teens. As I have advanced through life's years, it has become more precious to me. I am deeply thankful for its glorious prospect. Eternal life comes from knowing God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ (Jn 17:4). It is the gift of God (Rom. 6:23). It is to be found only in Christ Jesus (Jn. 14:6) where one becomes a new creature (2 Cor. 5:17), is able to walk in newness of life (Rm. 6:3-4), is without condemnation (Rm. 8:1), and has eternal life (1 Jn. 5:11-12).

Heaven is a place Christ has gone to prepare for His faithful followers (Jn.14:1-3). Those who enter that place must make preparation to do so. No one coasts into heaven. One must do the will of the Father (Mt. 7:21). One must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Christ in all things (Mt. 16:24). Those who have the right to the tree of life and who are granted the privilege of entering in through the gates into the heavenly city are "those who do His (God's) commandments" (Rev. 22:14). When the great apostle Paul recognized that the time of his departure (death) was at hand, he was comforted by the assurance that there was "laid up for him the crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, [would] give to [him] in that Day; and not to [him] only, but also to all who have loved His appearing" (2 Tim. 4:8). During this Thanksgiving season, I am thankful for that same blessed assurance and earnest expectation of everlasting life in heaven.

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

By: Hugh Fulford

November 24, 2013

A.M. "Hosanna" (Matthew 21:12-17) Joe Macer, Speaker

P.M. "Volunteering for Duty" (Mark 10:45) Jody Pritchett, Speaker

MARK YOUR CALENDARS SOUTH GATE EVENTS



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: SOUTH GATE MEMBERS

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 203
- Ann Brady
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Rebecca Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Mary Chumbley
- Darlene Church - NHC Hillview 202-B
- John & Sarah Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- Clyde Farris
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 136A
- Tim Hardison - recovering f/surgery - MRMC
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Nell Legg - Poplar Estates, Rm. 107
- Frances Petty
- Ned Pollard - surgery 11/21 - Skyline Medical Ctr.
- Emma Jean Ragsdale
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview 101-B
- Albert & Ethel Spears
- Cody Spires - eye injury - recovering f/surgery
- Virginia Staggs - Poplar Estates 101
- Elaine Whitehead
- Jim & Martha Wilson

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Jimmy Johnson - cousin o/fLibby Moss - cancer, Clint Fitzgerald, father of Kim - home, Tony Harris, brother of Jan Thomason - Vanderbilt, Mary Paul Lasater, mother of Danny, Dora Bolton, mother of James, recovering f/shoulder surgery, 201 3rd Ave., Mt. Pleasant, TN 38474, Faye Fox, friend/Barbara McNeese, Zeb & Dara Macer & unborn child, Richard Bell - home, Lorene Doggett, Karen Lockridge - cancer, Patricia Luther - cancer, Jennifer Fetters - cancer (friend of the Lasater's), Sharon Riley-eye cancer, Jeff Denton-cancer, Frances Brown-lung cancer, Doris McKennon - sister of Edna Hardison, Melissa Peterka, JoAnn Anderson, Paula Baker - sister of Kaye Beard, Travis Jett, William Parsley-brother of Nell Hood, Delinda Anthony - sister of Abigail, 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 - esophageal cancer, Andrea Spears - bone cancer, Carol Archer - Diane Upchurch's cousin, Susan Horton - cancer, Karina Pierce, - mother of Robin Weaver, Katherine Jones, mother of Alice Bolton, Wayne Lankford - friend of Brian Gregory, Brent Hendrickson, Paul Jackson-father of Rhonda Farris, Stormy Lyle - mother of Mike Lyle, Joan VanHooser - cancer

Dec. 1: Annual Elders, Deacons, Preachers, Treasurers Meeting

Dec. 4-7: Second Annual Foundation of Faith Reading thru the Bible

Different classes and groups will be assigned times to read the Bible. Sign-up sheets to participate are in the foyer.

Dec. 14, 5-7: Primetimers Christmas Dinner Fellowship Hall

Dec. 29: 5th Sunday and New Comers' Luncheon

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- November 25 - Daniel Scott
- November 26 - Baylie Farris, Austin Gilmer, Jimmy Quirk, Ronnie Skelley
- November 27 - Clayton Jett, Nita Lentz
- November 28 - E.J. Hill
- November 29 - Gary Moss
- November 30 - Corrine Goetz, Jennifer McNeese

DIRECTORY UPDATES

We are in the process of updating the directory to include pictures of our shut-ins. Please bear with us.

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY

November 18 marked our one year anniversary here at South Gate. The Lord has truly blessed us as a congregation during 2013!

THE RECORD SPEAKS

November 17, 2013

Morning Worship.....	268
Bible Study.....	200
Evening Worship.....	152
Wednesday Evening	155
Budget.....	\$8,000.00
Contribution.....	\$6,321.00

Theme: What a Christian Does
November Goal:
A Christian Is Thankful
(James 1:17)



One Verse At A Time

By: Joe Macer

Ridicule

Luke 23:11 Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate.

This is the fifth and final in a series of how people reacted to Jesus during his arrest, trial and conviction leading up to his crucifixion. Judas betrayed him, Peter denied him, guards mocked and beat him, the assembly of elders, chief priests and teachers of the law made false accusations against him and finally Herod and his soldiers ridiculed Jesus. The dictionary defines ridicule as words or actions intended to evoke contemptuous laughter at or feelings toward a person or thing. Herod treated Jesus as a joke. He was attempting to belittle and put down Jesus. Herod saw himself as powerful and in control. He was amazed by this Jewish man that was creating such a disturbance among the Jews. He considered him as nothing. Pilate and Herod had been enemies before this day. Both of them had no use for Jesus and this common contempt resulted in their friendship this day. What a sad thing it is to read of these men treating Jesus in this way.

Today many who are in powerful leadership positions ridicule Jesus and his followers. Nations around the world encourage the destruction of Christianity by the influence of governmental leaders. Jesus had a humble beginning. His family was poor and even during his ministry he owned nearly nothing. On the day he was crucified, his only possession was the clothes he was wearing. He didn't have any of the riches of Herod nor the pomp associated with a king but he was a king. He was and is the King of kings and the Lord of lords. How terrible to ridicule the Son of God. May we never think of him in a condescending manner nor treat him as a joke. He is Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and the Prince of Peace. Let's strive to in every way give him his due respect.



Canned Meats:
Chicken, Tuna, Spam

Youth News

by Jody Pritchett



This year the teens will be assisting area families in providing a Thanksgiving meal. It is our goal to deliver 5 Thanksgiving Food Baskets. If you would like to donate money please see Jody. Thank you all so very much for your support.

ATTENTION 2ND GRADE & UNDER Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, Dec. 7: 8:30 - 11:30 Fellowship Hall

Sign-up sheets are located in the foyer for those who plan to attend as well as for those who want to bring food. See Byran or Rachel Farris for any questions or details.

ATTENTION TWEENS AND PARENTS OF Tween's Christmas Party

Saturday, Dec. 7: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 Fellowship Hall

A sign-up sheet is in the foyer for those who plan to attend. Food and drinks will be provided

***THERE WILL BE NO TWEEN'S DEVOTIONAL
DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.***

ADDRESS CORRECTION

Steven and Lori Nixon
3000 General Forest Dr. (931) 490-7914
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Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Doris Inman, whose funeral was Sunday. Mrs. Inman was a long-time member of our congregation.

Sympathy is also extended to Larry Nicholson and his family in the death of his uncle Tommy Nicholson whose funeral was Tuesday.

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WORSHIP LEADERS NOVEMBER 24, 2013**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.**

Welcome.....Greg Lusk
 Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson
 Prayer.....Blair Keeling
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Barry Cross
 Serving:

Charlie Willis	Boyd Wood
Donnie Davis	Randy Jones
Jason Kelley	Sam Quirk
John Allen Thomas	Byran Farris

Offering
 Read (Matthew 21:12-17).....Tommy Hight
 Sermon: "Hosanna".....Joe Macer
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Greg Lusk

Ushers: Jerry Williams, Ed Hargrove, DeWayne Hickman
 Greeters: Tom & Brenda Miller, Savannah & Kim Buchanan
 Audio/Visual: Jim Pollard

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).

NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Cindy Hargrove, Cindy Hickman
 P.M.....Jadonna Hight, Donna Hubbell

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Kevin Mick
 Prayer.....Greg Lusk
 Read (Mark 10:45).....Johnny Smith
 Sermon: "Volunteering For Duty".....Jody Pritchett
 Lord's Supper Presiding.....Tom Miller
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Alex Jones

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2013

Song Leader.....Jerry Wilson
 Prayer.....Joe Macer
 Announcements/Speaker.....Richard Farris