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SUNDAY SERVICES

7:30am Radio Program
 WHLJ 97.5 FM
9:45am Bible School
11:00am Worship
4:00pm Worship

WEDNESDAY

7:00pm Bible Study

THURSDAY

7:00pm Ladies Bible Class
 2nd & 4th weeks

SERVICES OFFERED:

- In-Home Bible Studies
- Private Open Bible Studies at the church building
- Bible Correspondence Course
- Transportation to and from the services.
Call 734-262-0603
- Counseling (marital and personal)

THE HERALD

2021 Theme: "Kingdom Occupied."

The Bell

I KNOW WHO I AM

I am God's child (John 1:12)

I am Christ's friend (John 15:15)

I am united with the Lord (1 Cor. 6:17)

I am bought with a price (1 Cor. 6:19-20)

I am a saint (set apart for God). (Eph. 1:1)

I am a personal witness of Christ (Acts 1:8)

I am the salt & light of the earth (Matt. 5:13-14)

I am a member of the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27)

I am free forever from condemnation (Rom.8: 1-2)

I am a citizen of Heaven. I am significant (Phil .3:20)

I am free from any charge against me (Rom. 8:31-34)

I am a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Cor.5:17-21)

I have access to God through the Holy Spirit (Eph 2:18)

I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Eph. 2:6)

I cannot be separated from the love of God (Rom.8:35-39)

I am established, anointed, sealed by God (2 Cor.1:21-22)

I am assured all things work together for good (Rom. 8: 28)

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16)

I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph. 3: 12)

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13)

I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15: 1-5)

I am God's temple (1 Cor. 3: 16). I am complete in Christ (Col. 2: 10)

I am hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:3). I have been justified (Romans 5:1)

I am God's co-worker (1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor 6:1). I am God's workmanship (Eph. 2:10)

I am confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected (Phil. 1: 5)

I have been redeemed and forgiven (Col. 1:14). I have been adopted as God's child

(Eph 1:5)

I belong to God

Do you know

who you are!?

Keep this bell ringing...

Working for God on earth may not pay much,

but His Retirement Plan is out of this world!!

Have a Safe and Enjoyable Holiday Season!



MEMBERS IN NURSING HOMES

S/Dorothy **Hamilton**, Lake Haven, Valdosta. BLG #5
 B/Calvin **Strickland**, Forest Park GA. BLG #1
 S/Betty **Yearby**, Holly Hill, Valdosta. BLG #1

SICK OR ELDERLY MEMBERS AT HOME

S/Louise **Battle**. BLG #1
 B/Samuel **Battle Jr.** BLG #1
 S/Lucinda **Brown**. BLG #4
 S/Marjorie **Bythwood**. BLG #4
 S/Glorice **Ferrell**. BLG #4
 S/Daisy **Fiveash**. BLG #4
 S/Louise **Harden**. BLG #1
 S/Robbie **Hester**. BLG #2
 S/Josie **Jackson**. BLG #5
 S/Barbara H. **Jones**. BLG #2
 S/Mary **McKinnon**. BLG #1
 S/Jeniece **Myers**. BLG #1
 B/A. Jerome **Rizer**. BLG #1
 B/Tony **Rozer**. BLG #5
 B/Solomon **Sanders**. BLG #2
 S/Rosa & S/Benita **Settles**. BLG #2
 S/Louise **Simmons**. BLG #1
 S/Jeniece **Myers**. BLG #1
 S/Laura **Turner**. BLG #1
 S/Mary S. **Williams**. BLG #4

God's Plan

for Saving Man

Divine Love John 3:16
 God's Grace Ephesians 2:8
 Christ's Blood Romans 5:9
 Holy Spirit's Word Romans 1:16
 Sinner's Faith Acts 16:31
 Sinner's Repentance Luke 13:3
 Sinner's Confession Romans 10:10
 Sinner's Baptism Acts 22:16
 Christian's Love Matthew 22:37
 Christian's Work James 2:24
 Christian's Hope Romans 8:24
 Christian's Endurance Revelation 2:10

WOODLAWN FORREST COUNSELING SERVICE

Dorothy Dye, Ph.D., Christian Clinical Counselor

For Appointment call 229-232-9458.

In-house Appointments have Resumed,
 December 11th & 18th, 10:00am-1:00pm



December DAILY BIBLE READING

Date	New Testament	Old Testament
Wednesday, 12/01	1 Peter 4	Ezekiel 36-37
Thursday, 12/02	1 Peter 5	Ezekiel 38-39
Friday, 12/03	2 Peter 1	Ezekiel 40-41
Saturday, 12/04	2 Peter 2	Ezekiel 42-44
Sunday, 12/05	2 Peter 3	Ezekiel 45-46
Monday, 12/06	1 John 1	Ezekiel 47-48
Tuesday, 12/07	1 John 2	Daniel 1-2
Wednesday, 12/08	1 John 3	Daniel 3-4
Thursday, 12/09	1 John 4	Daniel 5-6
Friday, 12/10	1 John 5	Daniel 7-9
Saturday, 12/11	2 John-3 John	Daniel 10-12
Sunday, 12/12	Jude	Hosea 1-3
Monday, 12/13	Revelation 1	Hosea 4-7
Tuesday, 12/14	Revelation 2	Hosea 8-11
Wednesday, 12/15	Revelation 3	Hosea 12-14
Thursday, 12/16	Revelation 4-5	Joel 1-3
Friday, 12/17	Revelation 6	Amos 1-5
Saturday, 12/18	Revelation 7	Amos 6-9
Sunday, 12/19	Revelation 8	Obadiah
Monday, 12/20	Revelation 9	Jonah 1-4
Tuesday, 12/21	Revelation 10-11	Micah 1-4
Wednesday, 12/22	Revelation 12	Micah 5-7
Thursday, 12/23	Revelation 13	Nahum 1-3
Friday, 12/24	Revelation 14	Habakkuk 1-3
Saturday, 12/25	Revelation 15-16	Zephaniah 1-3
Sunday, 12/26	Revelation 17	Haggai 1-2
Monday, 12/27	Revelation 18	Zachariah 1-5
Tuesday, 12/28	Revelation 19	Zachariah 6-8
Wednesday, 12/29	Revelation 20	Zachariah 9-11
Thursday, 12/30	Revelation 21	Zachariah 12-14
Friday, 12/31	Revelation 22	Malachi 1-4 ♦♦



Opportunities To Learn & Grow

➤ **WORSHIP, Sundays @ 11:00am**
(In Person & Virtual, Facebook Live)

➤ **SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 4:00pm**
(Zoom) Meeting ID: 894-681-340

➤ **DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY**
Wednesdays @ 7:00pm (Zoom)
Meeting ID: 832-0380-6755

➤ **Wednesday Night Live BIBLE STUDY**
@ 6:40- 8:15pm



Birthdays & Anniversaries

1st - Jamillah Gardner
 1st - Harry Howell, Sr.
 4th - Delbra Battles
 4th - Laura Turner
 5th - Tarsha Howell
 6th - Eddie Ashley
 7th - Carlton Jackson, Jr.
 8th - Todja Rambo
 10th - Shannon Davis
 11th - Rosa Settles
 12th - Ronnie Pierce
 12th - Solomon Sanders
 13th - Brenda Armstrong Brown
 13th - Edwina Braswell
 14th - E. Jayce Rogers
 14th - Betty Vann
 26th - Makunda Ewing
 29th - Jakerra Brown
 30th - Lakindra Arnold
 30th - Benita Settles
 31st - Stephen Mathis, Jr.
 31st - Geneva Pride



6th - Alvin & LaRonda Boyd, Jr., 18-years.
 15th - Robert & Cynthia Williams, 42-years.
 21st - Terry & Shamiah Zeigler-Williams, 3-years.
 27th - Carlton & Nadine Jackson, 21-years.
 30th - Eddie & Dorothy Hill, 43-years.
 30th - Andre' & Lovey Marshall, 27-years.

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR **DECEMBER:**

1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th - WFG sponsors **Wednesday Night Live** Bible Study, 6:40-8:15pm
 4th, 11th, 18th - IMAGE Ministry Recording 10:30-11:30am.
 4th - **New Members' Social, 11:00am-1:00pm.**
 5th - **DOLLAR DAYS** - Funds go toward the ongoing events and activities of our Youth Ministry.
 6th - IMAGE Ministry Meeting 6:00pm
 11th - Clothes Closet Ministry Visitation, 11:00am.
 11th - **Meals-On-Wheels** Ministry meets 10:00am.
 16th - **Leadership Team** Meeting 6:00pm.
 18th - **BLG #5** Group Outing: Place and Time TBD.
 21st - *First Day of Winter.*
 25th - *Christmas Day.*
 31st - *New Year's Eve.*



Due to the pandemic last year, we were unable to have the **NEW MEMBERS SOCIAL**. Therefore, all who were Baptized (B), Placed Membership (PM), or Restored (R) to the Woodlawn Forrest Family in 2020 or 2021, you are the Honored Guest! You are asked to meet on Saturday, December 4th in the churches dining area from 11:00am-1:00pm. Those we have recorded are:

Ms. Quintina Y. Adams (R)
 Mrs. Frankie M. Berrian (R)
 Mr. Russell J. Berrian (R)
 Ms. Alexandria N. Bolden (R)
 Mrs. Barbara A. Booker (R)
 Ms. Teresa A. Campesi (R)*
 Ms. Patricia A Christian (PM)
 Mr. Erique F. Davis (PM)
 Mrs. Sabrina D. Davis (R)
 Mrs. Shannon C. Davis (PM)
 Mr. Eric D. Freeman (R)
 Mr. Jalon Gallahair (B)*
 Ms. Nancy Hall Starks (B)*
 Ms. Michelle M. Henry (B)
 Mr. Eddie J. Hudson (B)
 Mr. Andre' D. Marshall (PM)
 Mrs. Lamarian 'Lovey' Marshall (PM)
 Mr. Brian K. McSwain (B)
 Mr. Bennie J. Morris (R)
 Ms. De'Juan A. Morrow (B)*
 Mr. Nakea D. Motes, Sr. (R)
 Mrs. Carma A. Pickett (PM)
 Mr. Darryl M. Pickett (R)
 Mr. Arthur Jerome Rizer (R)
 Miss Shamari R. Roundtree (B)
 Mr. Tony L. Rozer (R)
 Mr. Chae'Ahman Tillman (R)
 Mr. Cynthia E. Walthour (PM)
 Mr. James C. Walthour (B)
 Mr. Tyrone Cartez Webb (B)
 Ms. Georgette Westerfield (B)*
 Mr. Terry L. Williams (B)
 Mrs. Shamiah Zeigler-Williams (B)

**Have since moved away from Valdosta.*

Assigned to Serve in DECEMBER:

Baptismal: Pat Bell, Renee Darden, & Sonja Morris.
Kitchen Monitor: Nadine Jackson & Cynthia Williams.
Lock-up & Security: Marcus Pride.

Identifying Marks of the Lord's Church: What Standard of Authority?

The New Testament is the only standard of the Lord's church in faith and practice. In the first century church, there were no human creeds. The apostles were guided by the Spirit "into all truth" (John 16:13). They left us the fully revealed, written Word of God (Ephesians 3:3, 5; Jude 1:3). The early church "continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine" (Acts 2:42). No person is to add to the Word nor subtract from it (Deuteronomy 4:2; Revelation 22:18-19; 1 Peter 4:11). The omniscient God does not need man's input. His Word needs no revision (Matthew 24:35). The Holy Scriptures are all-sufficient for man's salvation. "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).



God's Word contains "all things that pertain to life and godliness" (2 Peter 1:3). Thus, there is no continuing revelation or direct operation of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of sinners or Christians today. The faith "was once for all delivered to the saints" (Jude 1:3). The Spirit operates today only through the Word, His sword (Ephesians 6:17). The gospel "is the power of God to salvation" (Romans 1:16).

We can understand the Bible, and we can understand it alike. Otherwise, Jesus would not have said, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32).

Some say, "You see it one way, and I will see it another." However, this has the Bible teaching opposite things. Truth never contradicts. The Lord does not require some things of one person and contradictory things of another. "God is not the author of confusion" (1 Corinthians 14:33). Paul said that we should "all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Corinthians 1:10). If we cannot understand the Scriptures alike, it would be impossible to obey this verse.

While abroad, a man from China purchased a powerful microscope. Returning, he looked at contaminated rice through the microscope and saw tiny living creatures crawling all over it. He did not like what the microscope revealed; rice was his favorite meal. What did he do? He smashed the microscope to pieces!

Johoiakim did not like what was revealed in God's Word. What did he do? He cut it with the scribe's knife and cast it into the fire (Jeremiah 26:23). Yet, the Word remained (36:28, 32). It remains today, "The word of the Lord endures forever" (1 Peter 1:25). We will be judged according to the Word (John 12:48).

If a religious organization holds some other book as its standard in faith and practice, or perverts the Truth, it is not the church of the Lord (Galatians 1:6-9; Colossians 2:8).

-Andy Cates

HOUSE TO HOUSE Heart to Heart
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1. Adjust your headlights - - so others may see your good works and glorify God (Matthew 5:15).
2. Set your timing - - so as to be in the assemblies on time (Hebrews 10:25).
3. Adjust your brakes - - on your tongue; it is in a slippery place (James 3:5-12).
4. Tune-up your heart - - and have peace of mind that passes all understanding (Philippians 4:7)
5. Align your directions - - that you may be able to steer yourself up the straight and narrow road that leads to life. (Matthew 7:13,14).
6. Tune-up your mind - - so as to think only pure, holy and noble things (Philippians 4:8).
7. For a quick start - - and a sure victory, be ready at all times to do the Lord's will (I Corinthians 15:58; Titus 3:1)
8. Anti-freeze your heart - - and "be fervent in spirit, serving the Lord" (Romans 12:11).
9. Lubricate your spirit - - with the "oil of gladness" rejoicing always in the Lord" (Romans 12:11)
10. Re-tire - - from this life with the full assurance of eternal life (2 Timothy 4:6-8).

Via The Newsletter, Tipton, OK



TOO BUSY!

Forgive me Lord, I've been too busy. Too busy to talk to you more than just a few minutes a day. Too busy to read and study your Word. Too busy to see the beauty of the sunset and the coming of fall. Too busy to hear the birds singing and the laughter of children. Too busy to feel Your presence in my heart. Too busy to meditate on your goodness and my blessings. Too busy to feel that warmth and security that comes from knowing You. I've been away, Lord, and I want to come home. You've been waiting patiently for me to give up the frantic hustle and bustle of worldly living. I put it in your hands. Now help me live at a slower pace. To lay aside those things which are not important. To do those things that will enrich my life and draw me closer to You.

Thank you for your patience with me and You not being Too Busy!