

From the Minister's Desk



Orpheus Heyward

# The Lord Desires an Evangelistic Church

Jesus the Christ upon His resurrection, instructs the disciples to go and teach all nations. The Gospel according to Mark says “go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature”. The church cannot survive universally or congregationally if it ceases to perform evangelistic efforts. Evangelism is a vital ministry to the overall growth of the Lord’s Church. It is essential that each member implement in their daily lives the practice of communicating the gospel. It is not only a privilege, but a direct command to the people of God. To ignore evangelism is to ignore the authority of Christ. Our going into all the world is directly linked to our faith in His authority, which was manifested upon His resurrection. This is why His statement, “go and teach all nations” is subsequent to His statement, “all authority is given unto me in heaven and in earth.”

The New Testament church was a growing church because of its consistent efforts to preach the gospel. Consider these scriptures that provide insight to the evangelistic ethics of the first century church. May we duplicate their zeal and multiply in number. Let us not die. Let us multiply!

- Acts 2:47 – daily added
- Acts 5:41 – ceased not to teach the word
- Acts 6:7 – the number multiplied
- Acts 8:4 – went every where preaching the word

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING DECEMBER 16



There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, December 16 to update everyone on plans for 2008, the building programs progress and more. Details on service times and bible classes will be communicated soon.

### P R A Y E R   L I S T

Athaniel and Juliette Hill	Jerome & Vanessa Hodge	Olympia Billings
The Bagby Family	Adria Morgan	Orlando & Alexis Bryd
Orpheus Heyward	Edith Hodge	George Odom
Johnny Ross & Family	Terry Almond	The Royals Family
The Rowe Family	Susan Hodge & family	Patricia Turner

Prayer Ministry – If you have a desire for prayer, or know someone who does, please forward your request to [dhmor30331@yahoo.com](mailto:dhmor30331@yahoo.com), or call Doris Morgan at 404-346-1372. You can also contact Johnnie Stephens at 404-243-1139, Esther Brown at 404-696-3941, Angela Dillard ([midnite626@yahoo.com](mailto:midnite626@yahoo.com)), or Nettie Fanning at 404-696-9104. In order to avoid duplication, names that are currently listed on the Sick and Shut-In list will not be added to the Prayer List.

# MINISTRY / COMMITTEE / ZONES NEWS

## Zone 7 Meeting Saturday

*Zone 7 will meet at the home of Fred and Barbara Hall, 2087 County Down Lane, Stone Mountain, GA on Saturday, December 8 from 12 noon – 2 p.m. Please call Barbara at 770-323-8107 for more information.*

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### WEST END ACTIVITIES & INFO

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**Baptism Certificates** – If you were recently baptized here at West End and have not received a baptismal certificate, please see Gayron Johnson or call her at the church office. You can also contact Bro. David Logan

The **Membership to Discipleship** group meets each Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in the brick annex. See J.P. Collier, David Logan, or Dorothy Reed for more information.

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### AREA EVENTS

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Make plans now to attend the **Annual Ministers' Institute Conference (MIC)** on January 19-24, 2008 at the Coral Springs Marriott Hotel, Golf Club & Convention Center at 11775 Heron Bay Blvd. in Coral Springs, FL. This event is sponsored by the New Golden Heights CofC in Ft. Lauderdale, FL where W.F. Washington is the minister. Details, prices, and online registration is at [www.MinistersInstituteConference.com](http://www.MinistersInstituteConference.com).

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## Got Baptized or Placed Membership from Another Church of Christ?

All individuals and families placing membership with West End from another Church of Christ, or those that have been baptized here should attend our New Members/New Converts Orientation Class. The class is for two consecutive Sundays and Wednesdays (total of four class sessions) and led by members of West End's leadership. Contact elder, I. David Logan (404-755-1016) with any questions about the orientation class. The class is held in the red brick house located adjacent to the main building, and is held during regular Bible School class times. After taking the class, new converts will be directed to the New Converts Class; new members will be advised of the classes available for them and their families. Contact minister Orpheus Heyward (678-592-3397) or any elder or deacon with any questions.

## Baptisms

11/25 **Raynard Neal**  
596 Atwood St.  
Atlanta, GA 30310  
404-753-2210  
DOB: 6/14/77

11/21 **Jessie K. Roberts**  
2680 Woodward Rd.  
College Park, GA 30349  
770-907-2699  
DOB: 9/25/92

11/21 **Melanie Patterson**  
2733 Jefferson Ave.  
Knoxville, TN 37917  
865-973-7160  
DOB: 9/07/76  
Melliesavon@yahoo.com  
(Will be worshipping  
in Knoxville, TN)

Placed Membership  
11/25 **Crystal N. Telfair**  
4093 Sitka  
Douglasville, GA

## Bulletin Announcements

If you want an announcement in the Sunday bulletin, your information must be emailed by noon on Monday to:

**announcements@thewestender.com.**

E-mailing is the preferred method. Written or telephoned announcements should be directed to Tawania Thigpen (678-270-8992), Cynthia (CJ) Mitchell (770-322-1072) or David Bishop (770-306-7462). Please plan in advance so your information won't be left out.

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### Reminder to Parents and Adult Bible School Teachers

Parents with children in Bible classes should either be excused from class by the teacher and/or make efforts to leave class no later than 10 minutes before the end of class time to pick up your children in a timely manner.

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## December Calendar Now Available

Don't Forget to pick up your December Birthday and Events calendar from the Greeter's Table in the foyer.

## SICK & SHUT-IN

To be included or to have someone included or removed from this listing please contact Gayron Johnson at the church office.

Carrie Henderson – 1258 Windsor Pkwy, Atl., GA 30319. 404-255-1210. The father of Cynthia J. Mitchell, E.B. Johnson, is ill. Correspondence may be sent to Bro. and Sis. Johnson at 297 Macon Ave., Athens, GA 30601. The father of Robin Knox, Mr. James Knox, is in the Heartland Rehabilitation Center in Charleston, SC. Send encouragements and cards to Robin's address for proper forwarding and delivery to 643 Hynds Springs Dr., Jonesboro, GA 30238. William Johnson, Jr., son of William and Gayron Johnson, is resting at home, recovering from a prolonged illness. Cressie Lawson – 450 Fairburn Rd, SW, #14, Atlanta, GA 30331. 404-696-2548. The mother of Isacque Nixon is recovering from open heart surgery. Thomas Chase is in Crestview Nursing Home located at 2800 Springdale Rd., Atl., GA 30315, 404-616-8100. Visitors are welcomed. Lillie Tyler – 419 Crossing Dr, Lithia Springs, GA 30122, 770-732-8914. Annie Glaze – A.G. Rhodes Home at Wesley Woods, Room 421, 1819 Clifton Rd., NE, Atl., GA 30329. Barbara Edgerton is at home ill. Tallulah Latham – 320 Fairburn Rd., Apt H-6, Atl., GA 30331, 404-505-1581. Willie Mae Morrow – 3060 Continental Colony Pkwy., Apt. 502, Atl., GA 30330. 404-344-9990. Elizabeth Perkins – 1392 Maynard Rd., NW, #31, Atl., GA 30331. 404-691-0268. Elnora Bethel – 3700 Potomac Dr., East Point, GA 30344. Daneka Vickers, daughter of Mack and Sandra Freeman. Annie McArthur – 751 Fairburn Rd., SW #2212, Atl., GA, 30331. 404-699-2939. Anreneka Johnson.

## BEREAVEMENTS

Johnny Ross and the Ross family mourn the loss of Johnny's mother. She was funeralized this past Tuesday. Send condolences to Johnny and Peggy Ross at 404-288-2890; 3264 Glenwood Rd., Decatur, GA 30032.

James Whitfield mourns the passing of his grandmother. She was funeralized last week. Calls of condolence to 770-593-9543.