

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 Converts class with Orpheus Heyward or the our Orientation Class respectively. Those placing membership are strongly urged to attend the Orientation class led by members of West End's leadership. Contact elder, I. David Logan (404-755-1016) with any questions about the Orientation Class. Both classes are held in the red brick house located adjacent to the main building during regular Bible School class times. Those placing membership 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.

Note: Speakers may change without notice.

8:00 a.m. O. Heyward

10:45 a.m. O. Heyward

6:00 p.m. O. Heyward

■ Regular Sunday Schedule

8:00 a.m. Early morning worship

9:45 a.m. Bible classes for all ages

10:45 a.m. Mid-morning worship

6:00 p.m. Evening worship

■ Regular Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Adult Bible class

7:30 p.m. Bible classes for all ages

Pre-Worship

Song

Visitor Salute

Announcements

Order of Worship

Opening Prayer

Songs

Scripture Reading

Main Prayer

Song

Sermon

Invitation

Song

Collection

Communion

Song

Closing Prayer

Online Ordering of Sermon CD's Available

Order audio sermon recordings using the computer terminal in the foyer. Ordering is quick and easy. Ask anyone to help you fill out the form if necessary.

CONTRIBUTION & ATTENDANCE GOALS

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Last Week: Goal - \$
Actual - \$

BIBLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

Last Week: Goal -
Actual -

WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE:

Last Week:
8:30 am - Goal -
Actual -
10:45 am - Goal -
Actual -

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Fellow-Feeling

The apostle Paul wrote to the church at Corinth, "But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that part which lacks it, that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it" (1 Corinthians 12:24-26).

Christians ought to care for one another. We need to develop and encourage empathy — what the dictionary describes as "the action of understanding, being aware of, being sensitive to, and vicariously experiencing the feelings, thoughts, and experience of another." There's an old English expression that summarizes this same action: "fellow-feeling." We should be a fellow-feeling people, with the capacity to feel joy with others when they have occasion for joy, sorrow in times of sorrow, and compassion in times of need.

Our brothers and sisters in the first century of the modern age were fellow-feeling folks. They maintained an atmosphere of sharing and mutual concern, providing for one another's needs (Acts 2:44-46). Luke, our inspired historian, tells us, "Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul" (Acts 4:32), and that none among them lacked anything, because the others all gave of what they had (Acts 4:34). This principle applied not only to their material needs, but to their spiritual needs as well.

The fact that many early Christians actively demonstrated their empathy for others did not exempt them all from being reminded repeatedly how important it was that they continue in this behavior. Paul admonished the church in Rome, "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality" (Romans 12:10-13). Since the Holy Spirit is not in the habit of wasting words, we can be certain that those Roman saints needed that instructional reminder, even as we do.

It's also no accident that when the apostle described genuine love to the Christians in Corinth, he did so using actions that define empathy: longsuffering, kindness, and unselfishness (1 Corinthians 13:4-7). If we truly love one another, we will exhibit the patience necessary to seek out each other's needs, and minister to them kindly and sacrificially (James 1:27). For the entire church to be sound and whole, we each need to shore one another up, so that even the weakest among us is made strong. The Bible assures us that our God cares for us (1 Peter 5:7). That being true, we should care deeply for all those who are His — and show it! -- copied

Senior Museum Outing

The Senior Citizens Committee is planning an exciting trip to the High Museum on Saturday, March 7. We would love all senior citizens enjoy the exhibitions at the museum and fellowship with one another. If you are interested, sign the list in the foyer and pick up a flyer. The deadline to sign-up is February 22. Direct questions to Debbie Sledge (770-498-6251).

PRAYER LIST

If you have a desire for prayer, or know someone who does, please forward your request to dhmor30331@yahoo.com, or call Doris Morgan at 404-346-1372. You can also contact Esther Brown at 404-696-3941, Angela Dillard (midnite626@yahoo.com), Nettie Fanning at 404-696-9104, or Tonya Sykes at 678-469-9105 (tmsykes2003@yahoo.com). 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.

Ruby Moore & Family	Yolanda & Phillip Folkes	Latrece Folkes	Norma Brown
Virginia Stewart & Family	Lisa & Kelvin Hammett	Charlotte & Charles Ham	Nia Bullock
Gunther Burnside	Ruth Moneke	Adrian Brown	

WEST END ACTIVITIES & INFO

For this month's **Brother's Breakfast**, let's adjust our schedules to help the Rowell's move into their new home this Saturday. While enjoying our usual fellowship, breakfast, snacks, and a buffet lunch (all courtesy of the Rowell's) will be provided in appreciation of ANY time that we give to aid our church family. Contact Otis Smart (404-423-8503) or Reggie Rowell (770-605-8414) for details.

The **Golden Voices will rehearse** next Sunday approximately one hour after the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Those interested in becoming part of the group are welcomed to attend.

Anyone in need of **household goods** such as kitchenware, furniture, female clothing etc., please contact Bill Moore at 404-593-3381 or by e-mail at aga7043@comcast.net.

NACA Workshops at West End – Mark your calendars as NACA will return to West End on March 7, April 4, and May 2 from 9 a.m.–1 p.m. NACA assists at-risk homeowners restructure their mortgages to make it affordable over the long-term with their HomeSave program. Register at www.naca.com. Select Members, then NACA Workshops. If you are looking to purchase a home, NACA can also help with their HomePurchase program. See Carla Williams with any questions.

West End has implemented an **online events calendar** where West Enders can see upcoming events including dates, times, and location. Before scheduling an event, check this calendar first to avoid conflicts. To have an event added to the calendar, email Gayron Johnson at gjohnson@thewestender.com or call her at 404-753-6271 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. To view the calendar, click the calendar image on the home page of West End's web site.

Plans are underway for the next **Georgia AGAPE Golf Marathon** event on May 18. Although we have a great day of golf, this event is primarily about raising funds for the children and families served through AGAPE. Anyone interested in participating as a team member, both men and women, and are ready to help raise funds, please contact Bill Moore (404-593-3381 or aga7043@comcast.net) or Gerald Duncan (678-794-4491).

The **Children's Bible Hour** program is in need of volunteers to work with this ministry. Please see Shona Nixon to sign up and volunteer, or call her at 404-219-4893.

There is a **Job Fair** for the general public on March 3 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Fox Theatre in Atlanta. Visit Alanta.EmploymentGuide.com for details.

Fine-tune your Bible skills by attending West End's one-hour weekly seminar "**How to Study the Bible**". It is held EVERY TUESDAY from 7-8 p.m., and is specifically designed to improve your Bible knowledge through hands on, instructor-led, proven techniques. Orpheus Heyward conducts the class.

Baptismal Certificates – If you were recently baptized and have not received your baptismal certificate, please see or contact Sony Heyward.

YOUTH AND SINGLES

February Star Students – Congratulations to the following 14 West End Star Students: **Devin Daniels, DeJae Daniels, DaJaun Mathis, Larisa Bishop, Erin Langford, Lauren Langford, Victoria Glover, Stasha Martin, Alkita Jackson, Raven Bates, Lauren Rausaw, Aundrey Flewellen, Gordon Glover, and Gabrielle Glover**. These individuals will be recognized as part of our Black History Program festivities on February 22.

Congratulations to **Joy Mitchell**, daughter of Melvin and Cynthia Mitchell, for winning first place for 4th graders in the DeKalb County Technology Fair with her winning web site. Joy now advances to the State Technology Fair competition on March 14.

AREA EVENTS

Attend the **Ladies Day of Edification** on February 21 at the Locust Grove CoFC, 240 Beersheba Church Rd., Locust Grove, GA. The guest speaker is West End's own Joyce Hall. The theme is, The "Titus 2 Woman." The event starts with breakfast from 8 to 8:45 a.m. The program is from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. For additional information call 770-957-6999 or 678-994-4668.

West End Black History Program Next Sunday February 22 "Black History: Past, Present, and Future"

West End's Youth in Action (YIA) ministry will be hosting a Black History program on Sunday, February 22 at 4 p.m. The theme is, "Black History: Past, Present, and Future". It will feature a new skit by our drama team, spoken-word poetry, a fashion show, and more. Our February Star Students will also be recognized. See youth coordinators, Jabari Sykes, Brittany Houston, Anitra Patrick or Natasha Hartry with any questions.

Attention Parents & Guardians of Children Who Attend West End's Bible Classes

On Wednesdays and Sundays, the coordinators and leaders of the educational programs need your help. If you have children in preschool through 7th grade, we ask that you escort them to and from bible classes. This request is made to ensure the ultimate safety of our children while also keeping the hallways/entry ways free of noise (i.e. from running children) or other idle activity. Each bible class student in this category should be picked up by either the parent or other authorized adult (age 18 or over). Please assist us in this endeavor as we strive to create the most secure and conducive biblical learning environment for all classes here at West End.



It's time to put your New Years resolution into action. Join the "Toning Your Temple" weight loss challenge by signing up with your zone leaders or at the back table in the church foyer. The competition will kick off on February 28 here at the church from 9-11 a.m. with the official weigh in, exercise workshops, and nutrition classes to get you started off right. We've also rescheduled the senior citizens exercise class for that date. Senior citizens who are interested should sign up so we can get a proper head count. See your zone leader, Reggie Rowell, Kanita Key, or any member of the Training & Development team.

Marketing Committee Meeting

The Marketing Committee will meet Sunday, March 1 at 3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please address any questions you may have to Yonita Rowell or Denise West.

Experiencing Challenges Raising Your Male Teen or Pre-Teen?

Come get some answers, options, and advice next Sunday at 4 p.m. at West End's Black History Program. Get useful information from presenters Larry Washington and Darnell and LaDonna Suggs.

SICK & SHUT-IN

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

The mother-in-law of former West Ender **Belinda Harrison** is very ill. Contact Belinda and Kenneth at 863-868-5003. **Sandra Davis**, daughter of Kate Hendrix – Dekalb Medical Center (North Decatur Campus), Room 2505. 404-501-6590. **Ossie Porter** (mother of Bill Moore) – A.G. Rhodes Homes, 350 Boulevard, SE., A Wing, Room 102, Atl., GA 30312. **John White** – Reliable Health & Rehabilitation, 3301 Lakewood Ave., Room 115, Atl., GA 30310; 404-406-7427. **Jessie Davis** – Buckhead Health & Rehabilitation, 54 Peachtree Park Dr., NE, Room 407, Atl., GA 30309. **Joyce Mapp** – 3371 Hyland Dr., Decatur, GA 30032. **Cressie Lawson** – 450 Fairburn Rd, SW, #14, Atl., GA 30331. 404-696-2548. **Annie Glaze** – A.G. Rhodes Home at Wesley Woods, Room 421, 1819 Clifton Rd., NE, Atl., GA 30329. **Barbara Edgerton** – 2469 Baywood Dr., S, Atl., GA 30315; 404-438-6659. **Tallulah Latham** – 320 Fairburn Rd., Apt. H-6, Atl., GA 30331. 404-505-1581. **Willie Mae Marrow** – 3060 Continental Colony Pkwy., Apt. 502, Atl., GA 30330. 404-344-9990. **Elizabeth Perkins** – 2748 Donald Lee Hollowell Pkwy., Apt. 121, Atl., GA 30318. 404-792-9115. **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**.