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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.

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

West End Annual

Ladies Day

May 16

Ladies, please mark your calendars for our Annual Ladies Day Seminar on Saturday, May 16. All ladies are invited. If you would like

to donate door prizes for

West End's Ladies Day

Seminar, please contact

Schyla Jackson

(404-286-1279) or

smjacksonrich@hotmail.com.

The Path to Unfaithfulness

A casual examination of the rolls of most congregations will reveal a large number of the "unfaithful," those folks who seldom if ever attend the worship services, and never participate in any other activity of the church of the Lord. These people are a continual concern to the conscientious preacher and a heartbreak to the faithful elder. Most efforts to enlist them back into the service of their Captain fail. It is evident that preventive effort will be much more beneficial than treatment after the fact; but how did these people arrive at this condition? What are the steps toward unfaithfulness that others may be warned?

An examination of the history of those who have departed will indicate a uniform pattern of behavior that is characteristic of most of those who have turned back, no longer to walk with the Lord. No one seems to take the giant step from the faithful relationship to unfaithfulness in one bound. A gradual departure seems to be the pattern. The following lists those elements observed in many that have left the worship service. It is hoped that this list will assist the sincere follower of Christ to evaluate his own life for the danger signs of creeping unfaithfulness.

Creeping Absenteeism: At first, seemingly irreconcilable conflicts arose that "prevented" one from attending some services. Then, it seems that one is almost looking for the barrier to attendance. This absenteeism deprives one of the associations with strong mature Christians and keeps one from the food of God's Word that can provide strength for temptations. Soon one is able to absent himself without any prodding of the conscience. If you are one of the absentees, see if you do not observe this pattern in your own life. If you are one who is beginning this pattern, please be aware of where it will eventually lead you.

Critical Observations: When one finds himself continually being critical of the actions of others in the worship services – song leaders, preachers, elders, singing, those serving, actions of members around him – he can be assured that it will not be long until he can find a "reason" to absent himself from those associations with imperfect people. When one begins to evaluate his own worship experience by the behavior of other participants, his own worship experience is beginning to lack some vital elements.

Hyper-Sensitive: Whenever we begin to feel that every comment of the brother or sister is "against" us, we are headed toward a reason for not continuing our fellowship with them. After all, we do not have to take that kind of treatment! So we have found justifications for departure. Another symptom is this creeping malady is the individual who finds occasion to complain because he was not "served." That is, no one called; he was expecting and no one responded. Admittedly, there is cause for concern whenever anyone's needs are not adequately met in the congregation, but that is not justification for quitting the Lord.

Entertainment-Oriented: Some folk become members of the church during an emotional high and now they are disenchanting because the high is not maintained. They are continually complaining because someone is not "doing something" to entertain them. Surely, someone should be appointed to keep these folks interested. It won't be long until they begin to eye those churches and congregations that do major in entertainment rather than Christianity. We must remember that worship is God directed, not man-centered. - copied

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.

Fredric, Rhonda & Tyjuan McKinney	Brad Harris Alonzo McWilliams	Keith King Shavonda Clark
Betty Hayes	Lee Runnels	Jacoby Williams
Octavis Royals, Sr.	Rubye Moore & family	
Octavis Royals, Jr.	Lazelle Jones, Jr.	

WEST END ACTIVITIES & INFO



Attention all Toning Your Temple Participants: Our first workshop will be held on March 28 from 9-11 a.m. West End's very own Sherri Long will be discussing ways to boost your metabolism and will lead an aerobics class.

Attention 2009 Graduates – All West Enders that are graduating/have graduated from high school, college, vocational school, graduate school, or technical/medical school in 2009 are asked to please sign the Graduate's List located in the foyer. Parents of graduates are directed to sign your children's name on the list. We will be hosting our Annual Graduates Recognition event very soon and need this important information so that no one is left out. See David Bishop (770-306-7462) with any questions.

The 2009 Marriage Retreat will be held August 20-23 at the Winshape Conference Center on the campus of Berry College in Rome, GA. The cost is \$470 per couple and includes all meals and lodging. Payment plan is as follows: \$125 due now, then pay monthly. See Robert and Stella Wilson with any questions.

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).

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.

YOUTH AND SINGLES

Youth Retreat 2009 Information – As a result of reduced budgets across all of West End's ministries, the 2009 Youth Retreat normally held in late July will not take place. The Youth in Action (YIA) youth ministry is focusing on other varieties of events segmented by age group categories throughout this year. We look forward to your continued participation and support for West End's youth program. Direct any questions you may have to David Bishop.



See the West End Drama Team on YouTube! Visit West End's web site for the link.

9-12 Grade Fellowship Event – All West End 9-12 graders are invited to go ice skating on Saturday, April 11 at "The Cooler" skating rink; 108000 Davis Dr., Alpharetta, GA 30009. We will meet at West End at 12 noon. The cost is \$10 per person. See coordinators, Jabari Sykes, Wretrick Rausaw, or David Bishop. Sign the list in the 9-10 grade and 11-12 grade classrooms, so you can be contacted/reminded as the time approaches.

AREA EVENTS

Foster Parent Training – Georgia AGAPE will begin Foster Parent Training classes the first weekend in April. Foster parenting with AGAPE is a great way to teach children to walk in the truth. We hope that you will consider joining in this ministry. Call 770-452-9995 for more information.

Support SWCC – You are invited to attend the "Men Who Cook" Fundraiser for Southwestern Christian College on Saturday, May 2 from 2-6 p.m. at the Adamsville Recreation Center, 3201 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr., Atlanta, GA 30311. Sample the many dishes, win door prizes, and enjoy the fashion show. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Contact Bernice Barnes (404-574-3547), Curtis Daniels (404-241-6651), Lorraine Jackson (404-344-9684), Viola Tookes (770-627-9360) or Jeannette James (404-392-0017) to secure your tickets.

Share Concerns and Ideas with Elders

Share Concerns and Ideas with Elders - West End's elders are providing the opportunity for members to make presentations to them on various issues or ideas on the third Wednesday of every month from 6-7 p.m. Those wishing to take advantage of this opportunity, must schedule an appointment through Floyd Williams in advance. Presentations are limited to a maximum of 10 minutes. This time is not designated for counseling or benevolence issues as those situations are addressed at the end of each worship service to the elder on duty.

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.

NACA Returns to West End

On March 7, over 1,100 people attended the NACA workshop to learn how to purchase a home or save their home. We have an opportunity to reach out to the community at the next NACA events being held here on April 4 and May 2 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Learn more about NACA at www.naca.com.

See the areas below and contact Carla Willimas to commit to coming out to represent West End in one of the following areas:

WELCOME: Greet visitors and distribute out West End brochure on how to receive the gospel. Distribute drawing forms to capture visitors' info.

DIRECT: Direct overflow of ladies to restrooms in the educational building.

SET-UP: AV assistance, set up tables for sign-in

CLEAN UP: Keep restrooms stocked with tissue/papertowels. Keep trash cans emptied and input new bags. Pick up paper, return books in sanctuary.

Marketing Committee Meeting TODAY at 3:30 p.m.

in the Fellowship Hall. Please address any questions to Yonita Rowell or Denise West.

Zone 4/5 Activity Saturday

On Saturday, March 28, Zone 4/5 will host a bowling spectacular at the Fayetteville Fun Bowl located at 124 North 85 Parkway, Fayetteville, GA 30214 (770-461-8822). The event starts at 11 a.m. to promote fun, family, friendship and fellowship within all the members of West End's largest zone. For more information pick up a flyer in the foyer or contact Dwayne McNeil (770-500-2074).

New Address

Moses & Joyce Hall
199 Bette, Lukin, TX 75901
936-824-5024

SICK & SHUT-IN

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

Larry Timberlake is in hospice care at 5401 Old National Hwy., #2108, College Park, GA. 30349; 404-914-1083. **Gunther Burnside. 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. **Anrenea Johnson**.

BEREAVEMENTS

Clark and Clemmie Brown mourn the loss of Clemmie's sister, Nellie Kelly. The family has traveled to Florida for the funeral. Send condolences to 5270 Gaydon Rd., Powder Springs, GA 30127. **Tony and Velma Carswell** and family mourn the loss of Tony's mother, Ruby P. Carswell, this past Tuesday. Please keep the Carswell and Payne families in prayer. The funeral was held yesterday in Jeffersonville, GA. Send condolences to 4536 Brandon Dr., SW; Lilburn, GA 30047.