

From the Minister's Desk



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Let's talk about Worship

There can be no dispute that God is a good God. It is important for the children of God to realize that God is worthy to be worshipped. Scriptures enumerate several reasons why God should be worshipped. He has blessed us with all spiritual blessings (Eph. 1:3). He has made it possible to be redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ (Eph. 1:7). He calls us children of God even though we do not deserve that title (1 John 3:1-2). He has reserved an inheritance for me in heaven (Eph. 1:13-14). He has sealed us with the Holy Spirit, in which we are His property (Eph. 1:13). Therefore, it is only logical that we give God the worship He deserves and demands seeing He has done so much for us, and will continue to do above all that we ask or think.

While the Bible is clear that God desires worship, many people are confused concerning the worship that God requires. First of all, we must understand that worship must be according the conditions stated by God. Man does not choose how he worships. That is will-worship of which God is utterly displeased. It is God that sets the parameters and the standard by which we ought to render worship. Furthermore, worship must not become an empty ritual that is an empty habit done by tradition. The Bible calls this vain worship. Each time we worship, it must be done in sincerity. Worship is an intimate experience, by which we declare our reverence for who He is, and what He has done. For the month of March, we will dedicate to the study of worship that we might take it to another level. Please join us as we study this powerful subject. It is my prayer that this series will cause many individuals to develop and grow into the worshippers that God desires us to become. Since worship is to God, for God, and about God, then we ought to search the mind of God with the express intent of conforming to His divine intentions.

P R A Y E R L I S T

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| Willie Adams | Adhonne Bryson | Gloria Drake | Larry Timberlake |
| Kathy Jackson | Sandreka Walker | Jean Peters | Charles & Charlotte Ham |
| Angela Alexander | Carolyn Bryson | Barbara Edgerton | Gayle Ward & Family |
| Michael Jenkins | Dean & Adrea Morgan | Akilah Petty | Pauline Harper |
| Joseph Alexander | Olajwan Burke | The Farley Family | Cheryl Washington |
| Andre & Mona Johnson | Doris Morgan | The Phillips Family | Denise West |
| Roslyn Anderson | William & Sharon Burke | James Fishback | Betty Hayes |
| Anita Banks | Willie Morgan | Doyle Fitzpatrick | The Whitfield Family |
| Keith King | Thomas & Opal Chase | Chris Reed | Wynn & Latesha Hill |
| The Bates Family | Jamillah Muhammad | Gary, Fitzgerald & | Stella Wilson |
| Ozie Leaster & Family | & Family | Phillip Folkes | Steve & Corine Wilson |
| The Little Family | The Campbell Family | Sid Reed | Kelvin Hodge |
| Randolph McKinney, Jr. | The Mumphrey Family | Sheree Reed | Corine Woods |
| Margie Brooks | Ruby & Chantale | Susan Gamble | Phyllis Holmes & |
| Panya Middleton | Murray | Lee Runnels & Family | Family |
| Marilyn Brooks | Tammie Nixon | Susan Grant | Betty Hunter |
| Sidney Mitchell | Flora Dansby | Juanita B. Smith | Hugh Hunter |
| Ruth Moneke | George Odom | Alicia Green | Verlence Hunter |
| Esther Brown | Lira Peay | Chantelle Swift | |
| Lorie Moore | Milton Perry | Anthony Grogan | |

To have your name removed from the bulletin prayer list, please contact Doris Morgan 404-346-1372 or e-mail her at dhmor30331@yahoo.com. To preserve space in the bulletin from time to time, names appearing for three consecutive weeks will be removed. You can resubmit the names again if you wish to do so.

MINISTRY / COMMITTEE / ZONES NEWS

Prayer Ministry – *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 Johnnie Stephens at 404-243-1139, Esther Brown at 404-696-3941, Queenie Vianer at 404-758-5449 (qvianen1@bellsouth.net), 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.*

WEST END ACTIVITIES & INFO

Fishing Trip Meeting Today – Those interested in attending the Brother's Fishing Trip to the Gulf Coast are asked to attend a 20-minute informative meeting this afternoon immediately after 10:45 worship service. Arrangements, dates, costs and travel plans will be the primary topics for the meeting. Please plan to attend. If you are unable to attend, see Jerome Philips and Dwayne McNeil for more information.

Baby Shower Set for March 10 - West End is invited to a baby shower to celebrate with J.P. and Mareba Collier, the birth of their beautiful baby girl, N'dira Denko. The shower will be held on Saturday, March 10 from 2-5 p.m. at their home at 2985 Dodson Street, Atlanta, GA. The gift registry is at Target. Please RSVP to Sierra Grigsby (678-469-5208) or Kesha Clinkscale (678-309-0463).

Marriage Enrichment Class Start Date Has Changed – The start date for the Dynamic Marriages class has been changed to Monday, March 12. If you are interested in taking this 8-week course held on Mondays at 7 p.m. at West End, contact facilitators Robert or Stella Wilson at 404-766-0774, or visit marriagesmade-stronger.com.

Marriage Retreat Set for August – All couples that have taken the Marriage enrichment course are invited to sign up for and attend the upcoming Marriage Retreat August 23-26 at the Winshape Conference Center in Mt. Berry, GA on the grounds of Berry College, near Rome, GA. The cost is \$430 per couple and includes all meals and lodging. Four scheduled payments of \$107.50 are due April 1 through July 1. Make all checks payable to West End and put "marriage retreat" in the memo. You don't want to miss this event. Couples participating last year had a great time. Join us as we celebrate our marriage blessings, and give thanks to God for them. Contact Robert and Stella Wilson at 404-766-0774 with any questions and to sign up. You can also sign up online at www.MarriagesMadeStronger.com.

Bible school reminder – On the last Sunday of each month all youth Bible school classes (high school through kindergarten) combine for special training and class lessons. All the males meet in the upper level of the educational building. The females meet both upstairs and downstairs. See Kevin Ferrari, Anderson Flewellen, or Sherron Burgess (sherronb@yahoo.com) with any questions.

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.

Reminder – **Building Usage Policy** - Any group, ministry, planning team, etc., using West End's facilities will no longer be able to serve, cook, distribute or store food items on any of West End's properties. This includes any special occasion events, food pantry items, wedding receptions, wedding rehearsals, youth activities, etc. Thank you for your cooperation.

AREA EVENTS

The **63rd Annual National Lectureship** will be held March 10-15 in Cincinnati, OH. Theme: *The Church of Christ: The True Center For Freedom*. Everyone attending must register for \$159, which includes all sessions and a banquet. Also included in this event is a Ladies Luncheon for \$40, and the 2007 Acappella Musical Explosion for \$12. More information is available by visiting www.cinti63nl.com.

The **2007 Crusade for Christ** will be June 24-28 in Tampa, FL. The Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk (800-325-3535) and the Westin Tampa Harbor Island Hotel (813-229-5000) will be providing accommodations for the event. For additional information contact Daniel Harrison at 773-723-8579; John H. Dansby at 318-221-8120; or Harold J. Rodriguez at 813-541-6523.

Straight Company Concert April 14 – Nationally renowned acappella recording group, Straight Company, will be in concert here in Atlanta on Saturday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will be held at the Southside High School Auditorium at 801 Glenwood Ave. SE, Atlanta, GA 30316. Tickets are \$12. Only 500 tickets are available. See Melvin Mitchell (404-304-8215) or Cynthia Mitchell (770-322-1072) to purchase tickets. Visit www.straightcompany.com for more information on the group.

Attention All New Members & New Converts

All those individuals and families placing membership with West End, or getting 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. 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), with any questions.

Dozens of Sermons Available on thewestender.com!

Baptisms

2/25 **Otis Smart**

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Atlanta, GA 30313
706-267-6963 DOB: 03/18/1978
gte851r@mail.gatech.edu

2/25 **Clarence M. Barkley**

945 Sylvan Circle #C-4
Atlanta, GA 30310
404-380-0539 DOB: 08/16/1972

2/25 **Moses Hall**

2720 Holley Court
East Point, GA 30344
404-684-1651

2/27 **James J. Sykes (Jabari)**

4832 Embarcardero Lane, #37-8
College Park, GA 30337
678-887-1917 DOB: 4/29/74
bigfootnep@hotmail.com

New Address

Willie & Barbara Hall

6000 Kahiti Trace
Union City, GA 30291
770-306-1931

Volunteers Needed

The toddler class is in need of three faithful volunteers to commit to assisting twice a month. If you are interested please contact Anderson Flewellen.

March Events Calendar Available

Don't forget to pick up your copy of the March Birthday and Events Calendar.

SICK & SHUT-IN

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

Annie Glaze – A.G. Rhodes Home at Wesley Woods, Room 320-A, 1819 Clifton Rd., NE, Atl., GA 30329. Barbara Edgerton is at home ill. Cheryl Washington is in Grady Hospital. Tasha Frazier is recovering from surgery. Christine Colley is home recovering from recent surgery. 404-812-0284. Robert Fuzell – 10413 Southhampton Ct., Jonesboro, GA 30238, 678-479-7942. Bro. Fuzell requests weekly visits on Sunday afternoons to his home. 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. Anrenea Johnson – 2025 Highpoint Trail, Atl., GA 30331. 404-344-1010.