

From the Minister's Desk



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The Way To Identify A True Christian

Jude is believed to be the brother of our Lord, and Savior Jesus Christ. He did not try to capitalize on this relationship, but merely calls himself a servant of Jesus Christ. "Jude, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to those who are called, sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ" (Jude 1).

In this short letter, Jude teaches us how to identify or, recognize a true Christian. He mentions that a Christian is called, sanctified, and preserved. Therefore a real, genuine Christian is called by the gospel of Christ (2 Thes. 2:14). When the word of Christ is preached, and a person obeys it; he has been called by God. This not an audible call, but a call through the preached word.

By responding to the call, he is sanctified. This means that this person is set apart for the glory, and honor of God. We are sanctified by truth, and faith (Jno. 17:17; Acts 26:18). This calls for a walk that is not contaminated by sin. This means that we must be doers of the word, and not merely hearers (James 1:22). A nominal Christian serves with his lips, and not with his life.

When we walk by faith, labor with love, and are patient with hope; we are preserved in Christ Jesus. "The LORD preserves all who love Him, but all the wicked He will destroy" (Psa. 145:20). To love Him is to keep His commandments (Jno. 14:15). Let your good works identify you as a genuine Christian, and a true disciple of Christ. Also, be faithful unto death, and a crown of life will be yours when life is over (Rev. 2:10).

Men's Encouragement Series

The Importance of a Father

This Saturday | 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

(Father's Day Weekend)

This session continues the momentum generated by the recent Men's Encouragement Day and the increasing awareness of the need to address issues faced by men today. Discussion sessions will follow each presentation.

TOPICS AND SPEAKERS:

The Lord Shall Take Me Up, Psalm 27:10 – J.P. Collier

The Effect of a Fatherless Society – Kevin Ferrari

Excerpts from a Focus on the Family broadcast

Please make plans to participate in this program which is designed to help brothers regardless of whether they are fathers. Breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 9 a.m.

West End's Vacation Bible School Next Week

JUNE 19-23 @ 7 P.M. NIGHTLY

This year's theme for VBS is

"Rekindling the Fire - Restoring the First Works."

It is a series of studies from the book of Revelation.

Orpheus Heyward will be our speaker for the adult class.

INVITE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND CO-WORKERS.

MINISTRY / COMMITTEE NEWS

The next **Seniors Committee** meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June 17 at 11 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

WEST END ACTIVITIES & INFO

Rickie and Melissa Clements will host a **church picnic** at their home located at 2471 Ebenezer Rd. in Conyers on Saturday, July 1 from 12 noon until 6 p.m. Contact Melissa at 770-785-943 for menu items. See upcoming flyer for more detailed information and directions.

West End Ladies Retreat will be held August 18-19 at the Fieldstone Resort & Conference Center in Hiawasee, GA. Please sign the sign up sheet on the greeters table in the foyer.

Marriage Enrichment Cruise to Bermuda – Make plans today to sail away Sunday, October 15 through Friday, October 20. Enjoy five nights of exciting fun, relaxation, and rejuvenation in exotic Bermuda. For more details, pick up the flyers in the foyer or see Stella Wilson or Yonita Rowell.

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

YOUTH AND SINGLES

West End parents are encouraged to take your children to the **Bouldercrest CofC Youth Gospel Meeting** today. There are activities today at 2 p.m. and tomorrow through Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The speaker is Chris Turner from the Southside CoC in Durham, NC. See David Bishop with any questions.

Six Flags Church of Christ Day (Update) - The annual Church of Christ Day at Six Flags, sponsored by Faulkner University, will be held on Friday, June 23. We want to purchase our tickets as a group for \$25 per person. The deadline to make your payment is next Sunday evening (June 18). Make your check payable to West End and put "Six Flags" in the memo. Give your payments to David or Lisa Bishop starting today. Anyone from West End can participate by paying \$35 at Six Flags on the day of the event. Parking is a separate fee from the ticket purchase. Come out with your family and enjoy the day. Your ticket price includes an all-you-can-eat lunch at a designated location. Season pass holders can pay \$10 at the event to be included in the all-you-can-eat lunch. Pick up a flyer from the foyer.

Start Youth Retreat Payments – Everyone is urged to begin making youth retreat partial or full payments starting today. The cost is \$75 per person. General and sponsorships for specific should also begin now. Make checks payable to West End and put "Youth Retreat" in the memo. Give payments to David Bishop, Lisa Bishop, or Denise West. July 27-30 will be here before you know it, so plan your funds accordingly and in advance!

Fashion Show/Talent Show Sign Up – Youth Retreat participants wishing to showcase their spiritual talents in poetry, song, performances or group skits; and those wanting to be in the fashion show, please sign the list located in the foyer.

Youth Retreat Waiting List – We are at capacity for the Youth Retreat. There is a Waiting List sign up sheet located in the foyer. Please sign this list to fill in any spots that become available. Spots will become available as we get closer to the actual date.

AREA EVENTS

The **2007 Crusade for Christ** will be June 24-28 in Tampa, FL. The Sheraton Tampa Riverwalk, 800-325-3535 and the Wyndham Harbor Island Hotel 800-996-3426 will be providing accommodations for the event. For additional information contact Daniel Harrison 773-723-8579, John H. Dansby 318-221-8120, or Harold J. Rodriguez 813-541-6523.

Jefferson Avenue CofC in Cookeville, TN will host Outreach University August 4-6. Outreach University is an intense weekend of study on the subject of evangelism, specifically designed for high school students. The keynote speaker will be Lonnie Jones. A complete list of classes and teachers can be seen at www.outreachuniversity.net. The cost is \$30 per person and housing will be provided by local congregations. The deadline for registration is July 1.

Youth Retreat Participants

The following is a listing of the tentative participants
for the 2006 Youth Retreat.

Adams, Savoya	Gayton, Jacob	Mendoza, Imani	George Wade -c
Alexander, Aria	Gayton, Jordan	Middleton, Nakeem	Lisa Bishop -c
Bates, Raven	Gibson, Abrian	Middleton, Parys	LaTanya Harris -c
Beach, Shevon	Grigsby, Parys	Mitchell, Blake	Jabari Sykes -c
Beach, Sheyana	Hall, Frederick	Mitchell, Joy	Josephine F. Hill -c
Bell, Tatiyana	Hall, Karon	Moore, Bernard	Michael Wells -c
Bishop, Jonathan	Hardy, Jabari	Moore, Brooke	David Bishop -c
Bishop, Larisa	Hardy, Nia	Patrick, Anitra	Dynita Hicks -c
Brown, Adrian	Harold, Deszjon	Powell, Gibron	Anitra Hicks -c
Brown, Kiana	Hicks, Janiece	Smith, Brianna	Cynthia Mitchell -c
Clark, Marcus	Hines, Langston	Smith, Dracilia	Keesha Chapman -c
Clements, Amari	Hines, Myers	Smith, Tiana	Danica Haislah -c
Clements, Amaris	Horton, Tyria	Smith, Trevon	Adenika Smith -c
Cooper, Joirdan	Jackson, Markeita	Spanks, Michael	Knox Bates -c
Daniels, Dejae	Jackson, Monique	Thomas, Brittney	Rickie Clements -c
Daniels, Devin	Jester, Justin	Thomas, Natassja	Dovie Hines -c
Davis, Justin	Johnson, Davyon	Walton, Leonard	Denise West -c
East, Kurtis	Johnson, Divinity	Walton, Tiffany	Joet Holsendolph -c
Flewellen, Aundrey	Johnson, Dyontre	Ward, Tremise	Dannie Gay -p
Flewellen, Kyle	Johnson, William	Wilburn, Briana	Linda Gay -p
Flewellen, Taylor	King, Emmanuel	Williams, Carmen	
Gay, Daniel	Luke, Kamron	Williams, Kristan	c - chaperone
Gay, Timothy	McKinney, Reginald	Witherspoon, Kizmet	p - parent

Prayer Ministry

If you have a desire for prayer or know someone who does, forward your request to dhmor30331@yahoo.com. You can also write out the prayer request and give to Doris Morgan at the end of morning worship service. You can also reach her at 404-346-1372. Those interested in working with this ministry should contact Doris Morgan.

Prayer List

Ruth Moneke
Phillip Folkes
Randolph McKinney
Louis Sykes
Doris H. Morgan
Betty Hayes
Christine Colley
Debra Harding
Ellen Smith

SICK & SHUT-IN

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

Willie Mae Morrow is in Crawford Long Hospital, Room 2115. 3060 Continental Colony Pkwy., Apt. 502, Atl., GA 30330. 404-344-9990. Elizabeth Perkins is also in Crawford Long, Room 5232. 1392 Maywood Rd., NW, # 31, Atl., GA 30331. 404-691-0268. Flora Mogaka Dansby has been released from the hospital and is currently residing with Harry and Mattie Williams. 1483 Hampstead Pl., Riverdale GA, 30296. Doris Griggs – Buckhead Health & Rehab Center, Room 205, 54 Peachtree Park Dr., Atl., GA 30309. 770-997-6282. Curtis Daniel is home recuperating. 2595 Bull Run Dr., Decatur, GA 30034. Carrie Henderson Jones – 1258 Windsor Pkwy. Atl., GA 30319. 404-255-1210. Elnora Bethel is home recuperating. 3700 Potomac Dr., East Point, GA 30344. Opal Chase – 490 Glenn St., #C272, Atl., GA 30012. Daneka Vickers, daughter of Mack and Sandra Freeman. Annie McArthur – 751 Fairburn Rd., SW #2212, Atl., GA, 30331. 404-699-2939. Ollie Burton – 2426 Corner Shoals Rd., Decatur, GA 30034. 404-212-7889. Annie Glaze c/o Wesley Woods Nursing Home, 1825 Clifton Rd., Apt. #517, Atl., GA 30329. 404-486-1191. Anrenea Johnson – 2025 Highpoint Trail, Atl., GA 30331. 404-344-1010.

BEREAVEMENT

The West End family mourns the passing of Woody Wyatt on this past Thursday. Funeral arrangements were not available at the time of printing.