

**From the Minister's Desk**



Orpheus Heyward

**Who Are You When Nobody is Looking?**

**W**e are certainly grateful for your presence this Lord's day. It is our prayer that the Word of God will bless you today that you might find yourself in the right relationship with God. Both of this morning's lessons are an important subject for the individual Christian. It is a subject that is very much necessary. As a matter of fact, these lessons call for individuals to be honest with themselves. Today's subject is "Who Are You When Nobody Is Looking".

When we are under the microscope of human eyes, we often put on a costume that we might hide our true selves. The truth of the matter is that each of us must confront the real person within us in order to experience true positive change. Many times we spend more time grooming our outward behaviors without truly changing our inward character. This is because we often are more concerned with what man thinks, rather than what God thinks. However, through the Word of God, I would like to provoke those of us who are here to take an introspective look at who we really are. The true you is not necessarily manifested when you are seen. The true you is often manifested when you are not seen. This is the me that must be confronted. Today we will look at the you that is within. The measure of our spiritual success is dependent on the measure of our character.

Have you ever asked questions like, "why am I still stuck in this place?" "Why can't I seem to move forward?" What has you trapped and handcuffed to the degree that you cannot make progress? Our first instinct is to blame someone other than ourselves. Let me suggest this morning that true change and progress begins with an inward revolution. Therefore we will look at the "you" that is within. That is the you that is manifested when nobody is looking. Come with me into the text that we might receive a word from the King.

**Youth Retreat Parents/Youth Meeting July 8**

A meeting for all those planning to attend the Youth Retreat will be held on Sunday, July 8 following the 10:45 worship service. If you are planning to send your children to the retreat, your attendance is specifically required. The meeting will be held in the main building auditorium. Have your payments or payment arrangements ready. See David Bishop with any questions.

**YOUTH RETREAT**

The following youth have signed up for the July 26-29 Youth Retreat at the YMCA Hargis Retreat in Chelsea, AL. Sign up continues through the end of June. After June or when capacity is reached, a waiting list will be implemented.

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| Kurtis East       | Jalen Smith*     | Parys Middleton  | Dejae Daniels      |
| Parys Grigsby     | Markeita Jackson | Dezsjon Harrold  | Raven Bates        |
| Curtis Hayes      | Jonathan Bishop  | Nakeem Middleton | Carmen Williams    |
| Termon Brown      | Larisa Bishop    | Victoria Glover  | Yvannie Earlington |
| Blake Mitchell    | Alkita Jackson   | Jordain Cooper   | Mahalia Earlington |
| Joy Mitchell      | Stasha Martin    | D'andre Brown    | Melanie Earlington |
| Ryan Clements*    | Zachery Anderson | Kris Williams    | Brianna Hall       |
| Taylor Flewellen  | Dracilia Smith   | Monique Jackson  | Davyon Johnson     |
| Kyle Flewellen    | Emmanuel King    | Frederick Hall   | Divinity Johnson   |
| Aundrey Flewellen | Justin Jester    | Aria Alexander   | Shon Johnson       |
| Jordan Williams   | Darius Glover    | Karon Moore      | Trey Johnson       |
| Brianna Smith     | Kendall Glover   | Briana Wilburn   |                    |
| Tiana Smith       | Tyria Horton     | Devon Daniels    |                    |

**Family & Youth Devotional Cancelled**

The June Family and Youth Devotional will be rescheduled. It will not be held today.

## MINISTRY / COMMITTEE / ZONES NEWS

**The Training & Development Committee** will meet in the Educational Building next Sunday, July 1, after 10:45 service. Registration is still open for the Financial Empowerment workshops. Please sign up in the foyer or contact Avery Pitts or Reggie Rowell with any questions.

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### WEST END ACTIVITIES & INFO

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**Greeters' Meeting Today** – There will be a meeting of all ladies working on the greeter's table today after 10:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to sign up greeter's for July and August schedule and discuss other matters to the greeter's table. Please contact Schyla Jackson for further details.

**West End Vacation Bible School** – All are requested to participate in West End's Annual Vacation Bible School. Join us as we examine the role of newspapers, magazines, TV, movies, music and technology and their impact on the daily lives of the young and old Christian. We will be discussing each media outlet from a biblical perspective. You will not want to miss this exciting week of hearing speakers from the media and entertainment fields, interactive learning and fellowship for all ages! Invite your family, friends, neighbors and enemies.

**Want to teach a VBS Class or Help in Another Capacity?** If you are interested in teaching or helping with Vacation Bible School please call or tell Sherron (Burgess) Smart or Anderson Flewellen right away.

**Church of Christ Day at Six Flags this friday** – The deadline to purchase discounted group tickets from West End has passed. However anyone from West End can still participate by paying \$35 at Six Flags on the day of the event and proceeding to the special ticket window at the park as long as the tickets last. Parking is included in the price as well as an admission voucher for another ticket on a different day. Come out with your family and enjoy the day. Your ticket price also includes an all-you-can-eat lunch at a designated location. Season pass holders can pay \$10 at the special ticket window to be included in the all you-can-eat lunch.

**Marriage Retreat** – All married couples – whether you have taken the Marriage Enrichment Course or not – are invited to sign up for and attend the upcoming Marriage Retreat August 23-26 at the Winshape Retreat Conference Center in Mt. Berry, GA. Contact Robert and Stella Wilson at 404-766-0774 with any questions and to sign up or visit [www.MarriagesMadeStronger.com](http://www.MarriagesMadeStronger.com).

**West End's Ladies Retreat** – West End's Ladies Retreat is in Hiawasse, GA, August 17-18. All Ladies are encouraged to attend. There will be horseback riding, a picnic on the lake, games and fun. Please see Deborah Degree or Barbara Hall for payments or for more information.

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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### YOUTH AND SINGLES

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**Youth Retreat Sign Up Continues** - Youth ages 7-18 should sign up today for the Annual Youth Retreat to be held July 26-29 at Hargis Retreat in Chelsea, AL. Payments are now being accepted by David Bishop. Sign up is for youth only – no chaperones at this time.

**Youth Retreat Sponsorships and You** – Thanks to those that have already provided sponsorships! There are numerous ways to provide sponsorships for the \$90 fees for the youth retreat. 1.) You may offer to provide a full or partial sponsorship for a specific youth. Please see the parent of the youth you wish to sponsor. 2.) A youth may approach you about sponsoring them for the retreat – coordinate with parent. 3.) You may provide funds to a general pool of funds to be distributed to those needing assistance to make up for balances due towards the deadline. Give those funds to David Bishop. Put "youth retreat" in the memo if you are writing a check. Check donations are tax deductible.

**Youth Jamboree '07** – West End is participating in an area-wide Youth Jamboree '07 hosted by the Bouldercrest CofC. This event is for 7th to 12th graders only, and will be held on Sunday, July 15 at the Clayton County International Park in Jonesboro, GA (just off Highway 138). There will be a worship service at the park starting at 11:30 a.m. followed by food, fellowship and games up to 4 p.m. This event does not include any swimming or water activities. If you are interested in attending, please sign the list located in the foyer. See David Bishop with any questions.

**T The Sims Ave. CofC** hosts their **Gospel Meeting** today through Thursday. Worship service starts at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served, followed by afternoon worship at 2 p.m., and group singing at 2:45 p.m. Meetings continue nightly at 7:30 p.m. The speakers for the week are Martel Davis of Chattanooga, TN; Benjamin Slocum of Union City, GA; Roland Cumbee of Augusta, GA; Reuben Walker of Madison, GA; and Rush Wyatt of Newnan, GA.

**A Gospel Meeting/Revival** will be held at the **CofC at Bouldercrest**, July 22-25 (Sun-Wed). The guest speaker is Jerry Houston, minister of the East Henrietta Rd. CofC in Rochester, New York.

**The Churches of Christ Crusade** will air on **National Cable Television INSP**, June 26-29 at 1 a.m. Jack Evans, Sr. will be the speaker. Please watch this evangelist event and tell others.

## Wesley Brown to Speak at SwCC Event

The Atlanta Area Chapter of the Southwestern Christian College Alumni Association invites everyone to the SwCC Alumni and Friends Mixer on Friday, June 29, at 7 p.m. at the Moreland Avenue Church of Christ located at 671 Moreland Ave., Atlanta, GA. SwCC Alumnus, Wesley Brown, will provide words of inspiration in the brief devotional preceding the evening's spaghetti dinner. RSVP's are encouraged, but not required. Please call 404-731-2122 or email deltason@gmail.com by Wednesday, June 27, if you know that you plan to attend. The event is free.



**Pick up your copy of the Notes from the Elders from the Greeter's table.**

*As you cheerfully give as you prosper this Lord's Day – please be prepared with the exact amount you have determined to contribute. Our ushers are unable to “make change” during the collection or afterwards. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.*

## Help Promote Vacation Bible School

Pick up a large handful of the colorful VBS postcards from the Greeter's Table and hand them out to everyone, mail them out, leave at places you visit throughout the metro Atlanta area.

## SICK & SHUT-IN

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

Joyce Mapp is at home ill. 3371 Hyland Dr., Decatur, GA 30032. 678-668-4562. 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. Robert Fuzell – 10413 Southhampton Ct., Jonesboro, GA 30238, 678-479-7942. 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.

## BEREAVEMENT

West Ender, Carolyn Watkins (Zone 4), and her family mourn the recent passing of her mother. Send condolences and calls to Carolyn and family at 6874 Fireside Lane, College Park, GA 30349; 770-969-2545.