

Back to School & Still with Christ

The school year has officially begun for many of you – and those still out will start tomorrow or later this week. For the family here at West End, the school year brings its own set of fun, challenges, and quite frankly – stress. Students have homework, reading assignments, personality clashes with teachers, sports and tests. Parents have... homework assistance, reading assignments, personality clashes with teachers, and stress.

Now, what should not be missing for our families this school year is fading away from Bible classes, worship services and West End functions and activities. Parents, you are the main individuals that are responsible for keeping your children and homes on the proper spiritual track.

When the Word of the Lord and the Gospel is preached, it produces results! “So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it (Isaiah 55:11). Through powerful pulpit preaching, home teaching, and other studies, we’ve been blessed with a tremendous number of baptisms in 2008, and we are sure to see many, many more. In this number of new converts are plenty of West End’s youth. These are youth that you know – youth that are in your homes – youth that are a part of West End’s family.

When stresses of the school year come, let us all make sure we don’t get so busy or bogged down with work that we neglect services and Bible classes. Parents, stay on top of your children’s assignments, homework and projects. If you know what is due when, you can plan out when to start something and not be in “last minute” mode. That’s when we start to compromise our spiritual obligations. Some will get suspended, get in fights, and develop spiritually unhealthy relationships. When those times come, understand the devil is a roaring lion seeking to devour your spirit, time and attitude. Be sober, be vigilant and prayerful and success is yours!

– D. Bishop

Moreland Avenue Youth Day Next Sunday

Pick up a flyer today from the foyer. West End is participating in Youth Day at the Moreland Ave. Church of Christ (671 Moreland Ave., Atlanta 30316). West End’s own Brian Clark is the guest speaker and the Golden Voices and our Youth Chorus will perform. Moreland Ave. has also requested 7-8 of our young men to work in the worship services. A delicious lunch will also be served. Activities start at 9:15 a.m. Since Moreland is so close to West End, the Youth Program is asking parents, chaperones and youth to transport their children directly to Moreland Ave. or carpool there on Sunday, August 17. See David Bishop with any questions.

P R A Y E R L I S T

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.

The Jackson Family
Larry & Judy Timberlake
The Anderson Family
Tarvis Smith
Lora Jackson
The Babino Family

Louise Sykes
Octavis Royals & Family
Olympia Billings
George Odom
Barbara Whitfield
Steve Wilson

Daryll Alexander
Jennifer Campbell
Negsti Mehari
The Mackay Family

WEST END ACTIVITIES & INFO

Baptismal Certificates – If you were recently baptized and have not received your Baptismal Certificate, please see Sony Heyward.

The **Membership to Discipleship** group will hold its last meeting on August 12. See J.P. Collier or Dorothy Reed with any questions.

SENIORS

The **2008 Senior Fishing Trip** to Lake Eufaula, AL is set for Saturday, August 23. More details coming soon. See Adam McGill or Verlence Hunter to sign up.

YOUTH AND SINGLES

Youth Chorus Practice TODAY at 3 p.m. – West End's Youth Chorus for those specific youth already identified, will practice TODAY starting at 3 p.m. Please have your child here on time. Practice ends at 5:30 p.m. See La Tanya Harris, Kesha Overton, or David Bishop with any questions.

Youth Hospital Visitation – The 7-8 grade girls Bible class is inviting all youth to take a trip with them to Scottish Rite at Eggleston on August 24. The class is asking that West Enders participate by writing letters of encouragement to the child patients. Your letters will be placed in the decorated box in the foyer beginning today.

AREA EVENTS

United Christian Women of the Churches of Christ Fall Conference

The United Christian Women of the Churches of Christ presents its **5th Fall Conference, September 26-28, at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel Atlanta Airport. The registration fee is \$130, and registration forms and flyers are available in the foyer. See West Enders, Dorothy Griffin (404-696-5113) or Sheryl Holland with any questions.**

Southside CofC in Durham, NC hosts the **Southeastern Regional Lecturship** October 6-9 at the Durham Marriott at the Civic Center. The theme is "A Responding Church for a Reaching World." Register at www.sside.org or call 919-688-3535. The registration deadline is September 19.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

West End's Fall Gospel Revival September 14-17

The time for our Fall Gospel Meeting is quickly approaching. The guest speaker will be Cornelius Heyward, minister of the Far Rockaway Church of Christ in Brooklyn, NY. The theme is "The Faith Once Delivered To The Saints." On Sunday, September 14, there will be combined Bible study at 9 a.m. and one morning worship at 10 a.m. followed by an afternoon service at 3 p.m. There will be no 6 p.m. services. The Monday through Wednesday schedule will include group singing from 7 - 7:25 p.m. and preaching at 7:30 p.m.

The Better Late Than Never School Supplies Drive

With school having started for some and starting this week for many others, West Enders are asked to continue to purchase and donate school supplies. Items most needed are back packs, pens, pencils, spiral 3- and 5-subject notebooks, lunch boxes, loose leaf paper, crayons, colored pencils, glue sticks, composition notebooks, 3 x 5 index cards in small packs, hand-held pencil sharpeners, scotch tape, childrens scissors, and colored thin markers. Drop these items in the receptacle in the foyer. **This will be the last for donations.** Parents and youth please see David Bishop with a written list of what you need for distribution. Please take nothing from the receptacle yourselves.

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 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. Contact elder, I. David Logan (404-755-1016) with any questions about the orientation class. 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) or any elder or deacon with any questions.

Baptisms

8/6 - Larisa Bishop (youth) – Fairburn

Bulletin Announcements

If you want an announcement in the Sunday bulletin, your information must be emailed by noon on Monday to: announcements@thewestender.com. E-mailing is the preferred method. Written or telephoned announcements should be directed to Tawania Thigpen (678-270-8992), Cynthia (CJ) Mitchell (770-322-1072) or David Bishop (770-306-7462). Please plan in advance so your information won't be left out.

August Youth Activities

August 17 (next Sunday)

Youth Day at Moreland Avenue

August 24

Junior High Girls Class
Service Project

August 31

5-12 Grade Youth Outing to the
Snellville Church of Christ

August 31

Youth Devotional at 4 p.m. for
entire congregation

SICK & SHUT-IN

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

New Convert, Frederick Hudson, is in Crawford Long Hospital, Room 4139. Ossie Porter (mother of Bill Moore) - A.G. Rhodes Homes, 350 Boulevard, SE., A Wing, Room 102, Atlanta, GA 30312. Willie Babino – 717 Tomahawk Pl., Austell, GA. 30168. 770-726-9299. John White – 359 Westlake Ave. Apt. 311, Atl., GA 30311. 404-406-7427. Corene Woods – A.G. Rhodes Nursing Home, 350 Boulevard, SE, Garden Wing, Room 11, Atl., GA 30312. 404-688-6731. Jessie Davis – Buckhead Health & Rehabilitation, 54 Peachtree Park Dr., NE, Room 407, Atl., GA 30309. Viola Tookes – 396 Thaxton Dr., Atl., GA 30315. 404-627-9360. Athaniel Hill & Julliette Hill – 2276 Leslie Brook Dr., Decatur, GA. 404-286-1038. 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 Morrow – 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.