
West End Fall Gospel Meeting
September 8-13

The guest speaker for this event will be W.F. Washington of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. The meeting will begin with a gospel concert at West End on Saturday, September 8. Mark your calendars so you can be in attendance.

- 8:00 a.m. To Be Announced
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- 10:45 a.m. To Be Announced
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- 6:00 p.m. To Be Announced
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■ Sunday

- 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

■ Wednesday

- 10:00 a.m. Adult class in educational building
- 7:30 p.m. Bible classes for all ages

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

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Bringing **Everybody**
Into the **Same Body**
by the **Gospel** *of* **Jesus Christ**
Ephesians 3:6

From the Minister's Desk



Orpheus Heyward

As Long As I Worship God . . .

Isn't worshipping God the pinnacle of human meaning and experience? As long as I praise, worship, and recognize God's glory, doesn't this indicate that I've discovered the essence of a meaningful relationship with God?

Isn't this all that really matters? Let's discover what God has revealed about worshipping Him.

The king had seen his army achieve total victory over the enemy. Enthusiasm and confidence filled the air as the jubilant soldiers drove the best of the sheep and the cattle back toward Israel. Soon the smoke from the altar would darken the sky as the king and the people would honor God in celebrating His victory. Following the multitude of sacrifices to God, the people would then go home feeling confident of their relationship with God.

The story might have ended with a king going to bed confident that everything was just great between himself and God. After all, it feels great to praise God, especially after a victory. Saul's attitude appears to have been "as long as I worship God that makes everything OK."

But Saul's day ended in tears not joy. To paraphrase Samuel, "to obey is more important than worship." Just because Saul and the people might have felt great worshipping God and celebrating His victory, that didn't necessarily mean that God was pleased with them. Although God had already revealed in the law that human obedience precedes acceptable worship. Saul insisted on learning Leviticus 26:14,31 the hard way.

During the 8th century B.C., God told the Israelites to essentially stop worshipping Him. He would not listen to their prayers. He couldn't stand the noise of their praises anymore. Isaiah 1:10-17; Amos 5:21-23 Why? Because the people were honoring God without first being who they were supposed to be as His people. The people had not sacrificed themselves, they were selfish, greedy and had no concern about justice and mercy.

Similarly, the Psalmists confesses his own awareness that God would accept an animal sacrifice only after he first had offered the sacrifice of his broken and contrite heart. Psalms 51:16-19 Although we have been made for His glory, we won't fulfill our purpose in worshipping God until we first visit the altar ourselves and have become a living sacrifice. Romans 12:1

Hebrews 13:28 describes the worshiper whom God accepts. He or she is one who approaches God with reverence and awe. Among other things, these qualities describe the obedience of one's submissive spirit, not that spirit of arrogance, pride or rebellion which insists on doing things my way. Jesus taught that "the kind of worshipers the Father seeks" are those who "worship in spirit and in truth." John 4:23, 24 Acceptable worship, therefore, is not merely a state of "feeling good praising God." The worship God desires is built upon what is true as one's spirit acknowledges, confesses and praises our awesome Creator. With transformed minds, as new creatures in Christ, let us lift up holy hands in prayer and let's joyfully praise our wonderful Creator. 1 Timothy 2:8 -- copied

Congregational Meeting Next Sunday

There will be Quarterly Congregational Meeting NEXT SUNDAY, August 12 to update everyone on our efforts where we communicated our short- and long-term goals. The meeting will be held following the 10:45 worship services. Important zone ministry information will also be discussed. Make plans to be in attendance.

Help the lost souls you know find the Truth

Take part in West End's Congregational Canvassing and Letter Writing Campaign. Pick up a flyer from the table in the foyer, and fill it out with the names and addresses of up to 10 of your friends, family members and/or co-workers that you'd like to invite to our Fall Gospel Meeting. A paperless form is also available to fill out electronically on West End's web site. Start turning in those names TODAY!

MINISTRY / COMMITTEE / ZONES NEWS

T **The Training & Development Committee** will meet **TODAY** after 10:45 worship service in the educational building. New members are welcome.

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

Scholarship – The Sis. Yvette Palmore Casey Memorial Scholarship Fund (\$500) is available for those meeting the following qualifications: African American descent, an established sophomore or higher business major accepted into a school of business, enrolled at a black college or university, GPA of 2.8, have not already attained a bachelor's degree. See West Ender Jennifer Jones or send an inquiry to jljones@aol.com. The deadline is August 31.

Annual Health Fair Preparation - All healthcare, wellness, and fitness professionals interested in participating in the 2007 Health Fair on September 29, should sign up in the foyer or contact Robin Knox (404-484-4528) or Michael Wells (404-277-3430).

Sorry, No Change – 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.

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.

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.

AREA EVENTS

The Sisters of the **Callahan Street CofC** in Rome, GA invites ladies to their **Ladies' Day** this Saturday at 9 a.m. Ophelia Bray of the Simpson St. CofC, Venerra Lewis and Patty Burney of the Callahan CofC will speak on the theme "That We All May Be One".

The Ladies of **Southside CofC** in Valdosta, GA invite all to their **Ladies' Day** on Saturday, August 18 at 8 a.m. Billie Hill and Tonya Pointer will speak on the theme "Roses Among Thorns".

The **Hillcrest CofC** will host the **2007 Evangelism Seminar & Gospel Meeting** beginning August 25. An intensive training seminar will begin at 9 am on August 25. Worship will be at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on August 26. Charlie McClendon from Northside CofC, Jacksonville, FL will be the guest speaker August 27-29.

YOUTH AND SINGLES

The next West End Singles Bible Study will be held this Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the home of William and Gayron Johnson. The speaker is Orpheus Heyward. Please see Albert Hines or LaTanya Harris with any questions.

Quarterly Teachers Meeting – August 11

Plan now to attend on Saturday, August 11, from 9:30 am to 11:30 am, in the educational building. *Important changes* in the format of the children's Bible classes that will start in September will be announced. *New teachers will be needed for two new classes.* The Embury Hills congregation will also make a special presentation about their successful Bible Class program. All teachers should plan to attend. Contact Anderson Flewellen or Kevin Ferrari for more details.

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

7/8 - **Curtis Livingston**
5635 Union Point South
Union City, GA
404-668-0865

7/22 - **Gail Smith**
3725 Princeton Lake Pkwy.
Atlanta, GA 30331
404-346-0171

7/22 - **Tomeka Thompson**
10207 Peachtree Creek Cir.
Atlanta, GA 30341
704-287-5879

7/22 - **Latonya B. Buford**
5712 Rockingwood Dr.
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678-266-2852 DOB: 9/25/67
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7/30 - **Lena Armour**
404-244-9801
armourlena@yahoo.com
DOB: 10-20-84

7/30 - **Matthew (Guy) Stewart**
71 Careret Place
Decatur, GA 30032
404-437-3560 DOB: 6/16/63

Placed Membership

7/15 - **Mathew & Nicole Gardner**
1425 Blair Bridge Rd., Apt. 720
Austell, GA 30168
770-780-5992

7/21 - **Tarra Ager**
P.O. Box 182
Ellenwood, GA 30294
404-610-7952

7/21 - **Deatra Bowden**
6136 Hillandale Dr., Apt. 215
Lithonia, GA 30058
770-593-9313

7/22 - **Maurice Williams**
202 Sumerwind Dr.
Jonesboro, GA 30236
678-284-3440

7/22 - **Derronica Dukes**
1482 Hampton View Ct.
Marietta, GA 30008
770-402-8529

Reminder

The Second Annual Leadership Retreat is
October 19-20 at Stone Mountain Park for
all elders and deacons.

SICK & SHUT-IN

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

Lorie Moore is currently at the Briarcliff Haven Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center, 1000 Briarcliff Rd., Atlanta, GA 30306, 404-875-6456. The family's home address is 388 Poplar Chase Ct., Ellenwood, GA 30294. Thomas Chase is in Grady Hospital, Section 6B, Room 44, Bed 2. He has had major surgery. You can see reach Opal Chase at 1503 Temple Ave., Apt. 122, College Park, GA 30337. 404-763-9852. Anita Banks is in Emory Hospital, Room G350. Direct calls to 404-712-2000. 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.