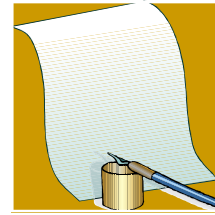


Pastor's Page



Sandy Valley Baptist Church
1124 S. Houston Lake Rd.
Warner Robins, GA 31088
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Return Service Requested

CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 7

- 5:30 pm Family Night Supper
- 6:30 pm Bible Study & Prayer, Youth On Mission, Kids of the Kingdom
- 7:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 11

- 9:15 am Bible Study
- 10:30 am Morning Worship, Children's Church & KIDMO
- 5:00 pm "Daniel" Class
- 5:30 pm Discipleship Training
- 6:30 pm Evening Worship

Monday, October 12

Columbus Day-Office Closed

- 10:00 am Sr. Saints Fair Trip
- 7:00 pm SOS Meeting at Cathie Little's home, 1621 S Houston Lake Rd. in Kathleen



We need lots of individually-wrapped candy, plus cakes, pies, brownies, cookies and other baked goods for the Fall Festival. See or call (987-5324) Ann Strickland for more information.

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Romans 12:1 is a verse we often look at in association with sacrifice, service and commitment. There we find these words:

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

"In view of God's mercy" one translation says, we should present our bodies as a living sacrifice. People, that is commitment!

I heard a story a few days ago about commitment. It went something like this: A pastor was doing a 50th Wedding Anniversary vow-renewal service for an elderly couple. When alone with the husband, the pastor quietly and discreetly asked: "May I ask, just how do you make it for 50 years and still appear to be so happy?" The husband answered that it began on their honeymoon. "You see," he said, "we took a mule ride deep down into the floor of the Grand Canyon. Suddenly, my wife's mule stumbled. I heard her whisper softly in his ear, 'That's once!'

As we went along he stumbled a second time, to which she whispered 'That's twice.' Then he stumbled a third time. She immediately pulled out a pistol and shot him dead. I spoke up immediately and said 'That's one of the most cruel things I've ever seen'. Then she whispered softly, 'That's once'. You see, after that we've lived happily ever after".

Of course, that's not true commitment but rather out and out fear! God has totally committed Himself to us. He created us, sustains us, provides for us, and has redeemed us. He promises us eternity with Him in heaven!

My question is this: If He has so committed Himself to you, why haven't you (if you haven't) done the same for Him? Of course, I believe it all begins with attending the church of your choice with God's people. We'll talk more later about this thing called commitment!

Yours In Christ,

Bro. Phil

Mark 10:45

Sunday School Report

October 4, 2009

Record (March 29, 1998)	210
Members Enrolled	296
Total Present	108
Previous Week's Attendance	109

Service Opportunities

Deacon of the Week for October 11
Bro. Terry Simpson
Deacon of the Week for October 18
Bro. Leon Tompkins

Preschool Volunteers

Sunday, October 11

AM — Donna Harrison

PM — Cathie Little

Sunday, October 18

AM — Jennifer Edwards

PM — Tammy Howard



Upper Room Schedule:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>NAME</u>
9-30	PM	Milton Culpepper
10-11	AM	Loretta Tidwell
10-11	PM	Leon Tompkins
10-14	PM	Carolyn Walters

G.R.O.W. G.R.O.W. Outreach "R" Team will not meet on Monday, October 12 because of the Columbus Day Holiday. The "O" Team will meet at their regularly-scheduled time next Monday night at 6:30 pm.



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

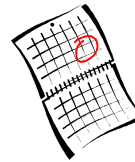
Reservations required!

Sign up on the reservation sheet in the foyer or call the office by 12 noon on the Monday before. Meals are served from 5:30-6:15 p.m. Prices are \$4 per adult and \$2 per child (6th grade and under). **Menu for October 14: Lemon Pepper Chicken, Green Beans, Rice, Bread & Dessert**



Senior Saints Fair Trip

The Senior Saints are planning a trip to the **Georgia National Fair** on October 12. Sign up in the foyer if you plan to attend.



YOUTH CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

We are now taking pre-orders in the Foyer for 2010 Wall Calendars. They are \$8 each and will be delivered in time for Christmas gift-giving.

All youth in Grades 7-12 are invited to come along with us



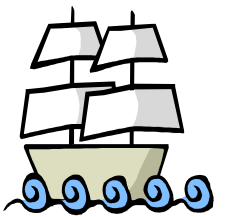
on Wednesday, **October 14th**, as we journey together to Houston County High School to join other students for a youth-led time of sharing testimonies, being challenged to read God's Word, and coming to faith in Jesus Christ through an event called "Fields of Faith". We will leave the church at 6:30 pm and will return at approximately 8:30 pm. See Ms. Lynette for further details!



SOS The October meeting of SOS will be held on **Monday, October 12, 7 pm**, at the home of **Cathie Little**. Cathie's address is 1621 S. Houston Lake Rd. in Kathleen.



The Church Office **will be closed on Monday, October 12** in observance of **Columbus Day**.



Devotions for October 12-17
"It Is Finished!"

Monday:	<i>Matthew 26:17-25</i>
Tuesday:	<i>Matthew 26:26-30</i>
Wednesday:	<i>Matthew 26:31-35</i>
Thursday:	<i>Matthew 26:69-75</i>
Friday:	<i>John 21:15-19</i>
Saturday:	<i>John 19:30</i>