

Sunday School Report

September 4, 2011

Record (March 29, 1998)	210
Members Enrolled	296
Total Present	98
Previous Week's Attendance	108

Service Opportunities

Deacon of the Week for September 11
Bro. Ted Blackmon
 Deacon of the Week for September 18
Bro. Harold Hambrick

Upper Room Schedule:

DATE	TIME	NAME
9-7	PM	Dianne Repasz
9-11	AM	Mary Deal
9-11	PM	Peggy Phillips
9-14	PM	Susie Skeen

Nursery Volunteers:

Sunday, September 11

AM-Margie Grimsley
 PM-Michelle Williams

Sunday, September 18

AM—Faye Jenrette
 PM—Cathie Little

WE HAVE FUN!



G.R.O.W.

GROW Outreach Team
 "R" meets Monday,
 September 12th at
 6:30 p.m.



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

Reservations required!



Sign up on the reservation sheet in the foyer or call the church office. 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 September 14:

Spaghetti, Meat Sauce, Salad Bar, Bread, Dessert, Ice Cream



**Conference:
 September 14
 6:30 p.m.**

Remember to pray for our RA's as they make their annual trek to Stone Mountain!



Devotions for September 12-17
**"The Body of Christ
 Preparing for Revival"**

- Monday: Hebrews 10:17-25
- Tuesday: 1 John 5:9-13
- Wednesday: Ephesians 4:1-4
Romans 5:1-2
- Thursday: John 13:34-35; 15:12-13
- Friday: John 14:16-18
- Saturday: 2 Corinthians 1:3-4



*Cottage Prayer Meetings:
 September 26-30*

*Revival with
 Kenny Evans:
 October 2-5*

*SOS Meeting: Location TBA
 September 12th
 6:30 p.m.*



**Dog Wash-A-Thon
 September 17th
 Help Support Our Youth!**



Rescue The Perishing
 2 Peter 3:9 says: "God is not willing that any should perish..." We are told that 7.1 million in Georgia are lost, perishing, and without Christ! But we can help! Our goal is \$1,200.00 to go to help state missions in Georgia. Will you help? Victory Day for us is September 11. As we remember 9/11, why not also exceed our goal on Victory Day?

CALENDAR

Wednesday, September 7

- 5:30 pm Family Night Supper
6:30 pm Bible Study & Prayer, Youth
Live Out Loud, Kids of the
Kingdom
7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice

Friday, September 9

- 6-9 pm Parent's Night Out

Saturday, September 10

- 7:00 pm The Cleghorns in concert

Sunday, September 11

- 9:15 am Bible Study
10:30 am Worship Service, Children's
Church, Kidmo (Grades 1-5)
4:30 pm Youth Visitation; Deacon's
Meeting
5:30 pm Discipleship Training, Mission
Friends (ages 4-5), RA's
(grades 1-6)
5:45 pm Youth C4
6:30 pm Evening Worship, Bible Stories
(ages 4-7)

Monday, September 12

- 6:30 pm GROW Team "R"; SOS
Meeting

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October 2-5 we will have a series of five meetings referred to as revival, spiritual renewal, spiritual refreshing, etc. Why do we have these? Because many times we become stale and repetitious in our worship and commitment. Many times we find ourselves merely going through the motions. But more times than not, I believe we are guilty of not putting Jesus first on our list of priorities. At that time, our focus is on other things. Really and truly, those "things" become our object of worship!

In World Vision magazine John Robb writes:

Seven years ago, a giant tree stood on the banks of the Awash River, in an arid valley about two hours' drive southeast of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. It had stood there for generations, seemingly eternal.

For years, the people who lived in the surrounding district had suffered through famines...In their suffering, the people looked to the tree for help. Believing a spirit gave it divine powers, they worshipped the towering giant. Adults would kiss the great trunk when they passed by, and they spoke of the tree in hushed, reverential tones. Children said, "This tree saved us."

In 1989, World Vision began a development project there, including an irrigation system...But even as they labored to build the system, the great tree stood like a forbidding sentinel of the old order, presiding over the community, enslaving the people through fear. For spirits need to be propitiated with animal sacrifices and strict observance of taboos.

When World Vision workers saw how the villagers worshipped the tree, they knew it was an idolatrous barrier to the entrance of Christ's kingdom and transformation of the community.

One morning as the staff prayed together, one of Jesus' promises struck them: "If you have faith, you can say to this tree, 'Be taken up and removed' ... and it will obey you." In faith they began to pray that God would bring down the menacing goliath.

Soon the whole community knew the Christians were praying about the tree. Six months later, the tree began to dry up, its leafy foliage disappeared, and finally it collapsed like a stricken giant into the river.

The people of the community were astonished, proclaiming, "Your God has done this! Your God has dried up the tree!" In the days and weeks afterwards, approximately 100 members of the community received Jesus Christ because they saw his power displayed in answer to the Christians' prayers.

I fully believe *all* of us could use some type of spiritual renewal. What must I do, you ask?

- Pray for Kenny Evans as he leads us.
- Pray for yourself.
- Pray for our church members, active and inactive.
- Pray for the lost.
- Pray for those you will commit to inviting.
- Commit to being present to support our church.
- Commit to inviting those you know who are lost or unchurched.

In short, pray, pray, pray, commit, commit, commit! Also, pray to have the "goliaths" removed from your worship!

Yours In Christ,

Bro. Phil

Mark 10:45