

Central Church of Christ

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May 14, 2017

2017 Theme: "Making Disciples"

May: Devoted to...

"Come After; Deny Self; Take Up Cross & Follow"

Matthew 10:37-39/Luke 9:18-26

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For Eternity!

I had heard of baptism...it was in water and my sins would be washed away. I knew that Jesus death, burial and resurrection was connected to it. I knew the preacher raised his right hand while he was saying some baptism words. But I didn't know the commitment I was making.

I had heard about baptism from my mom, probably. And I learned from my grandmother, Mammy Jordan who would ask me about being baptized. I heard a few sermons along the way. But, I had no Bible studies about it, no correspondence courses and no tracts, I heard no T.V. preachers. Our family did not go to church regularly. Seems like I could count on both hands the number of times that mom and I attended church. So my knowledge about baptism was not from multiple sermons, or from church bulletins lying around the house to see, nor from seeing lots baptisms take place nor from family discussions about religion. **So how did I know? I'm not sure.**

We did not have frequent discussions at home about Bible things when I was growing up, but occasionally I heard mom say, "Baptism for the remission of sins". I did hear discussions about dad getting drunk, money concerns like "money doesn't grow on trees", politics with favorable comments about Barry Goldwater, derogatory comments about other radical groups, but not much about Jesus, Heaven, church, Bible or sin.

On the other hand I did see my grandmother, Mammy Jordan, read her Bible by a dim table lamp that was next to the 1954 model General Electric AM radio. She lived across the R/R track from our house in Fruitland, TN. I walked to her old Railroad house to draw well water for her and take out her slop jar (chamber pot) a couple of times a week. I have those memories, I have her Bible, and I have her AM radio and her long, slender, metal well bucket. But do I have her faith? Hope so, or my own version of *the* Faith, at least.

It was 50 years ago that I was baptized into Christ in the baptistery of the Humboldt church of Christ building, Humboldt, Tennessee. I was 13. I was scared. Church stuff was kind of confusing to me.

But I was not confused about needing to be baptized. I "came forward" at the end of the sermon that Sunday morning and sat on the front pew of the recently built, 1967 – 68, church building. I was by myself up there. Then, someone took me behind the pulpit to the baptistery clothes changing area. I was baptized into Christ that summer Sunday morning by Doug Parsons. That was 50 years ago, and it was the best decision I've ever made. That one decision is the basis for every other decision I make. I want to encourage you, if you have not given your life to Jesus, that you do that as soon as you can. It is worth it. **Going down into Jesus only takes a moment, but it will last a life time...really, an eternity.**

-Ross Jordan

GRADUATION CELEBRATION!!!

Sunday, May 21st- 5:00 p.m.

Make plans to be part of this special day. The church will provide the meats, and everyone will be asked to bring side dishes, dessert and drinks. There is a sign-up sheet in foyer on Graduation Table, so we can plan for the meat. We hope you plan to stay for this special time. During this special time, please keep these families in your prayers.



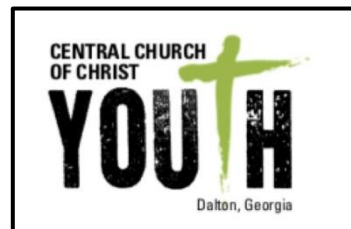
Our graduates this year are:

**Anna Grace Bingham, Andrew Johnston, Jackie Perez,
Espir Pirir, Neida Sanchez & Allyson Stanley**



Calendar Correction

Grow-n-Glow Graduation -Wednesday, May 24th



Upcoming Youth Events:

- **Miracle League Buddies: Saturday, 5/20**
- **Lock-in @Building 5/26 –Adults Needed**
- **Inspire Camp @ Faulkner 6/3-6/8**
Cost \$85.00 paid by 5/21/17
- **Camp Wetoga: 6/11-6/16**
- **Church of Christ Day @ Six Flags 6/23**
Cost \$42.00

**MORNING WORSHIP ASSEMBLY
May 14, 2017**

**“BY DIVINE DESIGN: Jesus Had a Mother!”
Ephesians 6:1-3**

Welcome

- Song #647**– *The Love of God (v.1&4)* – Gene Threet
Song #400– *Living by Faith (v.1&3)* – Gene Threet
Song #961–*On Bended Knee* – John Cox

Prayer: Keith Rollins

Song #842–*A Common Love* – John Cox

Communion Prayer – Ross Jordan

Communion & Contribution Leaders

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| 1. Gary Duke | 5. Bob Lee |
| 2. Donald Kittle | 6. Toney Coley |
| 3. Kevin Stanley | 7. Kelly Cherry |
| 4. Dean Baker | 8. Jim Cook |

Song #761– *Where He Leads, I'll follow (v.1-3)* – Gene Threet
 (Children Dismissed to Wee Worship)

Scripture Reading – Walter Brock

Sermon – Steve Griggs

Invitation Song #763– *Why Keep Jesus Waiting? (1,2&4)* –
Gene Threet

Shepherds' Moment, Closing Prayer – Gary Duke

May Count on Sundays: Clint Russell & Greg Smith
May Wednesday Night Count: Richard Milburn

Nursery Attendants: *Jane King & Cyndi King*



NEW ADDRESS

Gladys Rogers
 Dalton Place, 1300 W. Waugh St.,
 Room 118, Dalton, GA 30720

Kenneth Crow
 Chatsworth Nursing Home, 102 Hospital Dr.
 Room 310-A, Chatsworth, GA 30705

**LADS TO LEADERS
 RECOGNITION DAY!
 SUNDAY, MAY 28TH
 More Details to Follow**



TIMES & ATTENDANCE

Week of May 7, 2017

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Worship.....	218
Sunday 10:40 a.m. BibleClass.....	200
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.	136

Hispanic Congregation

Sunday Worship	18
Sunday 10:10 a.m. Bible Class	18
Wednesday Adult Class	08

Budget \$ 9,200.00

Contribution (5/7) \$ 8,614.00

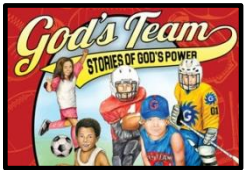
HOSPITAL: **Anna Clark**- tests for Neurocardiogenic Syncopy, she's passing out at different times...**Jimmy Duke** – (Gary & Becky Duke's nephew) – surgeries start in June, one to get bone removed from leg for jaw, one for jaw surgery where the cancer is located, long road of rehab/feeding tube/chemo/radiation... **Matthew Hilley**- (Sonja Russell's brother) home, treatments...**Robert Jarrard**- (Dawn Wilhite's dad) Northeast GA Regional, Open Heart surgery/4by-passes on Wednesday, doing well ...**Barry Newman** –Quinton room #201 on Hospice...**Morris Hill**- on Hospice Care in Texas (Jean Hill)

RECOVERING/HOME/SHUT-IN/ON-GOING ILLNESS: Yvonne Abernathy, John Allen, Brecklynn Allgood, Rickey Allmon, Minnie Anderson, Sherry Bales, Julie Barton, Charles & Peggy Bennett, Cindy Bigelow, Doug Bingham, Allen Bishop, Debbie Bolton, Glenn Bromlett, Jack & Elizabeth Brown, Sandi Brown, Thomas Brown, Valor Burnett, Carman Carillo, Nelda Carr, Jeff Chadwick, Charlotte Chaney, Lester Chastain, Gina Christiansen, Barbara Cloer, Bill & Rebecca Cofer, Linda Coley, Sherry Coley, Evan Connelly, Gabbi Cook, Bill & Glenda Cornutt, Kenneth Crow, Jim Dalzell, Allie Daniel, Steve Daniel, Helen Dardin, Titus Davenport, Vanessa Decker, Charles Doler, Marie Dollar, Kent Dotson, Chrissy Edwards, Demar Elam, Terry Ensley, Alex Foshee, Joan Foshee, Mark Foshee, Judson Gay, Sonny Gay, Donnie Gilliam, Katherine Green, Jane Griffen, Jon Griggs, Cora Hackney, Ed & Pat Hall, Lauren Hall, Richard Hall, Morris Hill, Rhonda Hill, Burt Hinton, Judy Hoffpauir, Bruce Holloway, Benny & Kathy Holloway, Seaver Hudson, Lida Hunt, Linda Ivey, Adam Jackson, Barbara Jackson, Dennis Jackson, Carl Johnson, Bill Johnson, Ed Jones, Lanie Jones, Barbara Judd, Diane Kinsey, Bob Kroll, Cindy Langford, Debbie Lanning, Anne Lee, Carly Lewis, Hannah Locke, Susan Kouassi, Sandra Lowe, Judy Malone, Lavelle Marcus, Delpha Mason, Brenda Mathis, Renee Mathis, Mike Mays, Betty Melson, Esme Miller, Doug & Sue Mitchell, David Morris, Josh Mullins, Juanita Newman, Edra Nix, Belinda Pack, Sandra Parker, Tina Parker, Willa Mae Phillips, Carolyn Powell, Virgil & Kathryn Pressnell, Brodie Quinn, Yahir Reyes, Bobby Rivers, Gladys Rogers, Layfield Rous, Bill Russell, Lamar Sane, Brenda Shepherd, Connie Shepherd, Hazel Shepherd, Martha Shepherd, Adrianna Shireman, Charlotte Silvers, Wanda Sliger, Brandi Smith, Jerry Smith, Lauren Smith, Karen Stanley, Mike Stanton, Colleen Stevens, Zane Steward, Tommy & Jimmie Stroud, Jim Stuman, Charlie Swanson, Cayden Tennant, Bill Threet, Reatha, Martin & Jeff Tilley, Sam Vandergriff, Wayne Warnack, Cheryl Welch, Chris Williams, Teresa Williams, Steve & Barbara Wilson, Cathy Woods, David Wright **Please notify the office or Shay Bingham if someone needs to be added or removed from this list. You can also make a note on your attendance card.**

**VBS 2017-
“GOD’S TEAM”**

7/15th - 7/19th

This year's theme is **“God’s Team”**. We are planning to have a Fabulous VBS!!! Packed full of fun with games, drama/theatre, crafts, food and great Bible Study. Be a part of “God’s Winning Team” and start making plans now to attend & to bring friends.



Please add **Jimmy Duke**(Becky & Gary Duke's nephew) to your card sending list while he undergoes surgeries and cancer treatments. His

address: 285 Sprayberry Hill Rd., Summerville, Georgia 30747