

Classes and Teachers

Sunday AM

Cradle Roll: Payton Knight
2-3 Years: Rm 6 Susan Powell
4-5 Years: Rm 4 Kathy Long
Lori Miles
1-5 Grade: Rm 5 Lukas Powell
6-12 Grade: Rm 1A Donovan King
Adults: Audit. Kent Miles

Wednesday PM

Cradle Roll: Rm 3
2-3 Years: Rm 6 Linda Knight
4-5 Years: Rm 5 Kathy Long
1-5 Grade: Rm 5 Amy Wilson
6-12 Grade: Rm 1A Kent Miles
Adults: Audit. Art Wilson

Prayer List

Family

Illness - Gayle Crane-Carol Crane's sister-colon cancer, Carol Miller-Gary Tupper's aunt-broken foot, Lori Smith-Robin Cooper's sister-radiation **Surgery**-Ray Brown-Robin Cooper's brother-10/3 **Surgery Recovery**- Kate Hawkins-Gary Tupper's mom-face
Hospital-Leandria Johnson-Dollie Spivey's niece-infection & illness
Encouragement - Ray Brown-successful surgery, Katie Hawkins-successful healing, Gayle Crane-strength, Carol Miller-healing, Lori Smith-success, Leandria Johnson-healing, Maggie Gascey-employment
Job-Maggie Gascey-Linda Knight's sister

Friends

Illness - Jennifer Erickson-kidney stones, Amy-friend of Payton Knight-back injury
Encouragement - Jennifer Erickson-passing of stones, Amy-strength & comfort & healing

All those dealing with the recent Hurricanes and Earthquake. Strength & comfort.

Men & Women at Woodbine

Many request prayers for their guidance & growth in the scriptures and safety for their children. Also, please remember to continue to read all their prayer requests posted on the bulletin board by the front exit doors.

Birthdays for October

Kenny Long-1
Sam Cudney-2
Candy Bennett-5
Rosalind Burden-5
Lindsey Irvin-7
Susie Lane-9
Sommer Tupper-10
Shirley Glover-12
Jennifer Cudney-17
Jim Giesemann-17
Bill Christensen-20

Anniversaries for October

Chad & Amanda Bradbury-4
Please show all the above celebrating Birth - days and Anniversaries love and best wishes.



Items for the Pantry

Juice

Spaghetti
Noodles

Chili

Canned Fruit



Announcements

- Today after the Morning Worship we will have our **Monthly Fellowship Meal**. All visitors and members are encouraged to stay and enjoy the great fellowship and food.
- Tuesday, October 3rd the **Ladies Class** will meet at 10:30AM. They will be finishing the last chapter in the book Keeping Your Balance.
- Thursday, October 5th at 7PM is **Pray With the Elders**.
- The **Young Adults** will meet Friday, October 13th & 27th at 6:30PM.
- Friday, October 13th at 5:30PM the **Seniors 55+** will meet in front of the Riverside Café for their Hay-Day Walk down Osborne followed by dinner at the Riverside Café.
- There will be an **Elder's Meeting** Sunday, October 15th.
- The men will have their **Men's Bible Study**, Tuesday, October 17th.
- There will be a **Building Workday** on Saturday, October 21st beginning at 9:00AM to get everything ready for the Gospel Meeting with Eric Owens.
- October 22nd-October 25th Eric Owens will be here for our **Gospel Meeting**. All members are encouraged to make plans to attend and invite your family, friends and neighbors. Sunday the 22nd, after the morning worship service we will have a Dinner On the Grounds with a theme of Southern Home Style Cooking. Monday thru Wednesday night the Gospel Meeting will start at 7:00PM.
- Ladies are encouraged to sign up to make **Visitor's Bread** for our visitors. The sign-up sheet is posted in the foyer.
- The **bulletin boards** in the foyer have been changed around a bit for easier reading of newsletters from Search, Yoke Fellow, Gospel Broadcasting, etc. They are displayed on the board on the back wall of the men's restroom. All flyers and sign up lists will be found on the front wall bulletin board.

How Can We Improve Our Self-Esteem?

Self esteem is a vital component in Christians growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ (**2 Pet. 3:18**). Here are some things to remember that can help us improve our self-esteem.

Remember that we are created in God's image (Gen. 1:26). God has given us humans something that nothing else of His creation has - spiritual qualities, mental and moral attributes, and self-consciousness. Because of this, we should always remember that we are of great worth to God. We should be like the lad who proclaimed of himself, "God don't make no junk!"

Remember that nothing can cause God to lose His love or us (Rom. 8:38-39). God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us. As someone once noted, "If God had a refrigerator, our picture would be on it." Let us constantly be reminded that God loves each of us immensely and considers us special.

Remember that all past sin is forgiven through Jesus (Rev. 1:5). If we have been baptized and are waking in the light (**Rom. 6:3-6; 1 John 1:7**), all past sins are no more in God's eyes. Nothing can happen in our lives that would cause God to say, "I don't want to forgive them." God always considers us salvageable.

Remember the importance of proper thinking (Phil. 4:8; Pro. 23:7). It is true - we become what we think about. If we think we are worthless, we will find worthless things to fill our lives with. But the opposite is true, as well. There truly is power in positive thinking! Optimism is the route to proper mental health.

Remember the importance of associating with those who lift you up (1 Thess. 5:11). Fellow Christians who are concerned for us will encourage, uplift, and support us. Spend much time with them and feed off of their joy and zeal. Enthusiasm is infectious.

Remember that with Christ, you can do anything (Phil. 4:13). Jesus is the One who can give us the opportunity and power to succeed. Trust fully in Him and His will for your life. Faithfully follow Him.

There is no doubt that poor self-esteem is a major hindrance to spiritual growth. On the other hand, a proper self-esteem promotes spiritual growth. And the neat thing about this is that spiritual growth then enhances greater self-esteem (which paves the way to even more spiritual growth.)

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Sermon Topics

AM: What Holds The World Together
PM: Bible Character-Jesus Part 2

Elder's Corner... The hint of Fall is in the air and the time for our 2017 gospel meeting is close at hand. As elders we pray you have set aside October 22nd thru 25th for the gospel meeting with Brother Eric Owens of the Avondale Church of Christ in Decatur, GA. He is a dynamic and bold preacher of the gospel, and we are confident his lessons on the Will of God will uplift and edify your Christian walk. Eric came to Avondale as a preacher of the gospel in 1997 with his wife, Vanessa and their 3 daughters. He graduated from the Memphis School of Preaching in 1994 and continues to work as a pulpit minister, along with serving as an elder since being appointed in 2009. We encourage each one of you to pray for the success of the gospel meeting and take time to invite your friends, family, and neighbors to take part in this very important event. On Sunday, October 22nd, Eric will teach the morning adult Bible class and conduct the morning and evening services. We will have a dinner on the grounds following the Sunday morning service - with a theme of southern home-style cooking. Brother Owens will also speak the evenings of October 23rd, 24th and 25th at 7:00 PM. As elders we have looked forward to having Eric at Saint Marys since hearing him speak at Standing in the Gap, at the Lake City church of Christ in 2014. If you would like to hear some of his lessons take time to visit the following links: <http://www.bearvalleycofc.com/podcast/2014/6/8/bold-preaching>; <http://avondale-coc.org/dev/index.php/sermons/>; and <http://lakecitychurchofchrist.org/standinginthegap.html> (2014 archives). Also, do not forget our building workday, Saturday, October 21st, at 9:00 AM to get everything cleaned up and in order for the gospel meeting

Preacher's Corner... On occasion I see people post that "God is good!" when something fortuitous happens in their life. "I've got a new job; God is good." but I have yet to see a post that acknowledges His goodness when trouble strikes. When we read Job, he acknowledges that God's goodness still shines even in our darkest hours. "He said, 'Naked I came from my mother's womb and naked shall I return there...Blessed be the name of the Lord.' In all this Job did not sin nor charge God with wrong." (**Job 1:21-22**) Often God gets the most blame for our sorrows because He's the biggest target. Instead, we should acknowledge that all disappointments are ultimately a result from our fallen world and man's succumbing to temptation. Yet, these problems point to a time when all heartaches will cease and we will enjoy heaven's perfect peace (**Rev. 21:3-4**). So, remember that God is good ALL THE TIME (**James 1:17**).