



Welcome

Welcome to the assembly of the church of Christ that meets at Georgia Avenue, where we strive to follow God's plan for the New Testament church as closely as possible. Thank you for coming. We are encouraged by your presence and invite you to search the scriptures with us.

Sermon Text & Title

AM: "Bearing One Another's Burdens"
Galatians 6:1-2

PM: "Don't Be Afraid to Work"
Matthew 25:25

Schedule of Services

<i>Sun Bible Study</i>	9 AM
<i>Sun AM Worship</i>	10 AM
<i>Sun New Converts</i>	4 PM
<i>Sun PM Worship</i>	5 PM
<i>Wed Bible Class</i>	7 PM

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FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK:

Satan's Deceptions Are Subtle Pt. 1

When Jesus plainly declared that he would have to go to Jerusalem, suffer many things of the chief priests and elders and then be crucified, Peter flatly contradicted him – "Not so, Lord." To Peter's rebuking, Jesus, in turn, responded – "Get thee behind me Satan," (Matthew 16:21-22). Jesus' "judgmental" response would certainly be out of order in our culture. After all, Peter appeared to be concerned about Jesus' well being. But a crucifixion did not fit the expectation of the disciples. And, perhaps, Jesus could have been a little more considerate of Peter's good intentions.

Earlier, Satan had tried in vain to get Jesus to forsake his sacrificial death (Matthew 4:1-11). However, the truth of the matter was that Satan was behind the seemingly innocent rebuke of Peter. Jesus saw that it was Satan who was working through a beloved friend to tempt him. And, should we grant to Peter the noblest of motives, he was really aiding Satan. Sometimes, Satan accomplishes, through our closest friends, what he could never accomplish through our worst enemies. We expect our known adversaries to attack us but we may not be prepared for subtle temptations that come through our friends.

Words spoken from genuine concern can dampen a brother's enthusiasm. Tongues that are vicious and gossiping can be disguised by claimed innocence of "just speaking the truth." Talking about things that are unbecoming to a Christian in the presence of worldly people might be justified as wanting to show the world that Christians are human too. Our words are to be spoken with grace and seasoned with salt and our speech indicates the kind of wisdom that directs us (Colossians 4:6; James 3:13-17).

Bro. Gene Cooper

If God be for us, who could be against us...

Stay tuned for Part 2 next week

“RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD”

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE - EXODUS

#2 The word “Exodus” means “road out” or “going out.” This book of history, penned by Moses about 1400BC, is the sequel to the book of Genesis. It is highlighted by God’s leading the Hebrews out of Egypt and punctuated by key words like deliverance, journey, tabernacle and law. Exodus chronicles important events the selection of Moses as Israel’s leader, the ten plagues visited upon the land of Egypt, the crossing of the Red Sea, and the delivering of God’s law. Its overall theme is God’s redemption of Israel from bondage.

Bro. Melvin Otey

Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursing Home Visitation, TODAY, 2PM and Sun, 9/7, 2PM. at Wash. Center for the Aging. at 2601 18th Street NE.

Women in the Word, Sat, 8/23, 9/6 & 9/20, 12:30-1:30PM. Sisters, bring your friends for a study on salvation at 766A Princeton Place NW.

Lifelines Ministry Meeting, Tues, 8/26, 7PM. See Antoine for details.

Ladies’ Tea (combined w/ Pray w/o Ceasing session), Sat, 9/6, 2-5PM. at the Merriweather home. All ladies are invited. See Sheila for info. and to RSVP.

Singles’ Bible Study, Fri, 9/19, 7:30PM. Charlie will lead a discussion on “Why Am I Single?” from Eccl. 3:1. See Brian for details.

Adopt-a-Block, Sat, 9/20, 9AM-12PM. Help us clean up the neighborhood and advance the gospel! Join us with your Georgia Avenue t-shirts and gloves.

PRAYER REQUESTS

J. Eaton. Prayers that employment options be in my favor if it be God’s will. **D. Moore.** Thank you GA Ave for the loving words of encouragement, prayers and fellowship during my summer. Please keep me in your prayers as I return home and throughout my coming school year. Prayers for Petrice Young and her family during this time of distress in her life. Also prayers that I might be of comfort for her and have opportunity to share the gospel. **S. Merriweather.** Travel grace as Carl, Carla and I travel to Cleveland, OH to attend my family reunion. Prayers for evangelistic efforts while there. Also prayers for my co-worker, Skip Bowerman, as he undergoes medical tests. **O. Eaton.** May we continue to be a light to our family in action, word and deed. Also please pray for my employment situation. May I put God first in everything that I do. **B. Crutcher.** Prayers for my co-workers, Roger Burkley and Jeff Paulus, who have terminal illnesses, throat cancer and Lou Gerrick’s disease, respectively. Also prayers for the families of Bernie Mac and Isaac Hayes during this time of loss. **R. Hughes.** Pray for Tristan Porter as he travels from Texas back to DC for the upcoming school year. **G. Cooper.** Prayers for my co-workers dad. He has a terminal illness. **M. Williams.** Prayers for my blood sister and our sister in Christ, Ebony. **Polishing the Pulpit.** Pray for Bro. Cooper, Cyrenna, the Oteys, and all who will be traveling and participating this year. **College students.** Pray for those who will be returning/arriving.

WORSHIP LINE-UP

AM

Usher	C. Bingham
Song Leader	K. Wall
Announcements	M. Otey
Invocation	R. McQuirter
Scrip Reading	R. McQuirter
Message	G. Cooper
Lord’s Table	L. Clemons
Assist	O. Eaton
	M. Davis
Giving	L. Clemons
Benediction	M. Thweatt

PM

Usher	C. Bingham
Song Leader	A. Johnson
Announcements	G. Cooper
Invocation	L. Clemons
Scrip Reading	L. Clemons
Message	M. Otey
Lord’s Table	K. Wall
Assist	R. McQuirter
	L. Hayes
Giving	K. Wall
Benediction	W. Ford

God’s Plan of Salvation

Hear the Gospel. Rom 10:17
Believe in Jesus. John 8:24; Heb. 11:6
Repent of Sin. Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30
Confess Christ. Rom. 10:9-10
Be Baptized. Mk. 16:15-16; Acts 2:38
The Lord adds you to the church.
 Acts 2:47
Live Faithful Unto Death. Rev. 2:10

Clean Up This Month:

The Johnsons

Communion:

S. Merriweather and D. Davis

STATISTICS

August 10, 2008

Sunday Class: 33 AM Worship: 47 PM Worship: 33 Wed Class: 29

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