



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 Sermon:
 "Nehemiah, A Man of Vision"
Nehemiah 1:1-11

PM Sermon:
 "All Hands On Deck"
Nehemiah 2:18-19

Schedule of Services

<i>Sun Bible Study</i>	9 AM
<i>Sun AM Worship</i>	10 AM
<i>Sun (1st and 3rd) "Fundamentals"</i>	3:30 PM
<i>Sun PM Worship</i>	5 PM
<i>Wed Bible Study</i>	7 PM

Our Ministers

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FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK:

A GOOD FOLLOWER

If you consider yourself a person after God's own heart you can probably be described as having the heart of a disciple. Let us take a look at what discipleship really means, you will be able to see for yourself whether or not you indeed have the attitude that leads to having the heart of a disciple. Read **Matthew 28:18-20**. As we follow Jesus we are to make disciples. How do we do that? (It's a two step process) How long does it take to do step #2? Can you successfully accomplish step 2 if you yourself haven't paid much attention to it. You have been called to follow Jesus. If we are going to call people to follow, we ought be following Jesus ourselves! A penitent (repentant) disciple is a follower; a follower of Jesus becomes a servant; a servant becomes a leader. If you realize you do not have the heart of a disciple, pray for a disciple's heart. Write **Psalms 51:17** on an index card and memorize it.

God calls all of us to be accountable to Him: read **Hebrews 4:12-13**. How does God's Word uncover our hearts? Does the Word teach you what kind of attitude you are to have? Can it point out to you when you have a bad attitude? How do you respond when you are being cut? Do you realize that it is God who is cutting, with and through His Word? What, then, is the vehicle that God uses to hold us accountable to Him? Should you then become very familiar with this vehicle, i.e., the Bible? Read **Hebrews 13:7,17**. Since you are called to fellowship, who are you to submit to? Why? According to verse 17, what are your leaders held accountable for? Your actions will be a testimony of your faith! Write **1 Timothy 4:16** on an index card and memorize it.

One of the most illustrative passages about leading and following is **Ezekiel 33:7-11**. What role is Ezekiel given? Isn't this the same role that leaders in the church have been given? What will happen to us if our leaders don't warn us about our sin? What happens to us if we didn't listen to what our leaders warns us about? From verse 10, what effect does sin have on you? From verse 11, what does God desire for you to do? How is then, that God is going to use others to benefit you? If your desire is to be accountable to God, understand that means being accountable to your leaders and to each other. We are our brother's keeper! If your desire is to repent and turn to the Lord then hold yourself accountable to your brother/sister!

Accountability is a word we tend to shy away from. Why do you think that is? Is it because it requires you to make a commitment...to see to it that your attitudes reflects Jesus'? Read carefully **Rom 14:12-13**. Will you be held accountable collectively or individually? From verse 13, are we to work toward helping each other out with our accountability? How do you think this can be accomplished? It is obvious from this passage that judging one another is not the way to hold each other accountable to God. If you continue on reading **15:1-8** you will notice that you are to accept your brother and be at peace. You are to edify and encourage with the Scripture. As **2 Tim. 3:16-17** says, you are to use the Word to teach, correct, rebuke and instruct in righteousness. Write this last scripture on an index card and memorize it.

Since being held accountable involves being taught, corrected and rebuked, always keep in mind that these things come from the Lord. Read **Hebrews 12:5-16**. Verses 5 - 9 speak about how the discipline of God is manifested and why it is given. Verses 10 and 11 speak of the purpose of the Lord's discipline. Verses 12 and 13 are an exhortation to not give up. His discipline is not given to burden us, but rather, to set us free from the burden of sin (remember Ezekiel 33:7 - 11?). Verses 14 and 15 summarize what accountability is all about. Today's memory verse is challenging! Write **Eph. 4:11-13** on an index card and memorize it. Isn't God's plan awesome?

Bro. Gene Cooper

“RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD”

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE –HAGGAI



#36 When God began revealing to Haggai the message he should preach and write, Zechariah was ministering to the Jews as a priest, a position passed down from his forefathers (Neh. 12:16). Zechariah, whose name means “He whom the Lord remembers,” was then commissioned with a similar prophetic task. Like Jeremiah and Ezekial, then, he was a prophet-priest. Zechariah used a great deal of apocalyptic symbolism. His main purposes were (1) to bring about spiritual revival among the people, (2) to inspire the people to complete the temple, (3) to comfort and console the people, and (4) to proclaim the coming of the Messiah. Key words include “return” and “Lord of hosts.”

Bro. Melvin Otey

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

WORSHIP LINE-UP

AM

Usher	C. Merriweather
Song Leader	K. Wall
Announcements	M. Otey
Invocation	A. Brown
Scrip Reading	A. Brown
Message	G. Cooper
Lord’s Table	O. Eaton
Assist	M. Thweatt
	L. Clemons
Giving	O. Eaton
Benediction	C. Bingham
Usher	C. Merriweather
Song Leader	A. Johnson
Announcements	M. Otey
Invocation	L. Clemons
Scrip Reading	L. Clemons
Message	G. Cooper
Lord’s Table	S. Keaton
Assist	K. Wall
	L. Hayes
Giving	S. Keaton
Benediction	W. Ford

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to the Family! Baptized: Antiwan Maxwell (3/28), Harry Brooks (3/29), Lee Washington (3/29), and Robyne Rivers (3/31).

“The Gift of Gab Comes with a Tab,” TODAY. Join us for good food and great discussion at the *Women of Virtue* Potluck! See Sis. Williams for dish sign-up questions. @ Otey home immediately after morning worship.

Fundamentals of the Faith class. Cancelled today in light of the Potluck.

Men’s Worship Training, 4/12, 3:30PM. “The Elders’ Qualifications”

College Min. Bible Study, Thursdays @ 5PM, HU School of Bus. Rm. 548.

Mid-Atlantic Lectureship, 7/17-7/19. “The Holy Spirit”

PRAYER REQUESTS



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

Cleaning:

Pauline & Denise Armstrong

Communion:

LaTeisha Williams & Shirley Glaze

STATISTICS

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Sunday Class: 29 AM Worship: 61 PM Worship: 48 Wed Class: 35