



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: "Counting the Cost of Spiritual Success"
Luke 14:25-35

PM: "Wise Words About Managing God's Money"
Mark 8:36

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:

Be Ye Reconciled To God...

Part 2 of 2

The Terms of Reconciliation. You and I must listen as God defines the terms by which we can "be reconciled to God." Jesus showed that we must hear, and learn, the will of God: "It is written in the prophets, and they shall all be taught of God. Every one that hath heard from the Father, and hath learned, cometh unto me" (John 6:45). When we come to Christ, that is 'reconciliation.' Jesus has already come to us, by coming to this world and dying on the cross. He now invites us, "Come unto me. . . (Matt. 11:28). God has done His part. Now He waits to welcome us when we will respond to His grace by coming to Him in faith (Eph. 2:8-9). Have we truly believed the Lord? Do we accept the terms He has given? To believe in Christ is to believe His teachings, "Except ye believe that I am he, ye shall die in your sins" (John 8:24). Going one step further, do we really believe that God "is a rewarder of them that seek after him" (Heb. 11:6)? To say that we believe is not enough; it never has been. We prove that we believe when we do what He tells us: "Faith, if it have not works, is dead in itself. . . By works was faith made perfect. . . Ye see that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only" (Jas. 2:17-24).

The Place Of Reconciliation. But where does reconciliation take place? Let the Lord answer: "He is our peace, who made both one . . . that he might create in himself one new man, so making peace; and might reconcile both in one body..." (Eph. 2:14-16). If we are reconciled to God, it is in "the one body." What is that body? Let God answer: "The body, the church.. The church, which is his body" (Col. 1:18; Eph. 1:22-23). Reconciliation is in the body of Christ, which is His church. How, then, do we enter into that body, which is the church? "We were all baptized into one body" (1 Cor. 12:13). If we would be reconciled to God, we must be led by faith to turn from our sins and be baptized "into Christ." To show reconciliation, Scripture says: "For if, while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, shall we be saved by his life . . . Or are ye ignorant that all we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?" (Rom. 5:10; 6:3). There are the means, the terms and the place of reconciliation. The only means of cleansing from sin is the blood of Christ, shed in His death on the cross: "Being justified by his blood . . . reconciled by his death" (Rom. 5:9-10). Faith (Eph. 2:8) that leads to repentance (James 2:14-24; Gal. 5:6) and baptism "into Christ" (Rom. 6:3-4) are God's terms of reconciliation. Reconciliation is in the body (the church) of Jesus Christ (Eph. 2:14-16; 5:23).

Bro.Gene Cooper

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

“RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD”
THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE – JONAH



#30 Jonah was a prophet of the Northern Kingdom during the 8th century B.C. reign of Jeroboam II, just before the time of Amos and Hosea. The book named after him clearly demonstrates God's concern for Gentiles as well as Jews. The Lord commissioned Jonah to go to the nation of Assyria, which had a legendary reputation for cruelty, and call the people to repentance so that they could escape God's wrath. The prophet initially rebelled against God himself and was famously swallowed by a great fish. However, he repented and God spared him; Jonah went to Nineveh, the capitol of Assyria, and shared God's message of impending doom. Like Jonah, the people repented.

Bro. Melvin Otey

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Worship Training, TODAY, 3:30PM.

Men's/Women's Class & Congregational Mtg., Wed., 2/25.

Food Pantry Items of the month. Rice (white and brown), canned vegetables (esp. spinach), oatmeal, diapers/baby wipes, and toiletries (e.g., soap, lotion, toothpaste, etc.) .

College Min. Bible Study, Thursdays @ 7PM, HU Sch. of Business Rm. 548.

“Women of Virtue” Cooking Classes, Sun 3/8. Brothers are welcome. See Jania to sign up.



PRAYER REQUESTS



WORSHIP LINE-UP

AM

Usher	C. Bingham
Song Leader	B. Crutcher
Announcements	G. Cooper
Invocation	M. Williams
Scrip Reading	M. Williams
Message	M. Otey
Lord's Table	C. Merriweather
Assist	L. Hayes
	M. Thweatt
Giving	C. Merriweather
Benediction	S. Keaton
Usher	C. Bingham
Song Leader	A. Johnson
Announcements	G. Cooper
Invocation	S. Keaton
Scrip Reading	S. Keaton
Message	M. Otey
Lord's Table	L. Clemons
Assist	O. Eaton
	M. Davis
Giving	L. Clemons
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

Cleaning:

Antoine & Ivy Johnson

Communion:

J. Eaton, C. Saunders & V. Bingham

STATISTICS

February 15, 2009

Sunday Class: 37 AM Worship: 62 PM Worship: 40 Wed Class: 40