



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:
"Let the Children Come"
Mark 10:13-16

PM Sermon:
"Children Obey
Your Parents"
Ephesians 6:1-3

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:

Teach Your Child To Love Worship

A very serious problem exists among religious families: sometimes their children who have been brought up "in the church" are anxious to "get out of the house" so they won't have to go to church anymore. This is a perplexing problem fraught with serious consequences. Why does a child want to "get away from" the church? What kind of children from what kind of families do? I don't know all the answers to questions like these, but let me suggest a few thoughts. I believe that one real source of this attitude is that children are not taught to love the worship of the Lord. From the time they are infants the parents are yelling at them on Sundays to "hurry up and get up cause we have to go to church" with the emphasis on "have to." Nothing is said about the joy of worship. Nothing is said about the wonderful privilege that is ours. Children are taught that "going to church" is a drudge. No wonder they want to get away from it.

When children are in the assembly, often they are allowed to play with all sorts of toys and games. This causes them to think that the assembly is some place to play games; and then when they are older and too big to play games, they are bored with what is going on. Many children are not taught to sing. They are allowed to play when worship to God in song is being rendered. If they are not taught to sing as tiny tots, then as they grow older they will not sing. Parents, do you teach your children the words to songs at home so they will know them and be able to join in the singing? It is a sad sight to see teenagers just sitting and looking around instead of singing. No wonder they have no interest. They are not taught reverence during prayer. They keep on playing instead of being taught to always bow their heads in reverence. If you took your child to the funeral of a loved one, would you give him games to play? Would you allow him to "do his own thing" or would you teach him reverence and respect for the dead? No, our worship is not a funeral, but it is holy and children need to be taught that it is.

They must be taught to study the Word. Are you studying the class lessons with your children? Are you teaching them to enjoy that part of the day and really look forward to it? If this is the environment of a child, you will seldom see him wander away from the Lord. Those who are taught to study the Bible are the ones who listen to sermons and lessons. They are the ones who will understand much more of the lessons that are being presented. (And, by the way, what happened to the teenagers all sitting at the front? What an inspiration that is to the whole congregation!) These are the ones who grow up to love the Lord and stay with Him. Friend, what are you teaching your children? To love God and His worship, His word, and His people? What you teach your child, who is a tiny tot now, will determine where he will be when he is old; seems like Solomon said something like that somewhere.

Bro. Gene Cooper

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

“RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD”

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE –LUKE



#40 The book of Luke is the first writing (Acts is the second) in a two-part volume. It is the longest book in the New Testament and provides a scholarly, detailed description of Jesus’ life and the times in which He lived. While the author does not specifically identify himself, "the beloved physician" has consistently been recognized as the writer of this gospel account. While it has much in common with the other synoptic gospels (Matthew and Mark), about half of the material is unique to it. One of its distinguishing features is its emphasis on the universality of the gospel, Luke pays particular attention to Jesus’ ministry to the poor, the outcasts and to women.

Bro. Melvin Otey

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lifelines Ministry, “New Converts and New Members Meet and Greet,” TODAY.

Following the AM services. All are encouraged to attend.

Marriage Ministry Gathering, 5/8, 7PM. @ the Otey home.

“Straight Talk About Homosexuality,” 5/14, 7PM. @ District Heights coC.

Singles’ Ministry, Bible Training 5/15, 7:30PM. “Work That Glorifies God” (Jam. 1:21-27) @home of Sis. Mosby and Richardson. See Brian for details.

Men’s Community Service Day, Sun, 5/16.

Singles’ Movie Night, 5/30, 4pm (tentative). @ home of Sis. Williams and Hullett.

PRAYER REQUESTS

WORSHIP LINE-UP

AM

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

Mary Merriweather & Mary Moore

Communion:

Shewana Skinner & Yolanda Weir

STATISTICS

April 26, 2009

Sunday Class: 36 AM Worship: 64 PM Worship: 33 Wed Class: 39

Food Pantry Items of the Month: any non-perishable food items