



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:
"The Kingdom
Has Come"
Mark 9:1

PM Sermon:
"The Works of Smyrna"
Revelation 2:8-11

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:

Our Hopes and God's Purpose (Part I of II)

Our High Hopes are often not attained. For forty years Moses had led Israel. From bondage in Egypt to freedom, from fear to safety, from hunger and thirst to "a land flowing with milk and honey" (Num. 13:27). Moses often had to plead the case of the people to God, which he did successfully. He also had to plead the case for God to the people, who were often rebellious and always reluctant. Now, Israel was about to enter into the promised land of Canaan, Moses had sinned in not giving God the glory for the water which God gave to Israel, brought forth miraculously from the rock (Num. 20:10-12), and so was not allowed to enter the land of promise, the land toward which he spent forty years leading Israel. Moses is not only the man who has failed to reach the land of promise. Abraham, "father of the faithful", never realized the fulfillment of the divine promise. God had said that the land of Canaan would be his. However, notice Heb 11:9-13, David, the "sweet singer of Israel", planned the temple of God, but was not allowed to build it (2 Sam. 7). The apostle Paul did not live to see the fruition of his labors. The task is never done, the night falls before the job is completed. Although we strive to obey the admonition, "Be ye perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matt. 6:48), we die before attaining such perfection (or, "full growth"). In the arena of life, time runs out and the race is finished-leaving unfinished a cherished enterprise, a hope unattained.

When One Falls, Another Is Raised Up. Moses died and was buried on Mount Nebo, attended only by angels. How can a people lose such a leader, such a spiritual giant? What will now happen to the Israelites? Joshua answered, as he entered into his labors as the new leader to complete what Moses had begun. It was Joshua who led Israel in Canaan, conquered the land and built a great nation there (Josh. 3-11). Jesus left heaven and came to earth (John 6:38) to "seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10). But His plan was always to turn over the responsibility to the apostles when He returned to the Father in heaven (Matt. 28; Mark 16; Luke 24). Sometimes we think we are "indispensable" to a given work, but God knows better. And when one, no matter how important, is called away, God raises another to carry on His work and accomplish His purpose. Paul wrote, "I planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase...I laid a foundation; and another buildeth thereon" (1 Cor. 3:5-10).

Bro. Gene Cooper
If God be for us, who could be against us....

“RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD”

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE – ROMANS



#43 The book of Romans is often referred to as a comprehensive summary of Paul’s teachings on the gospels; many consider it the greatest of his writings. It tells of the universal need for salvation and God’s provision for it. In this epistle, Paul expounded on foundational Christian doctrine, harmonized the Jewish and Christian dispensations, and provided practical application for Christian living. Interestingly, the apostle had not visited Rome, the most important city in the Roman Empire, when he dictated this letter, but he hoped to do so and helped to build up the Lord’s work there. There is no dependable, definitive evidence regarding the establishment of the church at Rome.

Bro. Melvin Otey

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men’s Leadership Class, TODAY @ 3:30PM. “Leading w/o Elders”
Capitol coC Gospel Mtg, 5/24-5/29. Details on bulletin board.
Singles’ Movie Night 5/30, 7PM. @ home of Alisha & Jessica. Chikara has details.
Ladies’ Pray Without Ceasing Session, Sat, 6/6, 10:30AM. @ Sis. Moore’s home. Jania and Sis. Moore have details.
“Survival Kit” Party for Shameka, Sat 6/6, 2-4PM. @ Sis. Otey’s home. All Sisters are invited to attend. RSVP to Sis. Otey by June 1st.
Ladies’ Q&A Rap Session, 6/14, after AM services. @ Sis. Otey’s home. Ladies, get Bible answers to your question! Submit questions to LaTeisha, Ivy or Jamia by 6/7, and don’t forget to sign up to bring a dish.



PRAYER REQUESTS



WORSHIP LINE-UP

AM

Usher	S. Keaton
Song Leader	K. Wall
Announcements	G. Cooper
Invocation	O. Eaton
Scrip Reading	O. Eaton
Message	M. Otey
Lord’s Table	A. Brown
Assist	D. Morris
	M. Thweatt

Giving	A. Brown
Benediction	C. Bingham

Usher	S. Keaton
Song Leader	R. McQuirter
Announcements	M Otey
Invocation	D. Morris
Scrip Reading	D. Morris
Message	G. Cooper
Lord’s Table	M. Davis
Assist	O. Eaton
	B. Crutcher
Giving	M. Davis
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

STATISTICS

May 17, 2009

Sunday Class: 31 AM Worship: 52 PM Worship: 33 Wed Class: 54

Cleaning:

Mary Merriweather & Mary Moore

Communion:

Shewana Skinner & Yolanda Weir

Food Pantry Items of the Month: Canned Fruit