



## 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:  
"A Rest for the  
People of God"  
Hebrews 4:1-11

PM Sermon:  
"Liar, Liar, Pants on Fire"  
Revelation 21:8

## 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:

## THE BODY IS A UNIT

"The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body." 1 Cor. 12:12 (NIV)

A congregation built a new church building, and people came from far and wide to see it. They admired its beauty! Up on the roof, a little nail heard the people praising everything about the lovely structure--except the nail! No one even knew he was there, and he became angry and jealous. "If I am that insignificant, nobody will miss me if I quit!" So the nail then released its hold, slid down the roof, and fell in the mud. That night it rained and rained. Soon, the shingle that had no nail blew away, and the roof began to leak. The water streaked the walls and the beautiful murals. The plaster began to fall, the carpet was stained, and the pulpit Bible was ruined by water. All this because a little nail decided to quit! But what of the nail? While holding the shingle, it was obscure but it was also useful. Buried in the mud it was just as obscure, but now it was useless and would soon be eaten up by rust!

The take away for us -- every member is important to the church! Like the nail, you may feel obscure at times, but just like the nail, your absence is felt. Make sure you're a help and not a hindrance to the future spiritual and numerical growth in this body. Remember:

We Are Members of the Same Body (1 Cor.12:12-27). Please never forget, as members of the body of Christ, we belong to each other and we need each other. Each member of the body has a function to perform so that the body as a whole will grow and remain healthy. Each part is needed, and no one part should think it is more important than any other part. Remember, a spiritually healthy church is one in which the various members know their God-given gifts and use them to serve and edify others in that local body.

We Are Soldiers in the Same Army (Eph.6:10-18). The church is an army to fight against Satan, the hosts of darkness, and sin; not to fight each other. And please understand that in the Lord's army each individual soldier (Christian) is expected to wage war and fight. However, our weapons must never be carnal, or our struggle will be useless and eventually deadly. And just as there are leaders in the physical army, there are to be leaders (shepherds, overseers) in the spiritual army. Only when the soldiers are in their proper place and obeying divinely appointed orders, can an army expect to withstand the attacks of the enemy. What I'm saying is good military strategy depends on teamwork. We need at times to ask God to help us be "big people" and return good for evil, so that what is weak may be healed rather than driven further to despair (Heb.12:13). The time is too short, the price is too high. Please remember, spiritual enemies can only be defeated by spiritual means. "Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything to stand - stand firm" (Eph.6:13).

Bro. Gene Cooper

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

**“RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD”**

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE— FIRST PETER

#58 First Peter is an epistle of hope in the midst of suffering. The apostle Peter’s authorship has been accepted since the late first and early second centuries, and he wrote during the days of Emperor Nero, when persecution against Christians was increasing everywhere. He warned Christians to expect persecution and bear in patiently in light of their living hope and great future. Themes include persecution, hope, and salvation.

Bro. Melvin Otey

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2nd AM Service starting NEXT SUNDAY @7:45AM!**

**Nursing Home Visitation, TODAY @2PM.** See Letitia for details.

**Fundamentals of the Faith.** No class today. Next class will be 9/20 @3:30pm.

**Marriage Ministry Mtg, 9/11 @7PM.** @ the Eaton’s home.

**Door Knocking, 9/12, 9:45AM-12PM.** All hands on deck!

**Individual and family photos will be taken 9/13 after 10AM service.**

**Teachers Wanted.** Anyone interested in teaching , see Bro. Cooper.

**HU Bible Studies, Thursdays @ 7PM, Bus. School #548.** Lawrence has details.

**Ladies Day@ Silver Spring 10/17.** Please see Sis. Mosby to sign up by 9/30.

**Women of Virtue Cooking Classes.** Resuming in October. Let Sis. Otey know if there are any dishes you want to learn how to cook. More info to follow.

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	A. Brown
Assist	S. Keaton
	R. Fuller
Giving	A. Brown
Benediction	C. Pendergrass

PM

Usher	C. Merriweather
Song Leader	C. Pendegrass
Announcements	M. Otey
Invocation	K. Wall
Scrip Reading	K. Wall
Message	G. Cooper
Lord’s Table	R. McQuirter
Assist	M. Williams
	L. Clemons
Giving	R. McQuirter
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

August 30, 2009

Sunday Class: 53 AM Worship: 85 PM Worship: 52 Wed Class: 55

**Cleaning:**

Denise Armstrong & Yolanda Weir

**Communion:**

Jennifer Hannah & Mary Merriweather

**Food Pantry Items of the Month:** Canned fruit and vegetables; dry beans and pasta.