

ALIVE!



GORDON'S CHAPEL UMC

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Sunday School 10:00 am
Worship 8:30/11:00 am

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Straight Talk from Joel

Receive God's Hope in Christ!

Philippians 4:13

"Greetings from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ".

Let there be Hope throughout the world. There so are many who will experience this day without hope. There are people who have given up and have died in a corner for no reason other than they have lost all hope.

We do not have to look far to see the consequences of having no hope. In our community and around the world we can see the world is full of individuals who have lost their will to fight for what is right, to trust, and to live. Many are hungry for life's basic needs but see no relief. So many people see too many dilemmas without solutions.

Have *you* forgotten how powerful the love of Christ is? Our faith is inseparably connected to the love of God, which is provided to us through the love we receive in Jesus. *Yes, Lord,* You have given us a chance to be a part of Your presence, which supplies us with enduring strength and with blessed hope.

We can do so much greater works, of love, if we will receive Your hope. *Oh, God give us this hope.* Hold on to Jesus! Share Jesus' hope! God's hope is available to all who will reach out for it.

Do not put your hope in yourself, your government, your laws, or our modern technologies. All of these things will fall short of giving you the hope that you desire. Believe that you can accomplish all that is required of you through the hope found in Christ Jesus. You too can receive the freedom from your despair and feelings of being lost. Put your faith in Jesus.

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Corinthians 13:13

Yours in Christ, Your Pastor,
Rev. Joel Wesley Embry

**May you and yours have a safe Fourth of July.
Remember that true freedom comes from God.
Celebrate knowing that you are free from the burdens and sins
of this life. Rejoice in believing in Jesus Christ.
"Then you will know the Truth, and the Truth will set you free"
John 8:32**

Back-To-School Supply Drive

Donations are needed for this yearly event that helps low-income families in Madison County with much needed school supplies. The deadline for bringing donations to the Church is **Sunday, July 17th**. All donations are appreciated including book bags, notebook paper, pencils, notebooks or monetary gifts. These will be delivered to Family Connection on July 20th for distribution on July 28th. Please consider donating to help needy children in our county.

Annual Golf Tournament

The 3rd Class Sunday School class will host their second annual golf tournament on **Saturday, August 6th** at Double Oaks Golf Course. They are seeking teams and hole sponsors. If interested please contact anyone in this class.

Lay Servant Classes

Lay Servant classes will be held on August 4, 11, 25 and September 1 from 6:30-9:00 PM at Chapelwood UMC. For more information, contact Kenneth Bradley.

Homecoming

Gordon's Chapel UMC, will have our Annual Homecoming Service on August 14 at 11:00 am, with the Rev. Gary Whetstone, District Superintendent of the NEGA UMC, as our homecoming speaker. Please note that there will be NO 8:30 am service held that Sunday. In addition, our revival services will begin each night, Sunday, August 14 through Tuesday, August 16, at 7pm with Evangelist Rev. James Smith speaking. Please come and join us! You will be blessed!

Sunday, July 3, 2016

5:00 PM: Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

8:00 AM: Prayer Team (**canceled until Fall**)

7:00 PM: Choir

Saturday, July 9, 2016

9:00-10:30 AM: Clothes Closet Open (green bldg.)

Wednesday, July 13, 2016

7:00 PM: Choir

Friday, July 15, 2016

9:00-10:00 AM: Food Pantry Open (CC)

Sunday, July 17, 2016

5:00 PM: Men's Bible Study

Monday, July 18, 2016

7:00 PM: Worship Committee Mtg. (FH)

7:00 PM: UMW (FH) (**canceled**)

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

7:00 PM: Choir

Sunday, July 24, 2016

5:00 PM: Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, July 27, 2016

7:00 PM: Choir

Sunday, July 31, 2016

5:00 PM: Men's Bible Study

August Events:

Saturday, August 6, 2016

Golf Tournament, Double Oaks Golf Course
(sponsored by the 3rd Class SS class)

Sunday, August 14, 2016

11:00 AM: Homecoming (only one service)
(Rev. Gary Whetstone, DS, preaching)

12:15 PM: Covered Dish Lunch (CC)

Sunday, August 14 – Tuesday, August 16, 2016

Revival Dinner at Community Center
(Time to be announced)

7:00 PM: Revival (sanctuary)

(Rev. James Smith preaching each evening)

Thursday, August 18

7:00 PM: Combined Finance & Trustee Mtg. (FH)

Sunday, August 28, 2016

2:00-4:00 PM: Baby Shower for Natalie &
Jon Poole (FH)

Monday, August 29, 2016

7:00 PM: Administrative Council Mtg. (FH)

Take a MOMENT, MAIL a card, MAKE their day! (If I left someone out that you think would like a card mailed, please let me know. Thank you!)

May Edwards, 3277 Crabapple Hollow Road, Nicholson, Ga 30565

Charles and Faye Jay, 4005 Nowhere Road, Athens, Georgia 30601

Gene Lackey, Highland Hills Assisted Living (#306 condo section), 1660 Jennings Mill Road, Bogart, Georgia 30622 or P.O. Box 132, Athens, Ga 30603

Gale and Brunelle Brown, 991 Smith Rd, Hull, Ga 30646...

George and Linda Kay Holloman, 1097 Crabapple Hollow Road, Hull, Georgia 30646

Freddie Massey, 855 Nowhere Road, Athens, Ga 30601

Reatha and Mike Ingram, 587 Lloyd Nelms Road, Nicholson, Ga 30565

Margaret and Greg Jordan, 3870 Nowhere Road, Athens, Ga. 30601

Virginia Archer, 834 Lloyd Nelms Rd, Nicholson, Ga. 30565

Darrell and Martha Allen, 4436 Nowhere Rd, Athens, Ga. 30601

Darlene Wilson, 1624 Garnett Ward Rd, Hull, Ga 30646

Ruth Pittman, 603 Line Creek Rd., Nicholson, Ga. 30565

Jim and Wanda Thaxton, 445 Line Creek Rd., Nicholson, Ga. 30565

Gloria and Harold Appleby, 625 Hwy 191, Danielsville, Ga. 30633

Bettye Bond, 2452 Sanford Rd, Nicholson, Ga 30565

Jackie Adams Rm 611 at the Oaks, 490 Kathwood Dr. Athens, Ga 30607

Louise Bellew, 105 Pleasant Acres Farm Road, Nicholson, Ga 30565

Betty Ingram, Pruitt-Health - Athens Heritage Nursing Home, 960 Hawthorne Ave, Athens Ga 30606

MaryAnn Seagraves, 2108 Seagraves Mill Rd., Hull, Ga. 30646

Carolyn Wofford, 1272 Seagraves Mill Rd, Hull, Ga. 30646

Shirley Stanfield, 110 Tara Way, Athens, Ga. 30606

Roger and Billie Gober 1501 Sanford Rd, Hull, Ga 30646

Jerry Dillard, Park Place Nursing Facility Rm C44-2, 1865 Bold Springs Rd, Monroe, Ga 30656

Christine Lamb, Apt 744 Talmadge Terrace, 801 Riverhill Dr., Athens Ga 30606

James Goddard, 518th RSSB, TF Raging Bull, APO, AE 09354

Betty Hodges, 6634 Nowhere Road, Hull, Ga 30646

Robert A Deyton Detention Facility, Attn: Inmate Cartwright, USMS #99656-020, P.O. Box 730, Lovejoy, Ga 30250

Reminder: SAFE SANCTUARY ADDITIONS TO POLICY: (1) All youth must have parents written permission to leave church grounds for sponsored events (2) Under 6 years of age must have a signed and dated pick up slip from parents in the same area as the event (3) Get name and number of parents and their children if they are outside of the Gordon's Chapel family, especially at VBS or any other events where community kids are involved.

Church list updates: If you've had a baby born lately in your family, and would like their birthday to be added to our church birthday list that is printed in our church newsletter, please let Paulette know by replying. If your wedding anniversary date has not been listed on our anniversary list printed in the church newsletter, please comment below. Note: Include month and day only mm/dd. Thank you!

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Jackie Dillard who passed away. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mitzi and Courtney and all the family.

Congratulations to Jack and Sceva's daughter-in-law Jenny Glenn (Chris' wife) who has recently been selected as Teacher of the Year for Madison County Middle School. We are proud of her!

Community Garden Ministry: Have you seen the community garden lately? It is beautiful! Special thanks to the hard working hands of folks like Steve Smith who has come to work almost every day, Harlan Lovelace, Michele Hanson, Roy Wood, Ray Inman, and Joel Embry! Thank you so much! It looks so beautiful, the best it has ever looked per Harlan!

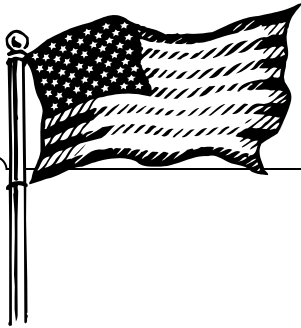
A Special thank you to Teresa Bradley Self (cc) and Pegie Davis (church) who have worked as custodians and have done such a fantastic job for us in keeping both of our facilities clean! May God bless you!

My Daddy, (Otis Dillard) was born in 1905 and passed away in 1995. He wrote this poem which was published in the early 1920s.

Dry-Dry-Dry

They say we live by the sweat of our brow,
Whether we do or not I can't say how,
Nothing green in the fields, no rain in the sky,
I mean dear friends we're dry, dry, dry.
Growing food and grumbling on every hand,
Nothing growing on our government land,
Garden is a failure, we haven't had one,
The rain didn't come, but my...that sun!
I'm just a little fellow, always been shy,
But now I'm talking when I say..it's dry!
Old folks say they've never seen such before,
I'll say not, and I hope no more,
If I had a little cash - I'd say goodbye,
But I guess I'll just have to stay where it's dry - dry - dry!
Thank you and May God Bless, Paulette Cooper

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Return Service Requested



July Birthdays

2. Patsy Pittman
Kyle Stanfield
7. Lynn Hix
Curtis Couch
Nicholas Chrisohon
8. Melanie Berryman
10. Kendall Pierce Couch
11. Tyler Pittman
Mark Garmon, Sr.
12. Louise Bellew
Vinita Watkins
Corey Ingram
Amanda Smith Sailors
Sally Allen
13. Donna Gober
Brenda Ingram
14. Christine Lamb
15. David Cheek
19. Kaitlin Appleby
20. Paulette Cooper
21. Frankie Watkins
23. Kristen Smock Williams
Buddy Adams
26. Aiden Archer
28. Wayne Johnson
31. Russ Adams
Deborah Adams
Russ Williams
Ryne Williams

August Birthdays

1. Steven Bellew
Clay Epps
2. Mark Seagraves
4. Ken Hix
5. Helen Bellew

5. Bonnie Melton
Joni Ingram
8. Marianne Christian
9. Harlan Lovelace
11. Sharon Burch
12. Brunelle Brown
13. Andy Thaxton
Mike Cobb
15. Brice Ingram
17. Pegie Davis
18. Katie Lynn Moon
19. Gracie Cooper
Pamela Mosko
20. Harry Burch
21. Clinton Stanfield
23. Charles Jay
Betty Ingram
24. Susan Beck
25. Winifred Thomas
27. Karen Harrison
28. Greg Epps
Ashley Pittman Abbott
30. Darrick Smith
31. Angela Rouse

September Birthdays

1. Amanda Archer
3. Joey Bradley
Jack Glenn
4. Hannah Freeman
5. Allison Paul Phillips
7. Ted DePooter
9. Matthew Heaton
12. Todd Alexander
15. Sceva Glenn
Kenneth Bradley
16. Keith Reynolds
18. Toby Brown
20. Billie Gober
21. John Wilcher
James Goddard

22. Gina Smith
25. Lamar Wages
26. Lynn Epps
27. JoAnn Kaes
28. Jenny Andrews
29. Cindy Kesler

July Anniversaries

2. Mr. & Mrs. Randy Archer
12. Mr. & Mrs. Dean Wilcher, Jr.
18. Mr. & Mrs. Larry Pittman
19. Mr. & Mrs. Brunelle Brown
20. Mr. & Mrs. Eddie Cooper
26. Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Smith

August Anniversaries

2. Mr. & Mrs. Ricky Ingram
4. Mr. & Mrs. Lamar Wages
12. Mr. & Mrs. Bob Harrison
21. Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Smock
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Archer
24. Mr. & Mrs. Corey Ingram
27. Mr. & Mrs. Neil Nix

September Anniversaries

1. Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Dillard
8. Rev. & Mrs. Billy Pittman
16. Mr. & Mrs. Darrick Smith
28. Mr. & Mrs. Allen Harris
30. Mr. & Mrs. Andy Epps