

Visitors' Luncheon

We welcome all visitors to our services today. We are thankful for your presence. Our visitors are invited to join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall immediately after services. This week's luncheon will be provided by Care Zones 2.4 & 4 (Howard & Druzba). There will be no luncheon next week (Memorial Day weekend).



Woodstock Day School Board of Directors' Meeting

Today, May 17, 4 pm

North Georgia Sunday Singing

Today, May 17, 2:30 pm - ???
Blairsville Church of Christ

VBS Volunteers Meeting

Today, May 17, 5 pm
Fellowship Hall

In just a few weeks, we're creating the Roman Empire...right here in our building. Come and find out what it was like to be one of the first Christians as we step back in time. VBS is July 6-10, 7-9 pm. Volunteers needed:

Family Leaders - Adults - 12
Assist Family Leaders - Teenagers - 12
Transportation Coordinators - 5
Actors/Actresses - 9
Decoration Committee - 10

See Chris Dotson or Lara Kyle. Remember, there is no place like Rome.



Pantry Items of the Week

Pancake Mix
Pancake Syrup

ESL International Dinner

Monday, May 18, 7 pm

Everyone is invited to join the ESL students and staff for an International Dinner. Please bring food for a covered dish dinner and come to encourage the students who have attended ESL classes this semester. Monday Night for the Master will support this effort.

Super Seniors' Meeting & Luncheon

Tuesday, May 19, 11 am

The Super Seniors will meet for devotion and lunch in the fellowship hall. Plan to attend and enjoy the fellowship. Please bring food for the covered dish luncheon.



Woodstock Day School Preschool Graduation

Thursday, May 21, 7 pm

You are invited to attend the annual graduation ceremony for the preschoolers. Entertainment is also provided. This is an excellent opportunity for you to meet and greet the parents who have entrusted us with their children this school year. Call Jan Dmytrowitz to volunteer to bake cookies for refreshments and/or to assist at the ceremony.

Family BBQ Picnic for 2 years-5th grade

Saturday, May 23, 3:30 - 7 pm

Families with kids, ages 2 year olds - 5th grade, are invited to a family BBQ picnic at the Dmytrowitz home. Sign up on the bulletin board.

Pictorial Directory

Sign up NOW in foyer

Do you ever see people and wonder what their names are? Have you ever heard an announcement regarding a member and wished you could put a face with a name? Are you a new member and wish you had something to help you put names with faces? Help is on the way! We are producing a new, updated pictorial directory! There is no cost to have your photographs taken and you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory for participating. You will be able to view your images electronically immediately after photography. At that time, you will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits to share with family and friends. Bring a food donation to your sitting and receive \$5 off your portrait order. Use the forms in the foyer to schedule your own appointment. We look forward to seeing you.

Bibles Needed

Bibles are being collected for distribution at the Cherokee County jail. If you have Bibles at home that you are not using, and would like to contribute, place them in the box in the foyer.

With Our Sympathy



We give our sincere sympathy to Joe & Katherine Stickels and family on the passing of Joe's father, William, last Thursday in Indiana.

Our condolences, also, to Cameron, Madison & Lauren Ivanyisky on the passing of their great-grandmother, Theresa Ivanyisky, last week. The funeral is Monday in Louisiana.

Silent Sister Program

Deadline Extended

If you're interested in participating in the Silent Prayer Sister program, it's not too late to sign up. Pick up a form from the Silent Sister table, complete it and return it to Lindsey Taylor or Brenna Cravy TODAY.

Mission Update

Camp Inagehi Scholarships

Due to the economic turndown, our Mission fund will award four full scholarships to Camp Inagehi this year. We want all deserving children from our congregation to be able to attend Bible camp. Scholarships will be awarded based on need and paid directly to the camp. Please see Eric Aguirre for details. All contacts will be kept confidential.

Graduates

High School and college graduates, please submit a picture and name of your school no later than May 24 to the office for publication in the bulletin.

Employment Resources Web Page

Need a job? Look at the employment resources available on our website at: www.woodstockchurchofchrist.org.

OUR LOVE EXPRESSED

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| Bible Study..... | 182 |
| Worship AM..... | 280 |
| Worship PM..... | 146 |
| Hispanic (Sunday am)..... | 22 |
| Wed. Night Bible Study..... | 171 |
| Contribution..... | \$6,216 |
| Budget..... | \$9,200 |
| Difference..... | -\$2,984 |

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SHUT-INS

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| Virginia Choate | Scott Moody |
| Carole Gunter | Kenneth Payne |
| Marie Hastings | Eileen Skelton |
| Eulene Howell | Betty Tomlin |
| Bill Kirby | |



OUR MEMBERS

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| Ervy Boothe | Margaret Mason |
| Carl Sticher | Rebecca Little |
| Don Slocumb | Debbie Dotson |
| | Eileen Davis |

the unemployed of our congregation

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Maxine Davis, grandmother of Melisa Dotson
Jessica Herzler, fiancée of Chip Laukka
Scott & Rhonda McMichael, neighbors of Greg and Tammy Hughes

Bertha Sullivan, mother of Jean Franklin
Karley Moody & Vera Thomas, sisters of Jean Franklin
Ilouise Bradford, niece of Kay Brown
Debbie Cornell, friend of Barbara Murphy
Mary Andrews, mother of Jan Dmytrowitz
Ron Payne, brother of Barry, son of Margaret and Kenneth Payne

Volney Martin, father of Sandra Rice
Jim Owens, friend of David Cravy
Emily Piper, friend of David Cravy's friend, Jim Jill Harris, friend of Lisa Howell Nelson

SERVING IN FOREIGN LANDS

Stanley Pethel - contact of C.L. White
Matt Callihan - nephew of Mark & Margaret Mason
Jon Holland - brother-in-law of Debbie Braun
Jason Delong - acquaintance of Susan Garner
Jessenia Baez & B Co. 949th - contact by WCOC Care Pkg.
Freddie Hannan - son of Geri Hannan
Colton Thompson - great-nephew of Barbara Murphy
Kyle Hansard - grandson of Jerry & Rachel Daffron
Tony Fulton - husband of member of Spanish congregation
Jonathan Rickaway - friend of the Grady family
Nathan Rennicks - grandson of Weaver's neighbor
Brailey Brooks - brother of Stenelle Brewer
Ryan Franklin - son of Robin & Pam Franklin

| This Week's Events | | |
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| Sunday | 4 pm | Day School Board of Directors' Meeting |
| Monday | 7 pm | ESL International Dinner |
| Monday | 7 pm | Monday Night for Master |
| Tuesday | 11 am | Super Seniors' Luncheon |
| Thursday | 7 pm | Day School Preschool Graduation |
| Thursday | 6:30 pm | Men's Softball Game, field 1 |
| Thursday | 7:30 pm | Women's Softball Game, field 3 |
| Saturday | 3:30 pm | Picnic for 2 year olds-5th graders & families |

| Weekly Schedule | | Ushers for May |
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| <u>Sunday</u> | | Marshall Brown |
| Bible Study | 9:30 am | Monty Davis |
| Worship | 10:30 am | Greg Hughes |
| | 6:00 pm | Jody Dotson |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | | Rick Langosch |
| Bible Study | 7:30 pm | Mark Wood |

| Elders | Deacons | | |
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| elders@woodstockchurchofchrist.org | Eric Aguirre | Rich Hogan | Tom Markham |
| David Cravy | Larry Crawford | Guy Hydrick | Barry Payne |
| Paul Dotson | Bob Crompton | Jack Kyle | David Stoker |
| Joe Moody | Stan Dmytrowitz | Mark Kyle | George Stroh |
| Rick Reynolds | Eric Dotson | Rick Laukka | Don Williams |
| | Greg Garner | | |

| Ministers | |
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| www.woodstockchurchofchrist.org | |
| Kathy Crawford | Kathy.Crawford@WoodstockChurchofChrist.org |
| Office Hours | Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm Friday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm |

| Local TV Shows | |
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| <i>In Search of the Lord's Way</i> with Mac Lyon, WATC-TV 57, Sunday 7:30 am | |
| <i>Preaching the Gospel</i> with James Watkins, WATC-TV 57 Saturday 7:30 am | |
| <i>Gospel Broadcasting Network</i> , Dishnet Sunday, 6-9 am Channel 9407 | |
| <i>Good News Today</i> every day on Dish Net 9407 and DirectTV channel 225 | |
| <i>(James Watkins is on Good News Today on Thursday and Sunday)</i> | |

Ushers for May: Marshall Brown, Monty Davis, Greg Hughes, Jody Dotson, Rick Langosch, Mark Wood

| Worship AM | May 17 | May 24 |
|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Welcome | Joe Moody | Rick Reynolds |
| Reading: Psalm 19:7-14 | Rich Hogan | Rick Laukka |
| Songleader | Johnny Mackey | Guy Hydrick |
| Opening Prayer | Jack Kyle | Glen Rice |
| Lord's Table | John Hicks | John Campbell |
| 1 | Davis Cooper | Joe Stickels |
| 2 | Eddie Cooper | Gus Suarez |
| 3 | Robert Howell | Carl Petty |
| 4 | Robbie Howell | Robert Phillips |
| 5 | Gary Kyle | Jerry Daffron |
| 6 | Harrison Kyle | Mark Kyle |
| Sermon | Bryan Collins | Bryan Collins |
| Closing Prayer | Harold Null | Keith Taylor |
| Prepare Communion | Woody & Jayne Woodyard | Keith & Cindy Taylor |
| | Glen & Sandra Rice | Robert & Tamara Howell |
| Greeters | Barry & Ellen Payne | George & Marian Stroh |
| | Johnny & Kara Spillman | Billy & Joyce Wood |
| Sound Room | Eric Dotson | Stan Dmytrowitz |
| Security | Jody Dotson | Jerry Wallace |
| Nursery | Kristie Markham | Tina Dobbs |
| | Megan Markham | Christy Wise |
| Worship PM | May 17 | May 24 |
| Welcome | Guy Hydrick | Eric Dotson |
| Reading: Psalm 24:1-5 | Cole Putnam | Cameron Ivanyisky |
| Song Leader | Jack Kyle | Mark Kyle |
| Opening Prayer | Richard Holdridge | Jody Dotson |
| Sermon | Bryan Collins | Bryan Collins |
| Lord's Table | Joey Williams | Don Williams |
| Assist at Lord's Table | William Mason | Richard Holdridge |
| Closing Prayer | David Cravy | Paul Dotson |
| Nursery | Marian Stroh | Rita Laukka |
| | Louise White | Beth Wallace |
| Wednesday | May 20 | May 27 |
| Song Leader | Stan Dmytrowitz | George Stroh |
| Invitation | Bryan Collins | Bryan Collins |
| Closing Prayer | George Stroh | Tom Markham |
| Sound Room | Clint Hall | Frank Cole |
| Security | George Stroh | Eric Aguirre |

Privileged to Serve if you are unable to serve, notify Larry Crawford

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Welcome to the Lord's church that meets at Woodstock, Georgia. We find our authority in the inspired word of God and are governed in organization, faith, worship and work according to God's Holy Word.

A Note From Bryan... A Ministry of Excellence

A Ministry of Excellence is something that every Christian wants to be a part of. I know that you want this congregation to win souls and convert the lost to Christ. I know that you want to see people come and be transformed. I know you want to be a part of a growing church that brings other Christians in and helps them to grow. I know you want to be a part of something exciting that God is doing.

This morning we are going to look at the ministry of John the Baptist in Luke 3:1-22 and what an excellent ministry it was. John's ministry stands out as an example to Christians today as a ministry of excellence. We are going to look at just what made John's ministry so distinctive and so successful.

John knew that his place in that ministry was temporary. In the gospel of John, chapter 3, once he had pointed his disciples to Jesus, he told them, "He must increase and I must decrease." John wasn't seeking to make himself a great name; he was just doing what God sent him to do. There are three things that really shine through in this passage that point to the excellence of John's ministry, and what's more, they were just simple things. There was nothing elaborate or overly sophisticated about his ministry. Most of all, it was a ministry that focused on Christ and not on John; it was all about Jesus and nothing about John.

If we will focus on these three simple elements of ministry, we, too, will create a ministry of excellence here at Woodstock. It isn't about me or about you; it is all about Jesus and lifting Him up before this community and reaching out from here into the county and the surrounding area. It is about shining the light of Jesus and salvation into the world.

| Today's Sermon Topics | |
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| AM: A Ministry of Excellence | Luke 3:1-22 |
| PM: Many Issues; Many Opinions | 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 |