

This Week's Events		
Sunday	Noon	Visitors' Luncheon
Wed.		Office Closed
Wed.	7:30 pm	Christmas Eve Service
Thursday		Office Closed
Friday		Office Closed

Weekly Schedule		Ushers for Dec.
<u>Sunday</u>		Marshall Brown
Bible Study	9:30 am	Jody Dotson
Worship	10:30 am	Keith Taylor
	6:00 pm	Greg Hughes
<u>Wednesday</u>		Mark Wood
Bible Study	7:30 pm	Robert Phillips

Elders	Deacons		
<small>elders@woodstockchurchofchrist.org</small>	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		

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Local TV Shows	
<i>Preaching the Gospel</i> with James Watkins, WATC-TV 57 Saturday 7:30 am	
<i>In Search of the Lord's Way</i> with Mac Lyon, WATC-TV 57, Sunday 7:30 am	
<i>Good News Today</i> with James Watkins	
DirecTV channel 323, Sunday & Thursday 8 am	
Dishnet Channel 9407, Sunday & Thursday at noon	

Ushers for December: Marshall Brown, Jody Dotson, Keith Taylor, Greg Hughes, Mark Wood, Robert Phillips

Worship AM	December 21	December 28
Welcome	Paul Dotson	Joe Moody
Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:3-7	Tom Markham	Jerry Daffron
Songleader	Johnny Mackey	Rich Hogan
Opening Prayer	Mark Howard	Bob Crompton
Lord's Table	Jeremy Wallace	Rick Laukka
1	David Stoker	Harold Null
2	Jon Wise	Jack Lewis
3	Mark Williams	Don Slocumb
4	Charles Little	Billy Wood
5	Jerry Wallace	John Hardin
6	Joe Stickels	Harold Smith
Sermon	Bryan Collins	Rick Reynolds
Closing Prayer	Rick Langosch	Robert Howell
Prepare Communion	Reg & Kathy Berry	Mark & Margaret Mason
	Greg & Tammy Hughes	Judy Hayes
Greeters	Rick & Rita Laukka	John & J'Dawn Elliott
	Don & Martha Slocumb	Gus & Billie Suarez
Sound Room	Eric Dotson	Stan Dmytrowitz
Security	Eric Aguirre	Rick Laukka
Nursery	Christine Aguirre	Debbie Dotson
	Kristie Markham	Jenny Howard
	Megan Markham	Miranda Dotson
Worship PM	December 21	December 28
Welcome	Rich Hogan	William Goodwin
Reading: Philippians 2:5-11	Justin Hydrick	William Mason
Song Leader	Mark Kyle	Jack Kyle
Opening Prayer	Jack Kyle	Floyd Garner
Sermon	Bryan Collins	Don Williams
Lord's Table	Gary Kyle	Joey Williams
Assist at Lord's Table	Harrison Kyle	Cole Putnam
Closing Prayer	Guy Hydrick	Mark Kyle
Nursery	Pam Reynolds, Kathy Crawford	Martha Slocumb, Judy Hayes
Wednesday	December 24	December 31
Song Leader	Stan Dmytrowitz	Robert Howell
Invitation	Bryan Collins	Special Devotional Service
Closing Prayer	Woody Woodyard	Keith Taylor
Sound Room	Robert Howell	Clint Hall
Security	George Stroh	Don Slocumb

If you are unable to serve, call 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... Little Things

When you think about it, it's really the little things about the holiday season that make it special. It can really be oppressive when you think about trying to buy impressive gifts for everyone on your list, because what can you possibly buy for people who have very few needs? Maybe we should focus on those with needs, huh? Anyway, it is the little things that really set the tone for the season. Cooking and preparing goodies to pass around and share isn't exactly a small thing, and it isn't inexpensive either, but what a nice touch to be thought of and included in that gift.

I have often related two "little things" about my Christmas memories. My parents always knew what to get us and, although they were not wealthy, they always provided a very nice Christmas for my sister and me. I can't think of a time when I didn't get what I wanted for Christmas. More importantly, my Mom continued to fill stockings for me, my sister and our spouses up till the time she got sick and couldn't. Besides the meals, we would enjoy together opening up all the little trinkets and gadgets that were in that stocking. It was the most enjoyable "little thing" about Christmas. It wasn't the stuff; it was the thought that went into it, because she could always surprise you like when you were a kid who believed in Santa Claus.

This morning, as we move toward the eve of Christmas, we are going to take a look at some of the "little things" about the birth of Jesus that made a tremendous impact on the world; things that have captivated the world for generations. One "little" preview is the fact that Jesus was born in a little insignificant town in an insignificant little stable, or so it would seem, rather than in a king's palace, which would have been a more appropriate place, by all counts, for the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. God used "little things" to make a big impression on the world!

Today's Sermon Topics	
AM: Little Things	Luke 2:1-14
PM: Commitment	Mark 8:34-38

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. Today the luncheon will be provided by Care Zones 2.4 & 4 (Howard & Druzba). We will not have luncheon for the next two Sundays.



The Church Office Will Be Closed

December 24, 25 & 26
December 31
January 1



If you have information for the Dec. 28 issue of the bulletin, please send it to the office on Monday morning. The bulletin will be printed on Monday afternoon.

Monday Night for the Master
Meetings are suspended until January 5. Please join us then.



Iglesia de Cristo Christmas Party

Our spanish brethren will hold their congregational Christmas party on Wednesday evening, December 24, in their worship center next door.

Pantry Items of the Week

Dried Beans
Rice



Annual Day of Prayer and Planning

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, January 18, for our Annual Day of Prayer and Planning. If you have any questions, please see any of our Deacons.

Mission Update

Bill Thomas/Nathan Reynolds
Our mission fund has sent Bill Thomas (Pisgah church of Christ, GA) and Nathan Reynolds (Augusta church of Christ, ME) an additional \$300 each to help them cover yearend taxes and holiday expenses. Please continue to pray for these mission works.

Mission Update

Eastern European Mission
The Woodstock congregation donated \$4,930 in our recent special contribution for EEM, during their Million Dollar Sunday, to place Bibles and Bible study materials in schools of the Ukraine's Donetsk region. EEM has raised 1.3 million dollars! They expect to have Bibles printed and delivered by mid-Spring. For further information please go to www.EEM.org.

Remember Those Who Have Sacrificed for Us

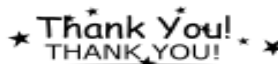
Anyone wishing to send a Christmas card to a wounded soldier can send it to the following address:

A Recovering American Soldier
c/o Walter Reed Army Medical Center
6900 Georgia Ave NW
Washington, DC 20307-5001



Birthday Lists

A list of members' birthdays for January, February and March is available on the credenza in the foyer. Pick up your copy today!



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the beautiful flowers, cards and prayers in the recent loss of my brother-in-law Charles Box Sr. Continue to pray for the Box family.

In Christian love,
Barbara Murphy & family

Church of Christ Family at Woodstock-
Thanks for all the calls, cards and the contribution made to 'Raintree Village Children's Home' in memory of Ann Daffron.

In Christian Love,
Jerry & Rachel Daffron
Susan & Carolyn Daffron

New Members

Placed membership 12/21/08
Rickey & Tammy Phipps
Rebecka & Dakota
Zone 2.2



OUR LOVE EXPRESSED

BibleStudy.....	173
WorshipAM.....	319
WorshipPM.....	185
Hispanic (Sunday am).....	12
Wed. Night Bible Study.....	162
Contribution.....	\$9,011
Budget.....	\$9,200
Difference.....	\$89

The NEW Monthly Men's Breakfast

A new plan for the Men's Breakfast is evolving as a result of feedback from those at the November Breakfast. The feedback synthesized into three primary concepts. First, the men desire a regular opportunity where they can come together for mutual edification, fellowship, devotion, and prayer. Second, the men believe it is important to have an opportunity to share ideas, provide input to leadership and ministry leaders, and hear about the congregation's various activities and ministry areas; they want a periodic, planned communication component concerning our congregation. Third, there is a strong opinion among some of the men that combining these two elements in the same gathering will diminish the quality and value of both elements. Therefore, in 2009 we will experiment with a bilateral strategy to address these desires. On the second Saturday of each month, the Men's Prayer Breakfast will continue. The format will be similar to that we have been using recently except the agenda will have increased emphasis on the spiritual side providing mutual edification, fellowship, devotion, and prayer (and breakfast). We will continue to ask different men lead a short devotional and we will spend time dedicated to identifying and praying for specific individuals and situations in our congregation. A Men's Communication Caucus, scheduled for 5:00 pm on the first Sunday of the second month of each calendar quarter. The meeting will have an agenda providing time for Deacons and other ministry leaders to share news about the various works. There will be time for individuals to ask questions and give input. Currently the dates for the communication meeting are February 1, May 3, August 2, and November 1.

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SHUT-INS

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

OUR MEMBERS

Ervy Boothe
the unemployed of our congregation

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES

Tom Nixon, friend of Glen & Sandra Rice
Winona Smith, cousin of Barbara Murphy
Louise Holtzclaw, mother of Mary Lou Kendall
Darla Williams, friend of Chuck & Marge Collings
William Stickels, father of Joe Stickels
Thomas Micheli, neighbor of Pat Harris
Vera Thomas, sister of Jean Franklin
Mark Clinkenbeard, brother-in-law of Judy Hayes
Edna Willis, grandmother of Clint Hall
David Thomas, co-worker of Shirley Lewis
Jeff Aguirre, brother of Eric Aguirre
David Holdridge, brother of C. Aguirre & R. Holdridge
Linda Jackson, friend of Scott & Angie Ray

SYMPATHY

Donna Whitener & family, on the passing of her father.
Ramona Bassett & family, at the passing of her mother, Ollie Ellenburg. Ramona and Ollie are former members of our congregation.

SERVING IN FOREIGN LANDS

Colton Thompson
Kyle Hansard - grandson of Jerry & Rachel Daffron
Tony Fulton - husband of member of Spanish congregation
James Rosner - friend of Lindsey Taylor
Jonathan Rickaway - friend of the Grady family
Nathan Rennicks - grandson of Weaver's neighbor
Jordan Turner Keshawarz - Diana Diamond
Brailey Brooks - brother of Stenelle Brewer
Ryan Franklin - son of Robin & Pam Franklin