

LADIES DINNER-TUESDAY

This month the devo will focus on mothers. Please plan to bring a finger food and a memory or story to share about your mother. If you have been missing these please plan to start coming.

MENS BREAKFAST

The men of the congregation meet on Wednesday mornings at the Pot Luck Cafe in Monroe. This is a good time to fellowship with each other. They meet at 9am.

SUMMER SERIES

Our Summer Series will begin June 4th. Our first speaker will be Mike Baker, a former minister at Monroe. Please plan to attend these. The lessons are always so good. There is an insert with the schedule of this series.

GRADUATION CELEBRATION

We will have a celebration in the Fellowship Hall on the 25th. We have 4 young adults from our youth group graduation from high school. Two have already started taking college classes. They will each have a table at the party so you can find out more about each of their individual paths they plan to take. Please bring a finger food. Cake will be served.

GROUP 2 MOVED TO THE 25th

Group 2 will meet on the 25th. It was moved due to Mother's Day. Please plan to come and eat. If you are a guest please plan to stay and eat with us. We would be honored.

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**Those serving...
May 18th-A.M. Services**

Song Leading	Tom Wolaver
Scripture Reading	Caleb Stacks
Opening Prayer	Tommy Stacks
Lord's Supper	John Thomason(P) DJ Allen, Don Evans, Clyde Hill, Timmy Thomas, John Hughes, Duke Allen
Delivering Sermon	Keith Dixon
Closing Prayer	Ed Smithpeters
Media Attendant	Dwayne McCannon
Announcements/Invitation	Tommy Wolaver

**For The Record...
May 11th**

Bible Study	88
AM Worship	132
PM Worship	75
Contribution	\$3600/\$2718.83
YTD	\$68,400.00/\$62,302.15
May 14th	
Bible Study	61
Yearly Totals	
Baptisms	3
New Members	4

May 18th-P.M. Services

Song Leading	Tom Wolaver
Scripture Reading	Jonathan Evans
Opening Prayer	Don Evans
Delivering Sermon	Keith Dixon
Closing Prayer	Tommy Stacks

May 21st-Wednesday Services

Announcements	Tommy Wolaver
Lead Singing	Tom Wolaver
Devotional	Calvin McCoy
Closing Prayer	Trey Callihan
Media Attendant	DJ Allen

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"...worship in spirit and in truth." John 4:24

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Assembly Times:

Sunday
Bible Study-9:30 am
Worship-10:30 am
PM Worship-6:00 pm

Wednesday
Bible Study
Morning-10:30 am
Evening-7:00 pm

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KEITH DIXON

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear Romans 10:17
Believe John 8:24
Repent Acts 17:30
Confess Romans 10:9-10
Baptized Acts 22:16
Live Faithfully Matthew 7:21

If there are any health updates, changes, or events you would like to post in the bulletin please email them to: trudyblue1@yahoo.com

MAY 18, 2014

VISITORS WELCOME!

You are truly our honored guests! We hope that you find our Bible Study and Worship Service beneficial to you. We seek only to worship God in the same manner as done by Christians when the church began in Acts 2. Please stay after services so that we may get to know you. For your convenience, there is a nursery in the foyer for babies up to 18 months old and a toddlers room next to the auditorium.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

John and Mery Nell's son-in-law, Bruce Rainey, 46, passed away suddenly. Please continue to pray for Tony Casselle and his family. Trey Callihan's sister, Kim, has leukocytosis. Marty Chafin, Jewel Taylors niece, had a terrible bike accident. She was taken to Shepherds. Josefine Romo, a friend of Anita Sutton, is undergoing chemo. Pat Gibsons grand-daughter, Kelsey, has a friend, Farah Odom, is in need of prayer. Rita Mitchell has been dealing with illness this year. Gloria Ansley is in need of prayer. Connie Gordon, an acquaintance of the McCannon's, has stage 3 breast cancer.

EXTENDED LIST...The Braytons, Rose Noe, Rita Mitchell, Freda Suttles, Gene Stephens, Donna White, Mason Thomason, Tom Parker

MILITARY...Barron Crane, Matt Callihan, Jacob Shepherd, Nicholas Stacks, Shilo Crane, Tim Dixon, Josh Blackburn, Matt Shepherd, Ronald Bly

SUMMER SERIES BEGINS JUNE 4TH!!

MARK Your CALENDAR

05-18 SERVANTS FOR THE MASTER TEAM 3
05-18 NURSING HOME AT 2PM
05-21 MENS BREAKFAST-POT LUCK-9AM

VBS DATES! START PLANNING NOW!

The dates for VBS will be July 14-18. Please make this a priority to be involved in. The children are the future for the church. There are MANY ways to be involved.

PICTURES FOR THE DIRECTORY

There will be a photographer here every Sunday in May. Please plan to schedule a time to have your picture taken for the directory. It is imperative that an active church have an up-to-date directory. It is also easier when you have faces to go along with member info. Sign up sheet is on the foyer. Thank you in advance for participating.



CELEBRATING THE GRADS
MAY, 25th-7 PM
EVERYONE IS INVITED!

We will celebrate the graduates we have in our family here at Monroe on May 25th. Please bring a finger food and plan to stay to congratulate these young adults. It will be in the fellowship hall after evening worship.

Youth Day at Conyers coc May 18th.
All youth are invited!

Holy Spirit

Many are confused because they are not rightly dividing the Scriptures (2 Timothy 2:15). Some may be confused because they are studying one or two passages and cling upon those passages without studying all that the Bible has to say about the subject. Not to take all that the Bible has to say about a subject is both dangerous and wrong. Let us notice some fallacies with some thinking about the Holy Spirit.

This is what one man has said, "The church's abject failure over 2000 years to preach the Gospel means that it is incredibly gracious of God to choose to reveal Himself to one whom the church has ignored." First has the church failed in its mission? When Christ gave the Great Commission i.e. "To go into all the world and preach that Gospel to every creature" (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:46-49) to the apostles, was that job that was impossible to finish? Paul said, "If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister" (Colossians 1:23). So the job was not impossible to carry out, it was done. This is a job that continues though. The church still has to carry the Gospel everywhere to every man because men's souls are lost today.

Second, will God "reveal" Himself to one whom the church has ignored?" The question needs to be asked, "How will God reveal Himself to a person?" The person making these comments referred to Cornelius and Paul. Did Cornelius or Paul have the entire Bible at the time of their "enlightenment"? The answer is soundly NO! Another question is, "Is God still revealing Himself in this way today?" If God is revealing Himself this way today, that means that we do not have all that we need to go to heaven. Peter, writing by direction of the Holy Spirit said that we DO have all we need to go to heaven (2 Peter 1:3). Also Paul said: "That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Timothy 3:17). The person making these comments needs to answer the question, "Is God's Word true?" Then, "Does the Bible mean what it says?" Another question is, "Is God a respecter of persons?" Why would God today choose to appear to some folks in a direct way and not to all? If God appears today to some and not to all, then God is a respecter of persons which the Bible clearly states He is not (Acts 10:34).

The Bible clearly teaches that those who do not obey the truth will be lost (2 Thessalonians 1:8). It is the church's responsibility to take the Gospel to a lost and dying world. If God is side stepping the church by revealing Himself directly to individuals He is not letting the church do her work. God is going to hold the

church responsible for doing that work. If God will not hold the church responsible then why hold anyone responsible for any thing. God is not like that, we will be responsible for doing or not doing the work that God has given the church and individuals to do.

This person whom is quoted earlier states, "No where in Scripture does it say miracles have ceased. That is the wisdom of men, plain and simple." One wonders when reading this what is the definition of a miracle. One also wonders if miracles are being done today who is doing them? In Acts 8 a man saw that the miraculous powers were passed on by the laying on of the Apostles hands, do you know anyone that old? One continues to wonder what miracles are being done today? Is it tongues or the interpretation of tongues? Is it healing? Could it be casting out of devils? Is it raising the dead? Is it the gift of wisdom or is it words of knowledge? Could faith be the miraculous gift that has not ceased? Is it the person who is a discerner of Spirits? Do you know of a person who can take up a poisonous snake, be bitten and not be harmed? Can anyone drink poison and not be harmed? These are all listed as miracles that were done by those in the first century. They cannot be done today. 1 Corinthians 13:10 states so, "But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away." The perfect is the Word of God, "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed" (James 1:25).

The purpose of miracles was to confirm that the Word that was being preached was from God (Mark 16:20; Hebrews 2:3). To say that miracles are being performed today is to say that the Bible is not complete. It is to say that God is still appearing to men to give them a message and that individual has the power to confirm what is being said is from God. That makes the Bible of none affect. The Bible does say that it is powerful. Romans 1:16 states clearly, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." Another passage that confirms the powerfulness of God's Word is Hebrews 4:12, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints, and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Let us keep studying to come to a complete knowledge of God. Love, Keith

Those serving...Next Sunday

Song Leading
Scripture Reading
Opening Prayer
Lord's Supper

Closing Prayer
Announcements/Invitation

Tom Wolaver
Perry Sims
Tommy Stacks
Calvin McCoy(P)
Jerry Shepherd, John Hughes Duke Allen,
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BULLETIN INFORMATION

If there is something that needs to be put in the bulletin please email Crissy at trudyblue1@yahoo.com. Please get this info to her before Thursday evening. You can also text her with info at 706-206-8514