

**DeKalb Church
of Christ**

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**Schedule of
Services**

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30
Worship 10:25
Worship 6:00

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00

Preacher

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**What must I do to
be saved?**

1. **Hear the Gospel.**
(Rom. 10:17; Acts. 18:8)
2. **Believe in Christ.**
(Jn. 8:24; 20:30-31)
3. **Repent of my sins.**
(Acts 17:30-31)
4. **Confess my faith in Christ.**
(Acts. 8:37; 1 Tim. 6:12)
5. **Be baptized into Christ.**
(Acts. 2:38; Mk. 16:16)
6. **Be faithful.**
(Rev. 2:10)

Record (4-1-07)

B.C. – 37
A.M. – 70
P.M. – 39
Wed. B.C. – 51
Offering – \$1,650
Wkly Bdg. - \$1,702

News & Notes

Shut-Ins/Extd illness - (Remember with calls, cards, prayers, visits, etc.)

Carlos Rodgers; Bessie Daniel; Paula Hodgson; Netia Ward; Neta Wilsford
Pat and Mary Ann Davis; Homer Batchelor; Ashley Sowders; Ed Moore;
DeWayne Garner

Prayer List (b/c of space, names appear only once)

- ***DeWayne Garner** (travels to San Antonio today for doctors appt.)
- ***Homer Batchelor** (travels to Houston today for doctors appt.)
- ***Pat Davis** (still having many ups & downs)
- ***Dwight Woods, Sr.** (our sympathy is extended to Mr. Woods' family, he passed away recently)
- ***Noble Bates** (in Wadley)
- ***Lois Burns** (broke her hip and ribs; Doyle Sikes' aunt)
- ***Maudine Sikes** (blood count is low; Doyle Sikes' mother)
- ***Jack Williams** (automobile accident; doing ok, but is sore)
- ***Mildred Watson** (our sympathy is extended to her family, especially Don Watson (former member here @ DeKalb); Mrs. Watson was Don's mother)

Announcements

- *Everyone is invited to Jonathan and Julie's wedding on April 14th (2pm) @ the Dalby's house. (casual dress requested)
- *Happy Birthday to: Bonnie Rodgers (4-9)!
- *Congregational Singing practice - none today, will resume next week.
- *Ladies' Class: Wednesday 10AM. (Elizabeth will begin teaching a new book on prayer entitled "*The Begging Place*". Make plans to attend!)
- *Next Sunday, our youth will travel to Atlanta, TX. Parents, please have your children here @ the bldg no later than 4:30pm.
- *Sunday night, April 22 - the youth are invited to Michael & Elizabeth's house for a devotional. The Gilbert's are providing fingerfoods - guys should bring drinks and girls should bring cookies.
- *Youth Night: April 25th.

Brotherhood Events

- *4th Annual Ladies' Day @ the N. Jefferson Church of Christ, April 14th. (registration begins @ 9:30am; salad luncheon provided @ noon)
- *Gospel Meeting @ Hope Church of Christ, April 15-18, 7pm weeknites.
- *Youth Night @ Atlanta Church of Christ, April 15, 6pm.
- *Ladies' Day @ Pittsburg Church of Christ, April 21, starting @ 9:30am.

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Privileged To Serve...

April 8th

Announcements & 1st Prayer.... Dickie Dalby

Song Leader (AM / PM)...Micah Dawson / Alex Evans

Lord's Table.... Craig Loe, Dwayne Jeffery, & John Loe

Scripture Reading (Communion): Buddy Ray
Scripture Reading (Sermon): Zack Booth

Prayers -- AM & PM

2nd prayer..... Alex Evans

Closing..... Parker Turner

AM Sermon: Victory Over Death and the Grave!

PM Sermon Series: How We Got The Bible

Welcome!

The DeKalb Church of Christ is committed to the 'old paths' (Jer. 6:15). We preach Jesus Christ as the resurrected Son of God (I Cor. 15:1-4) and the Bible as His revealed will for all nations of the earth (Mk. 16:15-16).

We invite you to come worship with us at every opportunity you may have. Should you desire to study the Bible with us in your home, please let us know. We will be happy to give you a Bible answer for your Bible question.

We have three elders: Dickie Dalby, Pat Davis, and John Loe. These men oversee the congregation (Acts 20:28; Heb. 13:7, 17; I Tim. 3:1ff). We also have three deacons - Giles Feazel, Dwayne Jeffery, and Jim Reaves, who serve the congregation in various ways (Acts 6:3; Phil. 1:1; 1 Tim. 3:8ff). Our preacher is Michael Gilbert (2 Tm. 4:2).

**Highlights From
Highlighted Passages**

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise: "that is may be well with you and you may live long on the earth." (Ephesian 6:1-3, NKJV)

It is comforting to know that the Bible contains a message for every human being, including our children.

In our text, Paul encourages youth to practice two things. Young people, if you will trust God and practice these two things, God promises you a long life, and a good life. Please understand this is a general promise, so don't lose faith in God if tragedy strikes your life, or a close friend's life is cut short. You see, sin prevails on the earth, and is it no respecter of persons.

Most young people know someone who doesn't obey their parents. Disobedience will only grow worse and worse, just as the Bible predicted that it would. The book of Romans speaks of those who are "...disobedient to parents..." (Rom. 1:30). But, your parents know what is best for you. God gave you parents for your protection and He expects them to teach you about Him. It is right to listen to them as they teach you about God.

As you grow older, you will learn to "honor your father and mother". Not only will you respect them as they grow older, but you will care for them when they can no longer take care of themselves.

God blesses those who practice these two things with a good and long life.

Victory Over Death and the Grave!

Text: I Cor. 15:20-58

Christ rose...therefore His children will be raised...what a victory!

I. Christ - the Firstfruits (1 Cor. 15:20)

II. The Reign of Christ (1 Cor. 15:24)

III. The Dead in Christ (1 Cor. 15:30)

IV. The Resurrection of the Body (1 Cor. 15:35)

V. The Last Trumpet (1 Cor. 15:52)

How We Got The Bible

Text: 2 Tim. 3:16-17

There will be no outline for this series of lessons...and there is a good reason for that. Every family will be given a nice tract at the conclusion of the series. This full-color, laminated tract is the basic outline of these lessons. The space below will be left open for note-taking during these lessons.

How We Got Our English Bibles...

A Preacher's Perspective...

by Michael Gilbert

**"Depart! Depart! Go out from there, touch no unclean thing; go out from the midst of her; be clean, you who bear the vessels of the Lord."
(Isaiah 52:11, NKJV)**

**"For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's"
(1 Cor. 6:20, NKJV)**

(With these verses in mind, I urge our readers to seriously consider the following article - Michael)

by Frank Chesser

It's Spring again. Naked branches clothe themselves with splendorous color. Brooks sparkle with new life as they course their way through woods and meadows of green. Birds sing, nest, and fly incessantly in search of food for hungry mouths. Butterflies wing their way through sunlit skies. Fish spawn, flowers bloom and glow and newly attired boughs sway gently in balmy breezes as the symphony of nature sings its songs of joy.

It's Spring again. Members of the kingdom, once saved by grace and redeemed by blood have rejoined the ways of the world. Nature robes itself, and man disrobes. Skimpy apparel becomes commonplace. Snakes shed their skin, and men shed their clothes.

Professed Christians cease walking by faith and commence walking by flesh.

In shame, Adam and Eve hid among the trees of Eden. Void of shame, many in spiritual Israel put their partially clad forms on public display. Emerging from the womb of winter, nature arrays itself in resplendent color. Rising from the sphere of worldliness, the image of God wraps itself in the cloak of lasciviousness. Purity gives way to lust.

Teaching on modesty in dress is seldom done and when done, is largely ignored. Such efforts are viewed as archaic and out-of-touch with the times. The extreme permissiveness of modern society has blinded the minds of many in church with regard to the very essence of spirituality. In matters of dress, there is often no distinction to be seen between members of the church and members of the world. Such people are viewed by those in the world as no different from themselves, and thus, have nullified their spiritual magnetism in drawing men to Christ.

There is no justification for joining spring's parade of flesh. Participation cancels the light of one's influence and aligns him with the world. It is wholly inconsistent with the principle of holiness, "without which no man shall see the Lord" (Heb. 12:14). It is lascivious in its very nature and "they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God" (Gal. 5:19-21). *(from "The Forest Hill News", Vol. 29—Num. 18, Forest Hill Church of Christ, Memphis, TN)*