

**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 (11-11-07)

B.C. – 35
A.M. – 56
P.M. – 38
Wed. - 38
Offering – \$1,838
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; DeWayne Garner; Joey Almaraz;
Kellie Fletcher

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

- *Nancy Kier (has the flu)
- *Bill Hawkins (recovering from biopsy, awaiting results)
- *DeWayne Garner (he and Louise are in San Antonio this weekend for a doctor's appointment)
- *Jean Jagers (has not been feeling well lately)
- *Edson & Margaret Reynolds (Edson is having eye problems, Margaret had shoulder surgery last week)
- *We extend our sympathy to **Ginger Moore** in the recent death of her brother.

Announcements

- *There will be **no potluck meals in November & December** due to the holidays.
- *Mid-week services will be held this **Tuesday** because of the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- *Happy Anniversary to the Evans' (11-21)!
- *Singing Practice Today @ 5PM
- *Bible Bowl - study Matthew (chps. 9-12) for the December 10th competition.
- *Ladies Bible Class Wednesday @ 10 AM.
- *Wednesday night the adult class has just started a study of "The Agony & Glory of the Cross" - make plans to attend this special class!
- *Devotional at Sunny Acres today @ 3pm.
- *There will be **no bulletin next week...**the Gilbert's will be out of town. Please turn all announcements into brother Dalby.

Brotherhood Events(see bulletin board for flyers)

- *Family & Friends Day @ **Dotson St.**, today at 2pm.
- *Creation/Evolution Seminar with Dr. Brad Harrub @ **Fouke Community Center**, Dec. 7-9, see flyer for details.

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Privileged To Serve...

November 18th

Announcements & 1st Prayer.... Dickie Dalby

Song Leader (AM / PM)...John Gibbert

Lord's Table.... Buddy Ray, Giles Feazel, and Craig Loe

Scripture Reading (Communion): Michael Gilbert

Scripture Reading (Sermon): Michael Gilbert (Acts 20:13)

Prayers -- AM & PM

2nd prayer.....Alex Evans

Closing..... Doyle Raney

AM Sermon: Am I Ready To Die?

PM Sermon: Q & A Session

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 two elders: Dickie Dalby 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**

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth..." (Matt. 6:19)

"Materialism" is commonly used in two different senses. (a) Philosophical materialism is the idea that nothing exists except that which is material in nature (i.e., composed of matter). There is, therefore, no spiritual Being known as "God" (Jn. 4:24). Moreover, man, according to this view, does not possess a "soul" or "spirit." He is totally a material being. When his body dies, his existence is over. This philosophy is terribly inadequate to explain so many things. For example, it cannot explain the origin of the Universe. Since the Universe is not eternal, and inasmuch as no material thing has the ability to create itself, materialism is left with no explanation as to its genesis. Materialism cannot explain the numerous traits unique to mankind, e.g., a sense of right and wrong, emotions like love, compassion, or a sense of esthetics, e.g., beauty. Materialism is a cold, dark ideology with no logic or comfort. (b) Practical materialism is the attempt to find lasting satisfaction in material things. It reflects a lifestyle wherein one lives as if there is nothing but matter. It finds an expression in covetousness, greed, slavish ambition to get ahead, unconcern for the needs of others, etc. (see Mt. 6:19ff; Lk. 12:15ff; 16:19ff). This ideology ignores the reality that the material is temporal, while the non-material is eternal (2 Cor. 4:18). (Jackson, 119-120)

George Washington's Initial Thanksgiving Proclamation - 1789

(Thanksgiving was first celebrated by the settlers at Plymouth in the Massachusetts colony in 1621 under the leadership of Governor William Bradford. Washington and Madison each issued a Thanksgiving proclamation once during their Presidencies. It was not until 1863, however, when Lincoln issued his Thanksgiving Day Proclamation that the holiday was established as a national annual event, occurring on the last Thursday of November. The first observance of the national holiday came one week after the dedication of the Soldiers National Cemetery at Gettysburg. The language of the proclamation is beautiful and marked by a rare felicity of expression.)

Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor -- and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me "to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness."

Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be -- That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks -- for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation -- for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the tranquility [sic], union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed- for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national One now lately instituted -- for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions -- to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually -- to render our national government a blessing to all the people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed -- to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shewn [sic] kindness onto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord -- To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the encrease [sic] of science among them and us -- and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

George Washington

Wishing you and your family a...

Happy Thanksgiving!

May we always thank God for:

The Salvation We Enjoy in Christ

"And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief"
(1 Tim. 1:12-13)

The Blessings of Family

"An excellent wife is the crown of her husband...Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord...Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them..."
(Prov. 12:4; Ps. 127:3,5)

Our Nation

"No king is saved by the multitude of an army; a mighty man is not delivered by great strength...Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His mercy...He is our help and our shield"
(Ps. 33:16-20)