

**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**

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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)

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**Record (4-27-08)**

**B.C. – 30**

**A.M. – 57**

**P.M. – 26**

**Wed. - 25**

**Offering – \$1,410**

**Wkly Bdg. - \$1,702**

**News & Notes**

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**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; Jean Jagers; Homer Batchelor; DeWayne Garner; Joey  
Almaraz; Kellie Fletcher

**Prayer List**

\***John Loe** (at home recovering from surgery and managing without needing any  
pain meds, so this is good - just pray that this latest procedure will give him the  
relief he needs)

\***Dot Swint** (wants to be present, but her health has prevented her very often  
lately)

\***Jack Williams** (at home recovering from surgery)

\***Linda Batchelor** (at home recovering from surgery)

\***Johnny Gilbert** (at home recovering from surgery)

\***Dewayne Garner** (at home recovering)

\***Linda Mabry** (hospice has been called in to care for her; Sharon Jeffery's  
cousin)

\***Claudia Burk** (not doing well, hospice has been called in; sister-in-law of Louis  
Garner, and Dewayne's aunt)

\*We extend our comfort to sister **Sherry Ray** in the passing of her aunt, **Doris  
Frazier**. Interment was Wednesday in Delight, AR.

\***Bobby Potts** (not doing well...life support tubes were removed this week; 610S  
@ Wadley)

\***Bo Shumake** (left for the Navy last week; friend of several of our young people)

**Announcements**

\***Birthday:** Bobby Batchelor (5-3), Kayla McCauley (5-4), and Genita Dalby  
(5-9)!

\***Ladies' Bible Class** will meet today @ 5pm.

\***Parents** - some faithful brethren have started a publication called "*Ignite*",  
which is for Christian Teens. If you are interested in subscribing for your children,  
see the flyer on the board.

**Brotherhood Events** (see bulletin board for flyers)

\***Prom Alternative @ Mt. Vernon**, this Friday night. A chaperoned lock-in will  
follow the formal event.

\***Gospel Meeting @ Blodgett** - May 4-7, 7PM. Randy Daw will be speaking.

\*2nd Annual Young Men's Retreat @ Beaver's Bend Youth Camp #2, sponsored  
by the Broken Bow church of Christ, May 16th - May 18th. Michael has  
volunteered to transport the young men to this event. Please let him know if you  
plan on attending. We will be staying overnight in the campground, so you will  
need to pack accordingly. See Michael for more info.

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**Privileged To Serve...**

**May 4th**

**Announcements & 1<sup>st</sup> Prayer....** Dickie Dalby

**Song Leader (AM & PM)...**John Gibbert

**Lord's Table....** Doyle Raney, Charlie Gonzales, Phillip Raney

**Scripture Readings**

**Communion.....**Mitchell Weeks (Matt. 26:26-28)

**Sermon.....** Michael Gilbert (1 Jn. 2:28)

**Prayers -- AM & PM**

**2<sup>nd</sup> prayer.....**John Gibbert

**Closing.....**Buddy Ray

**AM Sermon:** *Having Confidence At Christ's 2nd Coming*

**PM Sermon:** *Called, Sanctified, Preserved!*

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**Welcome!**

The DeKalb Church of Christ is committed to the 'old paths' (Jer. 6:16). 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**

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*"In the beginning, God created the  
heaven and the earth" (Gen. 1:1)*

The creation was the act of an omnipotent (all-powerful) God, speaking into existence, from no previous materials, the entire Universe and all that is within it. This concept is unique to Judaic/Christian theology. The doctrine of fiat creation is affirmed in both Testaments (Gen. 1:1-2:25; Ps. 33:9; Jn. 1:1-3; Rom. 1:20; Heb. 11:3), to mention but a fraction of the references.

The Biblical doctrine of creation is foundational to the balance of the Bible. The creation account, and the immediate events that followed, undergird: (a) The affirmation of man's dignity; his is made in the image of God. (b) The responsibility of humanity—those created, to the Creator (cf. Rom. 9:21); man is required to obey his God. (c) The foundation of the home—the exclusively male/female relationship that constitutes marriage, along with the one-man for one-woman arrangement. (d) The origin and consequences of human sin. (e) The first glimpse of heaven's plan of redemption (Gen. 3:15).

The theory of evolution, concocted by wicked man who desires to be free of divine restraint, proposes another explanation for human existence. Darwinism is a baseless ideology, supported by neither Scripture nor science. (Jackson, 38)

## ***Having Confidence At Christ's Coming***

*1 Jn. 2:28*

### ***I. John's "Goal" For His "Little Children" (1 Jn. 2:28)***

- A. To have "confidence" at his coming
  
- B. To "not be ashamed" at His coming

### ***II. John's "Solution" For Obtaining This Goal (1 Jn. 2:28)***

- A. "Abide in Him"
  
- B. Abiding in Christ means...
  - 1. Letting Jesus' words abide in us
  
  - 2. Keeping His word

## ***Called, Sanctified, Preserved!***

*Jude 1*

### ***I. We Are A "Called" People***

- A. Those "in Christ" have been called...
  
- B. This "call" came through the gospel
  
- C. Having answered this "call", our responsibility is to "make our calling and election sure".

### ***II. We Are A "Sanctified" People***

- A. What does "sanctify" mean?
  
- B. The Father "sanctifies" us through the Holy Spirit
  
- C. Sanctification doesn't mean sinless perfection, but it does mean...
  - 1. I must give up sin (1 Cor. 6:11)
  
  - 2. I must sever ties with the world (Ps. 1:1, 1 Cor. 15:33, etc.)

### ***III. We Are "Preserved" People***

- A. What does it mean to be "preserved"?
  
- B. I must also "preserve myself"...