

**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)

Record (6-29-08)

B.C. – 29
A.M. – 54
P.M. – 32
Wed. - 39
Offering – \$1,457
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; Jean Jagers; DeWayne Garner; Joey Almaraz; Kellie
Fletcher; Jane Turner

Prayer List

*Our sympathy is extended to **the family of Jean Jagers**. Sister Jagers passed from this life last Sunday morning...her funeral was Thursday.

***Gregory Henderson** (Gregory's medical problems seem to be getting worse. He is the son of Paula Booth's co-worker, and she requests our earnest prayers on his behalf)

***Andrea Rodriguez** (Andrea is able to be back at work, at least on a "part-time" basis)

***Jerry Herron** (still in Shreveport VA hospital as doctors try to save his foot; Jerry is a cousin of Doyle Sikes)

***Linda Batchelor** (Linda's chemo treatments make her very sick...and even though this sickness is somewhat expected with chemo, we still need to pray for her)

***Lloyd Bible** (will undergo colon cancer surgery tomorrow...he is 89 years old. This is Michael's uncle)

***Dottie Beckett** (has started having seizures due to the inoperable brain tumor...and our family requests your prayers. Dottie is the sister-in-law of Michael's brother)

***Nancy Kier** (Nancy wants her church family to know that she will be going to an assisted living facility in Texarkana. She doesn't know when or where she will be going yet, but wanted to make it known and request our prayers on her behalf)

***Kellie Fletcher** (Kellie is in the Army and is now stationed in Iraq. She is the granddaughter of Nancy Kier)

Announcements

***Birthday:** Linda Loe's birthday was last week (7-2)...this week JoAnn Batchelor (7-8), and Heather Sikes (7-10) celebrate birthdays!

*The SYBSNET is here tomorrow night at 7pm. As you know, we are will be providing food. We encourage every member to attend this event!

*Micah is planning on taking a group of young people to the singing at the Bethel church of Christ in Waldo, AR on Friday, July 11. The group will leave the church building @ 4pm, and will eat dinner @ CiCi's (dutch-treat).

*Our annual trip to the Mesquite Rodeo will be July 25th...and if you haven't told Dewayne Jeffery that you plan on going, please do so very soon so he can get the tickets.

*Don't forget to pray for our upcoming VBS July 27 - 31!

*Alex and Deborah Evans new address is 3609 Connie Lane, Texarkana, TX 75503 and their phone # is 903-223-7899.

Brotherhood Events(see bulletin board for flyers)

*SYBSNET here @ DeKalb tomorrow evening at 7pm.

*MFCC Middle School Session July 6-11

*Haskell Singing School - July 6-11, 2008

*MFCC Junior Session July 13-18.

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Privileged To Serve...

July 6th

Announcements & 1st Prayer.... Dickie Dalby

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

Lord's Table.... John Loe, Giles Feazel, Dwayne Jeffery

Scripture Readings

Communion.....Michael Gilbert (Mark 14:22-25)

Sermon..... Mitchell Weeks (1 Tim. 2:1-4)

Prayers -- AM & Afternoon

2nd prayer.....Parker Turner

Closing.....Buddy Ray

AM Sermon: Praying for Those in Authority

PM Sermon: 4 Blessings in Christ

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**

"Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth...evil concupiscence.." (Col. 3:5)

Whereas inordinate affection seemed to refer to a deep-seated evil passion or desire to do evil, especially – but not limited to – evil sexual sins. It seems to be an overwhelming, intense desire toward anything sinful (Trench, 339-341; Vine's, 244). In this respect, "inordinate affection" seems to be more "general" in nature, while evil concupiscence seems to be a little more "specific" in nature and more "intensified" than inordinate affection.

The Greek word for concupiscence, *epithumia*, is used in both good and bad senses in the NT (Vine's, 244). Jesus said, "With fervent desire (epithumia) I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer" (Lk. 22:15, NKJV). Jesus knew He was about to partake of His last earthly Passover with His disciples and He had something vitally important to tell them (i.e., the institution of the memorial feast) – hence, the "fervent desire" with which He desired to eat it with them. Concerning the evil side of this word, the inspired apostle Paul charged Christians to "mortify" this sin. Therefore, Christians are not only to refrain from yielding to temptation, but also must learn to mortify (put to death) in the mind the evil desires that lead to temptation. Therefore, evil concupiscence seems to be the sin of "dwelling upon" and "intensely lusting after" the pleasures of sin. Knowledge of self and temperance are essentials in overcoming this sin.

Seven Things Jesus Won't Ask in the Judgment Day

by Michael Gilbert (adapted)

The following points were taken from a short article someone gave me several years ago. You have probably seen these points before, most likely in one of those pesky "forwarded emails" that plague our "inboxes"! Whether you have seen it or not, I think it is something we need to ponder!

The judgment day is real...Scripture declares it to be so (Eccl. 11:9-10; 12:13-14). The Christ preached a Judgment Day (Jn. 12:48), and that Judgment Day is as sure as death (Heb. 9:27). Paul often reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come with his audiences...who could forget his sermons to Felix (Acts 24:25), to the Athenians (Acts 17:29-31), and to the Corinthians (2 Cor. 5:10-11).

In the Judgment Day, Christ will no longer be our Savior, but our Judge (Mt. 25:31-34, 41, 46)...and there are at least seven things that He won't ask us on that Day...

Jesus Won't Ask What Kind of Car You Drove

He'll ask, "Did you use it for My glory, and to serve My People?" (Jn. 13:14)

Jesus Won't Ask The Square Footage of Your House

He'll ask, "How many people did you welcome into your home?" (Rom. 12:13), and He'll ask, "How many souls did you invite into My house?" (I Tm.3:15;Is. 2:3; Mk. 16:15)

Jesus Won't Ask How Many Clothes You Had In Your Closet

He'll ask, "How many people did you clothe?" (Mt. 25:35-40), and "Did you imitate My servant Dorcas?" (Acts 9:36-39)

Jesus Won't Ask What Your Highest Salary Was

He'll ask, "Did you ruin your reputation and integrity to obtain it?" (Prov. 22:1), and "Did you use your money to help those in need?" (I Tim. 6:17-19)

Jesus Won't Ask What Your Job Title Was

He'll ask, "Did you perform your job to the best of your ability?" (Rom. 12:17; Eph. 6:5-8) and, "Did you compromise your faith to get that title?" (Dan. 3:16-18, 30)

Jesus Won't Ask What Neighborhood You Lived In

He'll ask, "How did you treat your neighbors?" (Luke 10:29-37)

Jesus Won't Ask About The Color Of Your Skin

He'll ask, "What is the content of your character?" (Acts 10:34-35)

Now that we have celebrated our great nation's birthday, let's ponder the reason for her greatness as described in the short poem below...and let's always strive to be the type of church that made this nation great! Hope everyone had a great 4th of July!

Michael

America Is Great Because She Is Good

**I sought for the greatness and genius of America
in her commodious harbors and her ample rivers,
and it was not there...**

**...in her fertile fields and boundless forests,
and it was not there...**

**...in her rich mines and her vast world commerce,
and it was not there...**

**in her democratic Congress and her matchless
Constitution,
and it was not there...**

**Not until I went into the churches of America,
and heard her pulpits aflame with righteousness,
did I understand the secret
of her genius and power.**

**America is great because she is good,
and if America ever ceases to be good,
she will cease to be great.**

--this quote is often attributed to Alexis de' Toqueville,
although the authorship is uncertain--