

**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 (7-13-08)

B.C. - 27
A.M. - 60
P.M. - 38
Wed. - N/A
Offering - \$1,621
Wkly Bdg. - \$1,7

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; DeWayne Garner; Joey Almaraz; Kellie Fletcher; Jane
Turner

Prayer List (updated on Tuesday...so please forgive any oversights!!!)

- *Landon Rodgers (doctors expect that Landon will feel bad for a couple more weeks as a result of his latest procedure)
- *Carlos Rodgers (Bonnie requests our prayers on his behalf as he battles cancer)
- *Gregory Henderson (still in Shreveport Children's hospital in very serious condition. A bank account has been opened on his behalf @ the State Bank of DeKalb)
- *Linda Batchelor (is at MD Anderson this week for treatments)
- *Lloyd Bible (should come home today (Tuesday)...This is Michael's great-uncle)
- *Dottie Beckett (is battling several blood clots in her legs and her lungs; Dottie is Michael's sister-in-law)
- *Nancy Kier (Nancy is in St. Michael's with pneumonia, room 530)
- *Sandy Rae (began chemotherapy on Thursday to treat a tumor in her chest area. Sandy is the wife of John Rae, a friend of Bill Hawkins)
- *Michelle McDaniel (fell and broke some ribs and has some bumps & bruises; this is Dot Swint's daughter)
- *Justin Garner (will be going to Iraq; DeWayne Garner's son)
- *Michael Gilbert (is at MD Anderson for tests to determine if he has cancer)

Announcements

- *Don't forget our Potluck Meal after next Sunday's AM worship service...Make plans to attend!
- ***Birthday:** Jack Dodson (7-22)!
- ***Sunny Acres Devotional Service** will be today @ 3pm...come if you can!
- *Our young people will be traveling to the **Summer Youth Series @ Oak Grove** tomorrow evening at 7:30pm (note: time is changed for this week's event only)...we will leave the building around 6:30 (?) - Please see Micah if you plan on attending this event.
- *Our annual trip to the **Mesquite Rodeo** will be July 25th (this Friday).
- *Don't forget to pray for our upcoming **VBS July 27 - 31!**

Brotherhood Events(see bulletin board for flyers)

- ***Summer Youth Series** will be @ Oak Grove tomorrow evening @ 7:30pm.
- ***Teacher's Workshop** with Warren & Carolyn Wilcox at the Broken Bow congregation, August 15-16. Specific times to be announced later.

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Privileged To Serve...

July 20th

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 (1 Cor. 11:23-29)

Sermon..... Seth Salinas (1 Pet. 1:3-5)

Prayers -- AM & Afternoon

2nd prayer.....Jim Reaves

Closing.....Doyle Sikes

AM Sermon: Guest Speaker

PM Sermon: Guest Speaker

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**

*"The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein"
(Psalm 24:1)*

There are some words that we use which never appear in the Bible...but the concept is clearly seen. Such is the case with the term "sovereign".

The term "sovereign" denotes the right that God has to rule the Universe. (Note that the word "reign" is contained within "sovereign.") Jehovah has this "right" because he is the Creator, and therefore the Owner, of every thing that has been made (Ps. 24:1; Mt. 20:15). Does not the potter have a "right" over the clay (see Rom. 9:20-21; cf. Eph. 1:11)? It is the epitome of arrogance to suggest otherwise (cf. Isa. 29:16).

If one expects to enjoy heaven, he must yield to the sovereign will of God as made known through the sacred Scriptures (see I Chron. 29:11; Ezek. 18:4; Dan. 4:23). This yielding is prompted by a recognition of His sovereignty and love for God because He sent His Son to die for us (1 Jn. 4:19). (Jackson, 169)

Where Would You Expect to Find Flood Fossils?

Dave Miller, Ph.D. (ApologeticsPress.org)

If the Bible is the inspired Word of God, its record of the global Flood is completely factual (Genesis 6-9). If the entire world was at one time covered in water for over a year, then one would expect to find evidence of sea life on mountains all over the world. If, on the other hand, the Bible is dismissed out of hand as fiction, one would have to postulate alternative explanations to account for the physical evidence on Earth that point to a global Flood. Rather than interpreting this evidence in the context of catastrophic turbulence that occurred quickly and briefly, one would have to cling persistently to the notion of naturalistic forces operating slowly over long periods of geologic time. This tactic is precisely what commands (or shall we say strangles?) the thinking of geologists, biologists, and other scientists who assume an evolutionary hypothesis.

One recent example of this blind commitment to bias is a research team's evaluation of a recent discovery. Researcher's were "surprised to find thick layers of ancient lake sediment filled with plant, fish and animal fossils typical of far lower elevations and warmer, wetter climates" ("Fossils Found..." 2008). The fossil evidence was found 15,000 feet high on Tibet's desolate Himalayan-Tibetan Plateau, the rock desert and cold, treeless steppes comprising Earth's highest land mass ("Fossils Found..."). According to the lead researcher, the finding, which "calls into question the validity of methods commonly used by scientists to reconstruct the past elevations of the region," "has yielded surprising results that are inconsistent with the popular view of Tibetan uplift" ("Fossils Found...", emp. added).

It never seems to bother evolutionary scientists to put forth their imaginary machinations to account for the condition of the Earth and life on it, to do so with an air of scientific certainty, even infallibility, and have their claims transmitted to school textbooks for children to absorb as scientific fact, only to recant their original assertions as "called into question" and "inconsistent with the popular view." Since time and again, yesterday's scientific "fact" has become today's superstition, with "scientific" theories relegated to the dust bin of ignorance, why give credence to today's half-baked conjuring?

Understand, you senseless among the people; and you fools, when will you be wise?
He who planted the ear, shall He not hear? He who formed the eye, shall He not see?
He who instructs the nations, shall He not correct, He who teaches man knowledge?
The Lord knows the thoughts of man, that they are futile. Blessed is the man whom
You instruct, O Lord, and teach out of Your law (Psalm 94:8-12).

Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you seems to be wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their own craftiness"; and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile" (1 Corinthians 3:18-20).

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(article taken from <http://apologeticspress.org/articles/3752>)

Obeying The Gospel

By Ron Boatwright

The word "**gospel**" literally means good news or good tidings. What does the Bible say that the gospel is? 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 says,

"Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel...by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received; that Christ **died** for our sins according to the scriptures, and that He was **buried**, and that He **rose** again the third day according to the scriptures."

Here we see the good news of the gospel is that Christ died, and was buried, and was raised again on the third day. Also notice, they were saved by the gospel.

In 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9 we read that,

"When the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on **those who do not obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.**"

Here we see that vengeance will be taken on those who obey not the gospel of Christ.

How do we obey the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord so that vengeance will not be taken on us? Romans 6:3-5 says,

"Or do you not know, that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His **death**? Therefore we were **buried** with Him through baptism into death: that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His **resurrection.**"

So we see in obeying the gospel we are baptized into His death, we are buried with Him through baptism, and then just as Christ was raised up from the dead, we also are raised **to walk in newness of life** after baptism. Only after baptism are we born again and our new life in Christ begins. Only in baptism does our old sinful person die and our new person rises free from sin.