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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:30 AM
AM Worship10:25 AM
PM Worship6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....7:00 PM


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THOSE TO SERVE MARCH 29

AM PRAYERS Ernest Shelton Scott Hobson	PM PRAYERS Dave Conley Jim Scarbrough
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BIBLE LESSON TEXT

Sun. March 29—The Boy Brought Back
to Life
2 Kings 4:8-41



Wed. April 1—Naaman
2 Kings 5

OUR FAITH IN ACTION
SUNDAY, March 22, 2015

Bible Classes.....	66
AM Worship.....	91
PM Worship.....	100
Contribution.....	\$3,803.26
Average to Date.....	\$3,238.31
Budget to Date.....	\$3,243.00
Wednesday, Mar.18.....93	



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Be Authentic

Authenticity is a big buzz-word in our culture today. We want people to be authentic—to be their true selves—and not to string us along with some contrived identity for some less-than-noble purpose. The Bible doesn't use the word "authentic," but it does use the word "sincere" and often "authentic" is what the Bible means by the word. Paul prayed that the church at Philippi would grow so that they could be sincere (Philippians 1:9-10). The Greek word for "sincere" means to judge by sunlight, or sift by rolling. The result of the process is purity, and sincerity is purity of person.

An authentic person who is not a Christian maintains some kind of identity. However, one's identity can and does change during life. One typically becomes what one desires to be. We are not born with a fixed identity. The standard of what is right and wrong is not inside of us (Jeremiah 10:23). Many make the mistake that authenticity is equivalent to goodness; it isn't. Authenticity is necessary, but not sufficient.

We need Christ in our life because with Christ we can be both authentic and righteous. We accept Christ as our identity by being baptized into His body (Romans 6:1-11). When we do this, not only do we find identity for ourselves, but we are restored to what God intended us to be as authentic humans. Many other identities will compete with our Christian identity and challenge us, but as long as we are faithful, we will return to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls (1 Peter 2:25). Being authentic means that we are true to our identity and we don't try to be something that we are not. Ultimately, that human identity is found in Christ. God bless you, and I love you.

Kevin Cauley



Remember In Prayer

Peyton Richardson (*grand daughter of Janiece Richardson*); Jan Lansford (*sister-in-law of the Raney*); and DeWayne Hardage.

Prayer Concerns: Melba Spencer; Faye Anderson; Marie McPherson; Keith Clark; Hubert & Glenda May; Phil Williams; Michelle Williams Pasley; Henry & Gladys Ann Murray; Nelda Stinson; J.D. & Thelma Johnson; Lonetta Cozart; Marsha Burkhalter; Winnie Tucker; Martha Downs; Ricky Champion; John Davis; Lucy Myers (Andrea Tyndell's grandmother); Junior Hammonds; Homer Batchelor; Lou Johnson (DeKalb Nursing Home).

Continue to pray for our nation and military: Rusty Castillo (James Bateman's grandson).

April Activities

April 10th---**Area Wide Singing @** Franklin Dr. Church of Christ @ 7 PM

April 12th---**Learning to Serve @** 3 PM

April 13th---**Bible Bowl @** N. Jefferson with New Boston as hosts.

April 14th---**Ladies Night Out**

April 12th-15th---**Gospel Meeting @** Franklin Dr. Church of Christ

April 18th---**Spring Gospel Meeting @** Hope Church of Christ 9 AM to 11:30 AM

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Family of Lou Johnson. Our sister in Christ passed away Saturday, March 21st. Lou was a wonderful example of a Christian wife and mother. We will keep the Johnson family in our thoughts and prayers during this time. Services for Lou were on Tuesday.

Our prayers and deepest sympathy is extended to Laura Crawford & family upon the passing of her daughter, Teal, in Costa Rica on Monday. May our Lord comfort them and give them peace at this time.

GOD'S SALVATION PLAN

1. *HEAR the gospel*

Romans 10:17

2. *Believe on the Lord & His Word*

Mark 16:16; John 8:24

3. *REPENT of our sins*

Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30

4. *CONFESS Christ*

Matthew 10:32; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9

5. *BE BAPTIZED for the remission of sins*

Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; 1 Peter 3:21

6. *Live a FAITHFUL, dedicated life*

Revelation 2:10; 2 Peter 1:5-10

If The Shoe Fits.....

There are a few things more uncomfortable than trying to wear a pair of shoes that simply do not fit. On the other hand, there is nothing more frustrating than finding shoes in the style you've been looking for, but unable to find your size. The old cliché, *If the shoe fits, wear it*, illustrates both these points. Sometimes we try to squeeze into "shoes" that are the wrong size or the wrong style for us. So, what type of "shoe" fits you---spiritually speaking? Are you a person who wears **LOAFERS**? Do you want to get by with doing as little as possible? Are you the type of person who wants to do just enough to miss hell and barely get into heaven? If so, consider the rebuke give to the one talent man of *Matthew 25:26*. Perhaps the **SLIPPER** is your shoe of choice. This fits the person who simply slips in and out of services. The one who slips around quietly hoping no one will notice him and ask him to work. He hopes he can slip by in life and then slip into heaven. Some people seem to enjoy wearing **FLIP-FLOPS**. You know, the person who is faithful for a time and then falls away. He is not happy in the world, but apparently is not happy in the church. It reminds me of the lukewarm person in *Revelation 3:15*. Then there are those who enjoy wearing **HIGH HEELS**. This is that person who is haughty, proud and arrogant. He feels he is better than everyone else because of his money, education, position, etc. The Bible sternly warns us against wearing such shoes as these (*Romans 12: 3; Psalm 101: 5*). Those who prefer **OVERSHOES** are the ones who only uses Christianity and the church in times of distress, but then lays them aside when things get better. This is similar to the person who wears only **SUNDAY SHOES**, and is a Christian on Sundays only. The man who wears **HOUSE SHOES** wants things nice and comfortable. Anything that requires effort or work is shunned, as is standing up for that which is right lest he makes waves in his Ocean of Placidity. Oh, that everyone would find a pair of **WORK SHOES** to wear in service to the King. These are really the only shoes a Christian needs. So, which shoe fits you?

Copied Bulletin Digest

Robert Lambert



"Happy Birthday" to Marli Thomas on the 30th and Gavin Cauley on the 31st.

"Happy Anniversary" to Mr. & Mrs. Thomas McGee on the 31st. & Mr. & Mrs. Scott Overstreet on April 4th.