

Worship 7:45am

*Standing Firm on the Word
Staying Focused on the Mission
As we continue our Journey to Wellness in 2009*

FIRST SUNDAY † APRIL 5, 2009

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY EMPHASIS

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MUSICAL PRELUDE

DEVOTION

GREETING OF GUESTS & VISITORS.....
Deacon James Brinson Family Ministry

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE *"Oh Magnify the Lord"*

WORSHIP *"I Will Sing"*

CORPORATE PRAYER

CONTINUING IN WORSHIP..... *"I Will Sing"*

TITHES & OFFERING

Offertory Prayer/Choir Selection..... *"Hosanna"*

SERMON *Pastor Dennis Mitchell*

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

(In consideration of others and our compelling desire to reach others for Christ, please do not leave during this serious time of commitment).

HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Music

"Sweet Communion" "Let Us Break Bread Together"

CLOSING HYMN/BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

CONTINUE WORSHIP ~ THROUGH MINISTRY OF SERVICE

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MUSICAL PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

GREETING OF GUESTS & VISITORS.....
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE *"Because He Lives"*

WORSHIP *"Is Your All On The Altar"*

CORPORATE PRAYER

CONTINUING IN WORSHIP..... *"Is Your All On The Altar"*

TITHES & OFFERING

Offertory Prayer/Choir Selection..... *All Is Well"*

SERMON *Pastor Dennis Mitchell*

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Communion Music

Sadie T. McCalep Hand Bell Choir

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POSTLUDE

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Announcements

AIB-TV has presented Greenforest with the 2009 Allen Award for Best Faith-Based Program. The award honors broadcast excellence that seeks to encourage and celebrate the human spirit. This is the fourth AIB award that Greenforest has received. The awards ceremony will air during the month of April. The Greenforest broadcast airs on AIB on Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. and Mondays at 5:30 a.m.

Holy Spirit Discernment Session

The next Holy Spirit Discernment Session will be held on **April 18th at 8:30am in the Genesis Room**. The minutes and questions and answers from the last Holy Spirit Discernment Session are now available online at the Greenforest website.

MISSIONS



The **Annie Armstrong Easter Offering** is much more than an offering envelope and an annual missions-giving emphasis. When you give to the offering, 100 percent of

your gift will be transformed into missionary support. This support translates into missionaries and supplies helping others hear the message of Christ and respond in faith to His offer of salvation. Time and again these missionaries relate how the offering is their lifeblood. They know that behind each penny given, there is a Southern Baptist who believes in what they do and are affirming the need to equip them to share the gospel with those who need a Savior.



The **African Children's Choir** will be in concert in the Greenforest Sanctuary on Sunday May 3, 2009 at 5:00pm. The concert will feature traditional, spiritual and contemporary songs. Their mission is "to help Africa's most vulnerable children today, so they can help Africa tomorrow". The concert is an extension of our mission effort and will involve all ministry teams. Please come out and encourage these musically gifted children.

Girls in Action are collecting toiletries for the Set Free Shelter on Memorial Drive. Please label your toiletries GA and place them in the First Fruit Box thru April 19th. Contact Chenelle Mosley at 404 250-9794 for more information.

Children's Chapel Minister, Pheneik Baskett, is **seeking volunteers to assist in Children's Chapel** on the 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays. If willing to serve, please sign up in the church office. **Children's Chapel will not be held on Easter Sunday.**

Coming Soon

One Great Day of Connection...

Count down has begun and the time many have been waiting for is almost here: **ONE GREAT DAY OF CONNECTION on Saturday, April 11.**

Greenforest will hit the streets to knock on doors, talk with people on the street, intercept them wherever they may be and inquire if they know the Lord Jesus as their personal Savior. We will meet at the ELC at 8:45am for training and prayer before getting final instructions to hit the streets in cars, vans, buses, any and every mode of transportation.

Please sign up today in the vestibule and on the back porch and indicate if you would like to be a team leader.



THE PASTOR'S CUP

WEIGHT LOSS AND FITNESS CHALLENGE

Join the Pastor's Cup challenge! This weight loss fitness challenge allows us to provide support to one another while also seeking to improve our health and increase our health awareness.

- 8 week challenge – April 13th – June 2nd
- Official Sign up April 5th, 8th, 11th & 12th
- Each participant will be assigned to a TEAM for encouragement and weekly monitoring
- After teams are organized, weigh-in dates will be established and participants will be contacted.
- Team results will be posted weekly
- Participants will receive weekly professional health and fitness tips
- Final official weigh-in and measurements: June 3rd, 6th & 7th
- Winners announced Sunday, June 14th.

Meet Your DEACON

Do you know who your Deacon is?

Do you know others in your family ministry?

Mark your calendars now to meet your Deacon and connect with others in your Deacon Family Ministry.

When: **Sunday, April 26, 2009**

Where: Family Life Center (gym) immediately following the 10:45am service.

All deacon clusters will host each Deacon Family Ministry in what will be a "Family Affair" for all. Light refreshments will be served as we come together to mingle and fellowship in our Family ministries and plan for the upcoming year.

Please be on the lookout for correspondence in your home mailbox!

More Announcements

Volunteers Needed: Easter Weekend!

Brothers (youth and men) are needed for the Breakfast following Sunrise Service on Resurrection Sunday in the Family Life Center. Volunteers should be available for set-up Saturday April 11th at 10:30 am and the break-down/clean-up will be on Sunday April 12th. Men are also asked to contribute \$20.00 as part of the recovery cost for the breakfast. Please make a notation on your envelope "Resurrection Day Breakfast."

"Life After Layoff"

Recently laid off? Does looking for another job overwhelm you? *Let the Career Ministry help you!* Join us **Saturday, April 25th 10:00am-12:00noon** in the Genesis Room for "Life After Layoff" an informational and impactful session guiding you through the emotional strain of job loss in this economy. Come receive biblical principles and job search strategies. Please RSVP by Thursday, April 23 at careerministry@greenforest.org.

Pastoral Care Training

The Pastoral Care Team is pleased to announce Pastoral Care Ministry Training! YOU are invited to come in, sit down, buckle up, and get ready for the ministry ride of your life. As you prepare yourself to do the work of pastoral care, it is our prayer that this training will open your spiritual eyes causing you to look for opportunities in your everyday life for the growth of God's kingdom and for His glory.

The 7-week training sessions begin each Wednesday, April 15th through Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at 7:30pm in Bldg 2 Room 105. Please plan to join us as we work to carry out God's work through Pastoral Care.

D&TSC Excellence in Health Sciences Scholarship



The Dialysis and Transplantation Support Services Center (D&TSC) invites high school seniors to apply for their "Excellence in Health Sciences Scholarship" awarding a \$1,000 per year in college for up to four years.

This Scholarship supports future medical researchers, doctors, nurses and medical technicians. Applicants must have a minimum high school GPA of 3.3 and intended to major in pre-med, nursing, biological science fields, chemistry, biochemistry, genetics, bio-engineering, or other medical/ health-science field to be eligible to apply.

The application deadline is Wed, April 15, 2009. To download the application & eligibility requirements, visit www.greenforest.org/resources/scholarships/index.cfm

Bereavement/Thank You Notes

Prayers are extended to the following families in their time of bereavement:

The family of Sis. Illona Outlaw (EH) whose mother, Louise Houston, was funeralized on April 4th in Buffalo, New York

The family of Bro. Michael Hall (employee at Greenforest) who will be funeralized on Tuesday, April 7th at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church.

Thank you expressions were received from the following:

The family of Myra Alexander: Thank you for the many expressions of sympathy in the home going of my mother, Mildred D. Smith. Your thoughtfulness meant so much to me during this difficult time.

The family of Dea. Eugene Smith is thankful for your prayers, cards and condolences expressed during the bereavement of his aunt, Mary Crenshaw.

Greenforest Community Baptist Church

Budget and Contributions Report -March 2009

UNIFIED BUDGET

| Year | Budget | March | YTD Actual | YTD Budget | Variance |
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| 2009 | \$4,200,000 | \$395,180 | \$1,048,330 | \$1,024,800 | \$23,530 |
| 2008 | \$4,500,000 | \$440,749 | \$1,148,786 | \$1,121,251 | \$27,535 |

Rehearsal Schedule for Holy Week Events

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| April 7 | 6:30pm | Combined Choirs |
| April 9 | 6:30pm | Combined Choirs & Cast (Dress Rehearsal) |
| April 11 | 9:00am | FH Program Rehearsal |
| April 11 | 12:00pm | Combined Choir Rehearsal |

The Ushers Ministry invites the church to attend the mid-year fellowship on Saturday, April 18th from 12:30-3:30pm at the ELC, Genesis Room. The cost is \$17.00/person. Please contact Ernie Merrit at 404 289-8760 or Nathan Johnson at 404 288-1995. All monies are due by April 4th, 2009.

The Greenforest-McCaleb Christian Early Learning Center is offering an enrollment fee special of \$125.00 for the months of March and April 2009 for all new and re-enrolling students. Also, please join the GMCELC for Open House on April 8, 2009 from 9:30a.m. – 12:00p.m. Ask your friends & neighbors to join us & view our program. Additionally, **Informational Tours** will be provided on April 14, 21, or 28th from 6:45-7:45pm.

This Week at the 'Forest'

April 6-April 12, 2009

Monday, April 6

6:30pm Wellness Nutrition Class
7:00pm Prayer Ministry
Brotherhood Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, April 7

6:30am Morning Dew Prayer
12:00noon Keenagers Fellowship
6:00pm Children/Adult Praise Dancers
6:30pm Evangelism Ministry Meeting
7:00pm Combined Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 8

12 noon **Bible Study**
6:30pm Passover Meal
Last Supper Dramatization,
Congregational Communion &
Foot Washing Observation

Thursday, April 9

7:00pm Food Addicts Anonymous
Combined Choir/Cast Rehearsal

Friday, April 10

7:00pm Good Friday Presentation
"They Didn't Know the
Power of the Cross"

Saturday, April 11 (2nd Saturday)

8:00am Food Addicts Anonymous
8:30am Feed the Homeless
8:45am One Great Day of Connection
9:00am Fulfillment Hour Resurrection Day
Rehearsal & Easter Egg Hunt
Bulletin Assembly
Wonderland Life Skills
12:00noon Combined Choir/Orchestra Rehearsal
2:00pm Baptism Class

Sunday, April 12 (2nd Sunday)

6:30am Resurrection "Sunrise" Service
8:30am Fellowship Breakfast
9:30am Fulfillment Hour Resurrection Day Program
10:45am Resurrection Morning Service