

Worship 7:45am & 10:45am

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

**THIRD SUNDAY † MAY 17, 2009
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

DEVOTION (7:45am)

MUSICAL PRELUDE (10:45am)

PROCESSIONAL (10:45am)
Greenforest-McCalep Christian Academy Graduates

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION (10:45am)

GREETING OF GUESTS & VISITORS
Deacon James Garner Family Ministry

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Video/Pulpit)

PRAISE (7:45am) *Jesus I'll Never Forget*
(10:45am) *"There is a Praise"*

WORSHIP (7:45am) *"As The Deer"*
(10:45am) *"I Lift My Hands"*

CORPORATE PRAYER

CONTINUING WORSHIP (7:45am) ... *"As The Deer"*
(10:45am) *"I Lift My Hands"*

TITHES & OFFERING

Offertory Prayer/Choir Selection

(7:45am) *"I Live by Faith"*
(10:45am) *"He Will Supply"*

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).

RECESSIONAL (GRADUATES)

CLOSING HYMN & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

CONTINUE WORSHIP ~ THROUGH MINISTRY OF SERVICE

TODAY at the 'Forest



D & TSC will host a **Medical Seminar** today at 1:00pm. Dr. Theresa Lawrence-Ford, Rheumatologist will speak on the subject of Lupus. Everyone is invited. Please join us and fellowship as we learn more about Lupus.

Deacon Eugene **Wright Family Ministry** will meet today immediately following the 2nd service in Room 12.

Deacon Willie **Weatherly Family Ministry** will meet today at 12:30pm in the Chapel.

THIS WEEK at the 'Forest

Dr. Jackie Henderson will preach her initial sermon on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 immediately following Bible Study in the sanctuary. Please come out and encourage her.

You're Invited To Experience Greenforest:

See a new side to a place you already know and love. Join the Academic Center family on Thurs., May 21st for a memorable evening in which you can:

- Talk with the new headmaster, Dr. M. O. Clarke - an academic visionary with a passion for excellence and a heart for children
- Get a snapshot of the Academic Center's strategic plan including performing arts and technology
- Register your child for the opportunity to be awarded a GMCAC Scholarship

Mark your calendar now for

May 21, 2009 • 5:30-7:00pm

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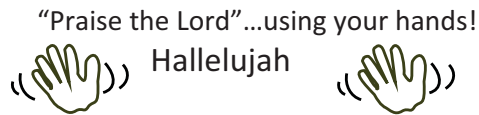
Early Learning Center/Genesis Room

Adult Music Ministry Meeting

Members of the Brotherhood, Celestial Voices of Inspiration, Handbell Choirs and the Orchestra are asked to please attend an important meeting to be held on Saturday, May 23, 2009 at 10:30am in the Memorial Chapel. The meeting is designed to review the GCBC Ministry Matrix and the Music Ministry and the current status of Music Ministry; discuss the Vision and Mission of the Music Ministry, future goals and 2009 activities; then review general ministry information and entertain suggestions. We look forward to your presence and participation! Sis. Shirley Pearson, Worship Team Leader

PLEASE NOTE

For the entire month of May, we are observing
Deaf Awareness.



The **Children’s Chapel parent meeting** previously scheduled for May 24th is cancelled. It will be rescheduled for late summer.

Attention All GCBC High School Seniors:

A reception in your honor will be held next Sunday, May 24th at 1:00pm in the Cornerstone Room. Join us as we express our pride and appreciation for this monumental milestone in your lives. Each graduate will be given the opportunity to share their post graduate plans and to sign up for the GCBC college ministry.

The **Annual Southern Baptist Convention** will be held this year in Louisville, Kentucky on June 23-24, 2009. Greenforest has been allocated ten (10) delegate slots. If you are interested in serving as a delegate to this year’s convention, please contact Ms. Patrice Dickerson, Church Clerk at 770 951-0995 or ricepatd@aol.com. For more information about the annual convention meeting, visit the following website:

<http://www.sbcannualmeeting.org/SBC09/>.

David Wiersbe in his book Dynamics of Pastoral Care asserts, “Our lives are measured by the love we give, the wisdom we impart, the laughter we create, the truth we tell, the tears we dry and the wounds we heal”. With this affirmation in mind and heart, **please join us in Pastoral Care for short or long term assignments** – when you are available, to help us assist people in various ways, during their time of crisis. Sign-up sheets are posted in the Church office or contact Rev. Herman Cody at (404) 486-6750.

The **South Dekalb Church Federal Credit Union** will be **hosting a free self-empowerment seminar featuring Kelvin Boston** who is the PBS Television MONEYWISE Host and an award winning author. The seminar, “Moneywise in the Community”, will beheld on June 6, 2009 from 9:00am to 4:00pm at the Porter Sanford III Performing Arts & Community Center at 3181 Rainbow Dr.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Global Day of Prayer** is observed by millions of Christians who unite in a day of repentance and united prayer. Greenforest will observe two parts of this global prayer effort: “Ten leading to One...”

- **TEN** days of constant prayer: beginning May 21-30. Millions of Christians will find ways to pray night and day throughout the ten days leading to Pentecost.
- **LEADING** to one Global day of Prayer: **Pentecost Sunday, May 31**-Christians in almost every country will assemble to pray.

God is moving in His awesome power and He is challenging us to be a part of this journey. The Prayer Ministry invites you to respond to the invitation “If my people will humble themselves and pray...”. You can support this effort by praying without ceasing using the Prayer Guides made available to you, celebrating Pentecost on Sunday May 31 by wearing the color RED, come expecting a mighty revelation and move of God at the “Forest”.

GREENFOREST CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION DAY

Circle the date!!! Saturday June 6th is designated Greenforest Campus Beautification Day. Our congregation is invited to come out and help Facility Management plant flowers, clean up the grounds and perform other outside tasks. This will be the first of several steps to be taken to upgrade the Sanctuary and surrounding buildings and grounds. Details are forthcoming. However, don’t wait, circle the date.

*****Make Plans Now To Come Play In The Dirt On June 6*****



An **Introductory Mission Trip to Monrovia, Liberia** (West Africa) is scheduled for June 21-28, 2009. The cost for the trip is \$3,300.00. This is in preparation for our mission planning calendar for 2020. Members who are interested should contact Rev. Pennon Lockhart immediately at 678-644-2306 or at ministerofmissions@greenforest.org. Future opportunities will be made available.

In conjunction with the upcoming Mission Trip to Monrovia, Liberia, we are collecting school supplies for the children of Liberia and Ghana, West Africa. Supplies may be left in the church office to the attention of Rev. Lockhart.

If you have ordered CD’s but have not picked them up from the church office, please do so immediately. Due to storage limitations, they cannot be held indefinitely.

Christian Education

Sunday, May 31, 2009 is **Move-Up Day** in **Fulfillment Hour**. All non-Adult FH classes will move up at 9:20am. The seventh grade Shepherds will go to the Early Learning Center to bring the six graders to Building #3. The 12th graders will be escorted to Building #2 by Young Adult VII Shepherds. We look forward to a successful transition. Classrooms will be set up for Vacation Bible between 1pm and 3pm on Sunday, May 31st.

Join us for **Vacation Bible School** June 1-5, 2009! Registration will be held today & next Sunday, May 24th

"Boomerang Express: It All Comes Back to Jesus" I John 4:9

- Pre-School, Children & Youth
Mon-Fri., June 1-5 from 9:00am-12:00noon
- Youth Evening Session
Wed. only, June 3rd 6:30pm-8:30pm
- Adults: Mon-Thurs from 6:30pm-8:30pm
- Nursery (infants-2year olds)
Mon-Thurs from 6:15-8:45pm

The Discipleship/Fellowship team is hosting a fellowship at Suburban Lanes from 2:00pm-4:00pm, Saturday, May 30th for those members who with joined or were baptized during the 1st Quarter (Jan 1 through Mar 31) of this year. The fellowship will include brief presentations from Matrix team leaders, bowling and light snacks. RSVPs are by May 22, 2009.



THE PASTOR'S CUP WEIGHT LOSS AND FITNESS CHALLENGE

You haven't signed up yet? You still can! You may not be part of a team, but you will be part of the action. There is something for you whether beginner or advanced. You may participate in the following by signing up in the church office or Missions hall.

- Free sessions in the Family Life Center
M-F 8:00-9:00am, MTTF 6:00-7:30pm
Sat 9:00-10:00am
- Fitness programs below which are \$5.00/session for members and \$15.00 per session for non members.
 - + Dancercise
 - + Boot Camp (Advanced)
 - + ABS Workout
 - + Low Impact Aerobics
 - + Chair-A-Cise (for those of you who can't stand for long periods of time)

Please note: At least 13 participants per class must signed up to begin these classes.

BEREAVEMENT NOTICES/THANK YOU NOTES

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

The family of Bro. Willie Lane, (JAG) whose wife Sis. Linda Lane was funeralized on May 16th in Star City, Arkansas.

The family of Sis. Myra Parks (FM), whose father, John Green was funeralized on May 16th in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Thank you expressions were received from the following:

To Rev. Mitchell, Rev. Cody, the Illuminators Fulfillment Hour class, the Devotional Bible Study class, and the entire Greenforest church family: A heartfelt thank you for your prayers, calls, cards, and other expressions of sympathy on the home going of my father, David W. Hall. A special thank you to Dea. Norman and Sis. Frances Mizzell for their steadfast care, concern, and support.

Carmen Hall Walker and family

Rev. Dennis Mitchell, Rev. Herman Cody, Dea. Eddie Hargrave and the entire GCBC family: Thank you for your prayers, calls, cards, encouraging words, hugs, gifts and the lovely plant received during the home going of our beloved mother/mother-in-law, Mrs. Louise Houston of Buffalo, NY. Your kindness means so much to us and reinforces we are never alone. We wish to remain in your prayers.

Ilona and William Outlaw



The **Greenforest McCalep Christian Academic Center Summer Enrichment Program** is open to students who have completed Kindergarten- 8th grade. The program offers daily devotionals, arts & crafts, field trips, & outdoor play. Students will receive enrichment lessons in reading, math, language arts, and CRCT Practices. But most importantly, your child will be in a safe Christian environment. You can enroll for a week, month, or the entire summer term from June 1st to July 31st. Enrollment forms are available in the Church & Academy Office.

GREENFOREST GOLF CLASSES

Beginning on May 30th and continuing for ten (10) weeks, golf classes will be held each Saturday morning from 10:00am to 12:00noon. Classes will be offered for Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced Golfers, also short game and putting. To register, please call Coach Perry at 404 484-0479 or Mike McCalep at 770 716-8971.

The **Greenforest Recreation Ministry** is registering for **summer Sports Camp** for the ages 6-12. Camp is June 1st- July 31st. Space is limited. For registration and/or more info, call **404 289-0340**.

This Week at the 'Forest'

May 18 -May 24, 2009

Monday, May 18

6:30pm Public Relations Meeting
7:00pm Prayer Ministry
Brotherhood Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, May 19

6:30am Morning Dew Prayer
12:00noon Keenagers Fellowship
6:00pm Children's Dance Ministry
7:00pm Adult Dance Ministry
Drama

Wednesday, May 20

12:00noon **Bible Study**
6:00pm Fellowship Meal
6:15pm FH Leadership Training
Mission Team Meeting
7:30pm **Bible Study & Discipleship**
Singles Ministry/Bible Study
Men's Bible Study
Young Adult Bible Study
Koinonia II (Deaf Bible Study)
Fireproof Small Group Class

Thursday, May 21

7:00pm Food Addicts Anonymous
7:30pm VOI Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 22

7:00pm Happy Hour Prayer Meeting
Fireproof Small Group Class

Saturday, May 23 (4th Saturday)

8:00am Feed the Homeless
9:00am Bulletin Assembly
Deacon & Yokepersons Training
10:30am Adult Music Ministry Meeting
2:00pm Baptism Class

Sunday, May 24 (4th Sunday)

7:45am 1st Worship Service
9:30am Fulfillment Hour
New Member Orientation
10:45am Mid-Morning Worship Service
Veteran's Memorial Service
12:30pm God's Crew Dance Ministry
Radical Love Graduation
1:00pm HS Senior Graduation Reception