

# This Week at the 'Forest'

## February 22-February 28, 2010

### Monday, February 22

6:30pm Nutrition Class  
7:00pm Broherhood Choir  
Prayer Ministry

### Tuesday, February 23

12:00pm Keenagers Fellowship  
7:00pm Dance Ministry  
Drama Ministry  
Public Speaking  
Alpha Toastmasters

### Wednesday, February 24

12:00pm Bible Study  
6:15pm FH Leadership Training  
7:30pm Bible Study & Discipleship  
Singles Ministry Bible Study  
Men's Bible Study  
Koinonia II (Deaf Bible Study)

### Thursday, February 25

7:00pm Food Addicts Anonymous  
Wee Praisers Dance Ministry Rehearsal  
Cantata Rehearsal

### Friday, February 26

6:30pm Line Dancing  
Phoenix Rising Toastmaster  
7:00pm Happy Hour Prayer Meeting

### Saturday, February 27 (4<sup>th</sup> Saturday)

8:30am Feed the Homeless  
9:00am Brotherhood Choir Rehearsal  
Bulletin Assembly  
10:30am Celestial Choir Rehearsal  
12:00pm Voices of Inspiration Choir Rehearsal

### Sunday, February 28 (4th Sunday)

#### **Black History Focus: Entrepreneurs/Business Owners**

7:45am 1<sup>st</sup> Worship Service  
9:30am Fulfillment Hour  
New Member Orientation  
10:45am Mid-Morning Worship Service  
1:30pm Black History Expo

# Worship 7:45am & 10:45am

*Standing Firm on the Word  
Staying Focused on the Mission  
As we continue our Journey to Wellness in  
2010-The Year of Celebration*

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

3RD SUNDAY ~ FEBRUARY 21, 2010

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### PRELUDE

DEVOTION 7:45am.....Deacons

ORCHESTRA SELECTIONS 10:45am

GREETING OF GUESTS & VISITORS.....

Deacon Langston Atkins Family Ministry

CC CHOIR 10:45am ..... "Everywhere I Go There's God"

#### MINISTRY/MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE 7:45am..... "Three Spiritual Medley"

10:45am ..... "We Praise You Oh Lord"

WORSHIP 7:45am.. "Hush, Somebody's Calling My Name"

10:45am..... "Here I Am To Worship"

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

#### CONTINUE IN WORSHIP

7:45am ..... "Hush, Somebody's Calling My Name"

10:45am ..... "Here I Am To Worship"

#### TITHES & OFFERING /Offertory Prayer

Choir Selection

7:45am ..... "Karamu"

10:45am ..... "God Is An Awesome God"

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).*

#### CLOSING HYMN/BENEDICTION/POSTLUDE

#### CONTINUE WORSHIP~

THROUGH MINISTRY OF SERVICE

## AT THE 'FOREST'



Please join the effort to make needed Emergency Roof Repairs as we seek to combat prevailing leaks experienced during the recent rains. Repairs are estimated to cost \$30,000. You can help preserve our church buildings by donating any amount to the Roof Emergency Fund throughout the month of February 2010. Your help and sacrificial gift is greatly appreciated.

Dea. W. Weatherly Family Ministry will meet today immediately after the 2<sup>nd</sup> service in Room 12.

### BLACK HISTORY MONTH

During the month of February, Greenforest will be "Celebrating our Past and Looking to Our Future". **Today, the focus is on Educators. Greenforest-McCalep Christian Academic Center will host an Open House immediately after the 10:45am service** to spotlight the excellent academic and Christian education available at the Academy. Members are encouraged to invite family and friends with school age children to attend. Special discounts will be given to attendees who register a child in the Academy.

➤ **Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**, will focus on Entrepreneurs and small business owners. We will culminate with a celebratory Expo in the Family Life Center to showcase our entrepreneurs and medical professions, authors, and business owners. The Expo will give us a chance to connect with and identify opportunities that are available in our own church family. **Today is the final day to sign up for the Expo.**

**Volunteers are needed for the Entrepreneurship Expo** on Sunday, February 28, 2010, in the Family Life Center. The Expo will be held from 10:30am to 2:00pm. Members interested in volunteering should contact Sis. Kathy Cole at (404) 583-7698 or Sis. Patricia White at (678) 595-7543.

**You Are Invited to the Youth Black History Assembly** on Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. Join all Fulfillment Hour classes in the Sanctuary as we celebrate our rich heritage with the theme "Living the Legacy: Fulfilling the Dream Fueled by Hope".

### GCBC Budget and Contributions Report January 2010 ~ Unified Budget

Year	Budget	January	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance
2010	\$4,100,000	\$357,961	\$357,961	\$341,667	\$0
2009	\$4,200,000	\$299,389	\$299,389	\$312,900	-\$13,511

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In keeping with our Lenten Season prayer focus, **Friday, February 26th is designated as a day of prayer for Ministries.** People all over the world will be praying for those who are called to service as the gospel of Jesus Christ is spread. Our congregation will come together to pray for ministries here as well as ministries in other parts of the community, city and country. Join us as we encircle the Sanctuary lifting up a chorus of prayer and supplication for the ongoing growth and power of ministry here at Greenforest and around the world. We need your presence ... we need your prayers "some things are just too big to pray alone." (WayMakers, Seeking God for the City 2010).

**GMCAC PTO presents a Red & White Ball.** "It's A Family Affair" on Sat., February 27<sup>th</sup> in the ELC Genesis Room. Guests are asked to wear formal in red, white, black, or pink. The evening will feature a live band, hearty hors d'oeuvres, & door prizes. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the door. For more information, please contact Sis. Cheryl Crawford, PTO Pres. at 404 694-5053.

The **Dialysis and Transportation Support Services Center, Inc.** will hold its first 2010 Medical Education Seminar/Fellowship on Sunday, February 28, 2010 at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. In keeping with heart Month, D&TSC will present Dr. Anthony C. Dorsey, Cardiologist with the Atlanta Heart Specialists. He will speak on the topic "Keeping A Healthy Heart". Everyone is invited to attend. We will find out how to help our hearts "keep on ticking".

**Baptismal Classes** are conducted in Room 12 of the Sanctuary Building each 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 2:00pm. Although a required orientation for current baptismal candidates, it is helpful to anyone seeking an assurance of salvation or an understanding of baptism as it relates to salvation, personal witness and other church ordinances. To register, please contact Rev. James Murray at 404 202-0225 or Rev. Tom Walker at 404 284-7127.

Minister Anthony Washington and the **GCBC Prison Ministry** would like to encourage all new and returning members to participate in the Prison Ministry Orientation & Training on Saturdays at 12:00pm in Bldg 3 Room 118. The classes will end on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Training is mandatory for service in this very vital ministry. New members are welcome to participate. For more information, contact Min. Washington or Bro. Shakoore at 770 484-8351.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SPOTLIGHT ON EVANGELISM

ONE GREAT DAY OF CONNECTION count-down has begun. In less than 45 days, Greenforest members and friends will hit the streets in large numbers. We will be passing out literature, praying and most importantly, presenting the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Please mark your calendar and plan to join in this great tradition on Saturday, April 3, as we celebrate the crucifixion and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

For more information and to sign-up, please contact Bro. Robert Stanard at [rstanard@restisproperties.com](mailto:rstanard@restisproperties.com), 404-210-2800 or Min. Jeanette Cody @ [jeanettecody@aol.com](mailto:jeanettecody@aol.com) or 404-402-3046.

### 2010 Mission Team Line-up National & Global Missions

- \*April 7-10-Charleston SC-Youth (*see announcement details on next panel*)
  - \*June 21-25-Jamaica (Adults & HS students) \$1,300.00
  - \*June 21-26-Rock Hill, SC (Youth-9<sup>th</sup> grade & up) \$249.00
  - \* June 14-July 28-Zimbabwe & Republic South Africa 2 weeks Adults & HS \$4000.00
  - \* June 17-24 Monrovia, Liberia (Youth & Adults) \$3500.00
  - \* June 28-July 3-Brazzaville, Republic of Congo (Adults) \$3500.00
  - \*Haiti Student Sponsorship Exchange Program (TBD)
- For more information, contact Rev. Pennon Lockhart at [pennon.lockhart@greenforest.org](mailto:pennon.lockhart@greenforest.org).

### Greenforest Veterans Support Ministry Scholarship

The Veterans Support Ministry will award its annual scholarship in May 2010. The ministry will recognize an outstanding student for their achievement with a \$500 scholarship for the upcoming Fall/School year. Applications must be postmarked by April 13, 2010. Applications can be downloaded at [www.greenforest.org/veterans](http://www.greenforest.org/veterans) or pick up one at the church office. To be eligible, applicants must meet the following criteria to be considered: Must be a high school senior or recent graduate • Have a 2.0 grade point average • Must be a child, grandchild, spouse, niece or nephew of a Veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States • Provide proof of their relationship to the Veteran (DD214 or military ID card). If you have any questions, please contact Paul Amos at (678) 517-7423.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Adult Handbell Choir Member Recruitment** We have are a Ministry we're sure will ring a bell with you! The Sadie T. McCalep Handbell Choir is recruiting new members, both male and female, with, or without previous musical skills or experience. Please visit our first rehearsal on Sat, March 6th from 12:00 noon – 1:00p.m. All interested in visiting or joining should contact Dea. Robert (Bob) Lee via email at pianokeys88@comcast.net, cell phone (770) 356 5290 or leave a note in his deacon mailbox in the photocopy room immediately adjacent to the Cornerstone Room. You may also leave your contact information in the Church Office or with any members of the Handbell Choir.

The **Spring Break Youth Mission to Charleston, SC** is a 2½ day, 3 night experience intended for those who have completed sixth grade and up. The selected dates are from April 7, 2010 to April 10, 2010. The trip is sponsored by the North American Mission Board of SBC. A non-refundable deposit of \$60.00 is due immediately. Final balances are due March 1, 2010. The total cost of the trip is \$119.00 per student. All checks can be made payable to GCBC. (Memo: Youth Mission to Charleston SC) Please contact Dea. Joseph Boone at 404 644-4841 for more information.

The **University of GA Terry College of Business** is accepting applications from high school rising juniors and seniors to participate in its week long Terry Business Academy. The program is designed for students who have a strong interest in business and entrepreneurship. For more information about the program, how to apply, and qualification requirements, please visit [www.terry.uga.edu/diversity](http://www.terry.uga.edu/diversity).

The **Georgia Teen Work Program** is a summer initiative that provides the opportunity for Georgia's youth to participate in valuable work experiences within their communities. The program is administered by the GA Department of Human Services and is open to youth who \*Reside in the state of Georgia \*Are 14 to 18 years old by June 1, 2010 \*Live in a TANF eligible household or meets the income eligibility requirement \*Are available to work a maximum of 35 hours a week. June 1-July 31, 2010. \*Are able to complete Job Readiness Training before starting the program \*Participate in the Independent Living Program or the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren (GRG) Program. For more information and/or to apply, go to [georgiateenwork.org](http://georgiateenwork.org). or call 888 884-4712.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Fellowship Meal Menu for February 24, 2010

Fried Whiting,  
Macaroni & Cheese,  
Green Beans,  
Spring Salad,  
Cookies,  
Lemonade

### Please remember the following families in your prayers during their time of bereavement:

The family of Sis. Dorthea (Ralph Jr.) White (OD) whose mother was funeralized on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> in Nashville, TN.

The family of Sis. Nisan Lewis (HH) whose father, Dhikr Maolud, Sr., was funeralized at Greenforest on Thurs, Feb 18<sup>th</sup>.

The family of Min. Sylvia Goldman (JAM) whose aunt, Ollie Lane passed last week in Chicago, IL.

The family of Sis. Gennive Stembidge (JW), whose sister, Ruby Smith was funeralized on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> in Anderson, SC

The family of Sis. Autherine (Albert) Wright (BB), whose sister, Harriet Stewart was funeralized on Sunday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> in Younges, Island, SC

The family of Sis. Vanessa (Michael) Maddox (EG) whose father, Monja Bowens, passed on February 18<sup>th</sup>. Arrangements are pending.

The family of Mary Walker (GRD) & Cora Duval (HH) whose mother, Annie Ruth Brown was funeralized on Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> in Toccoa, GA.

The family of Sis. Bertha Hammett (MN), whose mother, Ola M. Smith, was funeralized on Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> in Vero Beach, FL.

### The following thank you notes were received:

*We send a special thank you to all of our Greenforest Family for your prayers, calls, cards, visits and kind deeds during the recent loss of my husband, Maxwell Gordon. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers during this very difficult healing process.*

*Love, Carrie & The Gordon Family*