

## This Week at the 'Forest'

April 26 – May 2, 2010

### Monday, April 26

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

### Tuesday, April 27

12:00pm Keenagers Fellowship  
6:30pm Recreation Committee Meeting  
7:00pm Dance Ministry  
Drama Ministry  
Alpha Toastmasters  
Mission Training Class

### Wednesday, April 28

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, April 29

10:00am ATR Women's Bible Study Class  
7:00pm Food Addicts Anonymous  
Wee Praisers Dance Ministry  
Rehearsal  
Celestial Choir Rehearsal  
7:30pm Voice of Inspiration Rehearsal  
Joshua School of Evangelism

### Friday, April 30

6:30pm Line Dancing  
Phoenix Rising Toastmaster  
11:30am SE Black SS Conference

### Saturday, May 1 (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday)

7:15am SE Black SS Conference  
8:30am Feed the Homeless  
9:00am Brotherhood Choir Rehearsal  
Bulletin Assembly  
10:00am Evangelism Blitz  
10:30am Celestial Choir  
2:00pm Voice of Inspiration Choir

### Sunday, May 2 (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday)

#### **DEAF AWARENESS SUNDAY**

7:45am 1<sup>st</sup> Worship Service  
9:30am Fulfillment Hour  
New Member Orientation  
10:45am Mid-morning Worship Service

# 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*

**4TH SUNDAY ~ APRIL 25, 2010**

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

### **PRELUDE**

**DEVOTION** 7:45am.....*Deacons*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (10:45am)

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

### **MINISTRY/MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **PRAISE**

7:45am..... *"Blessed Assurance"*  
10:45am..... *"Blessed"*

### **WORSHIP**

7:45am ..... *"Is Your All On The Altar"*  
10:45am ..... *"Jehovah We Praise You"*

### **CORPORATE PRAYER**

### **CONTINUE IN WORSHIP**

7:45am ..... *"Is Your All On The Altar"*  
10:45am ..... *"Jehovah We Praise You"*

### **TITHES & OFFERING /Offertory Prayer/Choir Selection**

7:45am ..... *"Keep The Rocks Silent "*  
10:45am ..... *"How Excellent"*

**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'**



### **D&TSC, Inc. Medical Educational Seminar/Fellowship**

The Dialysis and Transplantation Support Services Center, Inc. presents - Mr. Bobby Howard - Manager of the Multicultural Donation Education Program for Lifelink of Georgia in a medical education seminar. He will speak on the topic - **Organ Donation and Tissue Transplantation**. Please be sure to attend this informative seminar which will be held **today** at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. **EVERYONE IS INVITED!** Remember: "YOU HAVE THE POWER TO DONATE LIFE!"

### **Atlanta Metro Baptist Association Annual Meeting**

The Atlanta Metro Baptist Association will hold its annual meeting at Greenforest **today**, April 25<sup>th</sup> in the ELC Genesis Room from 5:00-7:00pm. The focus will be "Living the Mission." GCBC members are welcome. Light appetizers will be served at 4:55pm and dress is casual.

### **Southeastern Black Sunday School Conference**

Mark your calendars for this informative conference which will be held Friday, April 30 & Saturday, May 1, 2010 and hosted by Greenforest. A number of classes will be offered. Pastor Mitchell, Min. Diann Phillips Ash, and Sis. Charlotte Atkins will be among the many class instructors. For more information, please contact Min. Diann Phillips Ash at 404 486-6729 or [diann.ash@greenforest.org](mailto:diann.ash@greenforest.org).

## **GREENFOREST/MCCALEP CHRISTIAN ACADEMIC CENTER**

*"A Ministry of Greenforest Community Baptist Church"*



*"Academic Excellence - God's Way"*

Our Christian Academy recently received community acclaim as the "best private school" in the area, but the best is yet to come! The Greenforest-McCalep Christian Academic Center's Board of Regents needs your help for us grow even better! The Board is now receiving all membership nominations from the Church family, especially from those with Legal and Economic Development/Marketing professional backgrounds. We look forward to you joining our Leadership Team, as we steer our Academy to even greater spiritual and academic heights, so come join us! We require nominations by May 31, 2010. Forward all names and email addresses to Monica Ryan ([steelp1@msn.com](mailto:steelp1@msn.com)) and Maurice Hurst ([mchurst@bellsouth.net](mailto:mchurst@bellsouth.net)).

## AT THE 'FOREST'



Plan to attend our May 2010 "WOW -- Word on Wednesday" when we will focus on "Building & Maintaining Healthy Relationships: Living a Christ-Centered Life." All four Wednesdays in May, our corporate bible study will be centered on strengthening our relationships with others -- be it husband/wife or parents/children or sibling/sibling or between neighbors, co-workers or friends. Come out to explore the "Relationship Scriptures" found in Romans 12. The WOW studies will take on both corporate and small group experiences.

### YOUTH PARENTS MEETING

A meeting for Youth Parents is scheduled for May 2, 2010, from 1:00pm -1:30pm in the Chapel.



Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> is designated as Deaf Awareness Day. The Greenforest Consecrated hands Deaf Ministry will lead our congregation in praise and worship during the 7:45 and 10:45am worship services. Guests from other deaf ministries will join us. Singing, testimony, and other aspects of the worship service will be led by members of our deaf ministry. We are hopeful you will make a special effort to attend worship service on this day as we come before God with corporate spoken and unspoken words of adoration, prayer and praise.

### SENIOR TRIP

Plans are underway for the Class of 2010's "Senior Trip" to Orlando, Fl. Please contact Sis. Yolanda McCColumn at 404 401-9438 or Sis. Regenia Sanders at 678 427-6811 for details or to sign up.

### SENIOR RECOGNITION DAY

Sunday, May 16, 2010 is Senior Recognition Day. There will be a Reception Breakfast for Graduates in Bldg. 3, Cafeteria from 9:30 - 10:30am during Fulfillment Hour. Be sure to RSVP by Sunday, May 9, 2010 by calling 404-486-6724.

### USHER MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP

You are cordially invited to attend the Usher Ministry's 'Spring Fling' Fellowship on Saturday, May 15, 2010. Please join us as we embrace "The Past Remembered and Appreciated" over brunch. For ticket information, please contact Bro. Nathan Johnson at 404 735-6176. You may also see Sis. Monica Ryan or Bro. Eric Hinton for additional information.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **Prayer Focus on Marriages & Families**

For the past month, Pastor Mitchell has asked all leaders, ministries and members to "Spend Time in the Garden" by praying daily for God's direction in how He (God) would have us address the need for strengthening families and marriages here at the "Forest" - knowing that if we pray, God will answer (Jeremiah 33:3) and families will be strengthened. The time has come to ask, what have we heard God saying to us?

**If you have been praying for marriages and families and have received an insight(s) from the Holy Spirit, please share those insights with us by forwarding same to: [families-marriages@greenforest.org](mailto:families-marriages@greenforest.org)**

Thank you for your faithfulness in *Spending Time in the Garden* – please continue!

### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The 59th Annual National Day of Prayer will take place Thursday, May 6, 2010. Millions will unite in prayer at thousands of events from coast to coast. The theme for this year is "Prayer for Such a Time as This" and is based on the verse from Nahum 1:7 which states: "The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him."

### SPOTLIGHT ON EVANGELISM

"And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." (Matthew 4:19) The Evangelism Ministry is looking for Christ followers who are willing to fish for (witness to) mankind. Been fishing lately? The Evangelism team goes out each 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month. (Please meet in Bldg. #1, lower level, WMU room 4/6 at 10am. We will return to church around 12 noon.)

### BAPTISMAL/SALVATION TRAINING CLASSES

Baptismal/Salvation training classes are conducted monthly in Room 8 of the Sanctuary Building at 2 PM on the 2nd and 3rd Saturdays. The classes are for members joining as candidates for baptism or by rededication.

### FELLOWSHIP MEAL MENU FOR April 26<sup>th</sup>

Rotisserie Chicken, Seasoned Rice, Green Vegetable, Mixed Greens Salad, Cookies, Lemonade

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Please note the following update:

\* **July 2 – 11, 2010 Haiti Medical Mission Trip**

**\$1500.00. This mission trip is in need of dentists, hygienists, surgeons, ophthalmologist/optometrists.**

**Non-medical volunteers of any age are also welcome.**

\* Local Mission trip in Clarkston, GA (Date TBD)

\$99.00 – SOM (Adults & Youth 8 years old & up)

\* June 21-25-Jamaica (Adults & HS students)

\$950.00

\* 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 \$4,000.00

\* June 17-24 Monrovia, Liberia (Youth & Adults) \$3,500.00

\* June 28-July 3-Brazzaville, Republic of Congo (Adults)  
\$3,500.00

\* Haiti Student Sponsorship Exchange Program (TBD)

***French speaking individuals who are willing to tutor***

***English to Haitian children ages 10-12 are needed. If***

***you can volunteer to help, please contact Rev. Pennon***

***Lockhart at [pennon.lockhart@greenforest.org](mailto:pennon.lockhart@greenforest.org).***

### RETIRES NETWORKING FOR SUCCESS

Attention Retirees: Wonderful, rewarding opportunities are opening here at The Forest for you to share your passions, experiences, dreams & hopes that will help our church move closer towards the fulfillment of God's plans for us. If you would like to find out how you can participate in this mission, you're invited to "An Afternoon with the Pastor." This event is an informal dialogue with Pastor Mitchell and other members to pray for God's guidance, brainstorm for ideas, network with other retirees, and eat light refreshments. The date is Saturday, June 5, at 1:00 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Hopefully, we will emerge with ideas that just may change someone's life. To register, simply complete the blue form in your bulletin, and drop it in one of the baskets as you exit today. For more information, call Sis. Margaret Freeman at 770-987-8778, or Sis. Joan White at 770-987-3975. We hope to see you there.

### PORTER SANFORD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Leading Role Productions presents the perfect pre-Mother's Day treat, "Harvest Time", a play about an elderly woman going to live with her successful son Ralph, his wife Helen and their three children. Helen begins to treat her mother-in-law terribly. After Helen suffers an emotional breakdown, truths are revealed. This play is for the entire family. The performance will be held on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. For more information, please contact Stacie Smith at (404) 645-4748.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BABY DEDICATION CEREMONY

The next baby dedication ceremony will be held during the 10:45 AM service, Sunday, June 27. Families interested in having their children blessed at this time should contact the church office no later than Monday, June 7.

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

The family of Bro. Westley (Wanda) Reed (AH), whose uncle, John Henry Powe, was recently funeralized in Birmingham, AL.

The family of Sis. Beverly Fowler (JEB), whose father, James Howard, recently passed.

The family of Sis. Matilda (JC) Finkley, whose sister, Mary Finkley, was funeralized on April 22<sup>nd</sup> in Miami, FL.

The family of Sis. Lillie Treece, Min. Jeanette & Rev. Herman Cody (MN) whose nephew, Joseph Paul McMahan, was funeralized on April 22<sup>nd</sup> in Sevierville, TN.

**The following thank you notes were received:**

*Rev. Mitchell, Rev. Cody, and Dea. Ed. Henderson and the Prayer Ministry: thank you for your thoughtfulness and your comforting words of condolence on the death of Jerome's brother, Augustus Bates. Your words were not only a comfort, but a source of strength for us during this difficult time. Jerome and Clara Bates*

*To the Pastoral Care Team, Dea. E. Henderson, and my Greenforest family. Thank you for visiting my mother and for your calls, cards and prayers. They are greatly appreciated. Sis. Vera Penn and family*

*The family of Dea. Henry & Alma Drakeford wishes to thank Pastor Mitchell, Rev. Cody, the Deaconship, and the entire Greenforest family for your prayers, cards, and calls during the transition of my sister, Emily R. Drakeford. Make God continue to bless each of you.*

*To my Greenforest Family: I wish to express my sentiments of highest appreciation to all of you, especially to Pastor Mitchell, Rev. Cody, and Dea. & Mrs. McNeil. Your caring spirit and tangible expressions of love through gifts of flowers, visits, calls and cards as my family celebrated the homegoing of my dear sister, Roxie Moore, in Charlottesville, VA. It will be long remembered and always appreciated. Gratefully, Sis. Ann Morris*