FAMILY INFORMATION

November 26, 2023

Worship 254 Class 181 Contribution \$12,416.11

Nursery Volunteers

Chaney Billips Lorraine Serrano

Sunday Morning

Worship 9:30 Bible Class 10:45

Sunday Night

In-home Small Groups
Devotional at building 5:00

Wednesday Night Bible Class

7:00

Scan the QR code below to complete an attendance card.



Shepherds

 Jay Estes
 404-313-3976

 Darryl Harper
 678-492-4167

 Reagan Holland
 404-456-4290

 Keith Lawson
 404-539-8100

Sunday In-home Small Groups Contact host for details

 Thad & Rachel Bartlett
 770-286-2440

 Church Building (D. Harper)
 678-492-4167

 Bo Gray
 678-557-4729

 Gary & Libby Gray
 770-408-8959

 Ricky & Stacy Gray
 770-713-5790

 Reagan & Karen Holland
 404-456-4290

 Alan & Jonna Way
 770-655-5012

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

2 Samuel - Dave Wilson

Church and Home - Thad Bartlett

Acts - Jay Estes

All Things New - Ladies' Class

Wednesday Night Classes

Ladies' Service Class – Kim Davenport

Study of Mark - Ricky Gray

Discipleship - Darryl Harper

West Metro Church of Christ

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P.O. Box 100 Hiram, GA 30141

Minister:

Ricky Gray 770-713-5790

Youth Minister:

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Libby Gray 770-713-5197

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Serving Paulding, Cobb, Coweta, Fulton, Polk, Douglas, Haralson, Carroll Counties

Church of Christ

December 3, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Slide	Beh	old Our God
Welcome		Jay Estes
747	Sing On, Ye Jo	yful Pilgrims
Slide	Jesus, Draw Me	Ever Nearer
Prayer	Iva	n Atkins, Sr.
387	Tell Me the St	ory of Jesus
Communion & Contribution		Kevin Billips
Slide	Had It Not Be	een the Lord
15	9	Step by Step

Dismiss to Wee Worship (2-4 year-olds)

Sermon Second Chances
876 Where He Leads Me I Will Follow
755 God Be with You
Prayer Keith Lawson
Praise Leader Brian Lassetter

WELCOME GUESTS! WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

- Be sure to sign an attendance card and place it in one of the boxes as you exit the auditorium. You may also scan the code on the back of the chair in front of you or on the back page of the bulletin to complete a card online.
- Attended nursery for birth through twoyears-old is provided during worship in room 119.
- Wee Worship for 2-4 year-olds is available during the sermon.
- Bible classes for all ages will begin immediately following worship.

FROM RICKY'S DESK

Yesterday, Georgia and Alabama played in the SEC Championship (yesterday from your perspective, assuming you are reading this on Sunday. As I write this, the game is still two days away). A few Decembers ago, Georgia and Alabama played in this very same game. Like this year, Georgia was #1 in the country at 12-0, and Alabama was coming in at 11-1. Alabama won that game. But about a month later, Georgia got another shot at them, this time in the National Championship. Georgia won that latter game. They had gotten a second chance.

How many times in our lives have we said or done something and desperately desired another chance, in order to make things right? Yet our world is a cruel and seductive place that rarely hands out second chances. This world can be terribly unforgiving.

God, however, is not that way. He is the God who, through Jesus Christ, gives us a second chance. With the blood of Jesus Christ, we are cleansed. And, according to John in 1 John 1:7-9, that forgiving blood continues to work in our lives as we walk in Christ. God goes beyond second chances. God continually offers us forgiveness and wholeness as we live our lives for him.

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THE GIVING TREE

Gifts for Rainbow Omega are due today. If you have encountered an issue with your donation, please see Libby Gray. Special thanks to you all for your generosity this holiday season!

COOKIES WITH SANTA

Santa is visiting West Metro today! A few more spots are available. Stop by the message center today to sign up. See Kim Prather if you have any questions.

LADIES' LUNCHEON

Ladies, join us this Tuesday, December 5, at 11:30 at Walk-On's Bistreaux at The Avenue West Cobb. Take a break in Christmas shopping and join us for lunch! A sign-up sheet is in the message center or let Wanda Collins or Betty Lister know that you can come.

PRAYER LIST

Long term prayer requests: Marilyn Buttram, Jo Campbell, Jane Clark, Marilyn Crowe, Kelsey Denney, David Doom, Peggy Ellison, Linda Gray, Rick Hagerty, Elizabeth Hamm, and Eric Tabor.

LADIES' ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

The annual ornament exchange is scheduled for this Thursday, December 7, at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dessert to share as dinner will be provided. A sign-up sheet is posted in the message center. If you have any questions, see Meg Tissue.

SPRING LADIES' RETREAT

Plans are underway for our Spring Ladies' Retreat. Mark your calendars for March 22-23, 2024 at the Alabama 4-H Center in Columbiana. Check out their website for an overview of the facility. Single occupancy rooms are \$165 and double occupancy is \$115. Our theme is "Rooted."

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

So many folks at West Metro give of their time to make things happen behind the scenes. A special thank you to Ben Prather for maintaining and cleaning our baptistry. We appreciate you!

FROM RICKY'S DESK CONTINUED

Also, God demands of us the same consideration for one another. Remember Peter's question in Matthew 18, asking how often we should forgive one another? Jesus's response to Peter's seemingly lavish offer of "seven times," was, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times." In other words, Jesus told Peter—and us—to grant forgiveness to one another in imitation of the God who lavishes us with His forgiveness. God calls upon us to give second chances—and beyond—just as we have been given them.

--Ricky