### **FAMILY INFORMATION**

January 14, 2024

Worship 245 Class 165 Contribution \$18,696.99

### **Nursery Attendants**

Kennesy Aspinwall Rebecca Aspinwall

### **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 Louis Dinkins 404-518-2989 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**

A Relationship with God – Jay Estes and Lee Bradshaw

The God of Scripture – Keith Lyda

Mended: Pieces of a Life Made Whole – April Estes and Amber Miller

### **Wednesday Night Classes**

Ladies' Service Class - Kim Davenport

Encountering God – Paul Ellison

Discipleship - Darryl Harper

### West Metro Church of Christ

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Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 100 Hiram, GA 30141

#### Minister:

Ricky Gray 770-713-5790

### Youth Minister:

Austin Gray 314-484-3932

#### Secretary:

Libby Gray 770-713-5197

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

Church of Christ

January 21, 2024

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

574 Oh. How I Love Jesus Keith Lawson Welcome 300 Praise Him! Praise Him! 162 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Slide A Shield About Me Prayer Rick Hagerty 315 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Communion & Contribution **Thad Bartlett** Slide How Great Is Our God Dismiss to Wee Worship (2-4 year-olds)

Scripture Reading
Sermon
God Heard
Slide
My Only Hope Is You
Special Presentation
Slide
Surround Us Lord
Prayer
Praise Leader
God Heard
My Only Hope Is You
Sary Gray
Gary Gray
Surround Us Lord
Gary Gray

# 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

Stacy and I love animals. Especially dogs. Early every morning (during the week, I am always the first one awake and downstairs "toodling," as we call it), I find a short video or two of dogs doing dog things and I text them to her, knowing that it'll help her start her day well. It also helps me start my day on a good note. We love babies, too, by the way. So, for us, the perfect combination is babies and puppies. There is little else that warms our hearts more than to see babies being babies and dogs being dogs, especially when they are together.

But there is more to this than simply enjoying a video here and there, or delighting in a precious child or in the companionship of a beloved animal. When it comes to the little things in the world, the things that are innocent and most vulnerable, it is our responsibility to be as gentle and loving and supportive as we can. We are tasked as humans to love everyone, of course. But there is a particular emphasis in Scripture on caring well for the defenseless and guiltless among us. Each of us is precious to God, but none more so than the tiny and innocent ones. They are divinely beloved beyond our ability to understand.

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### **SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION**

As we begin the new year, Trujillo Christian School is also beginning their new school year! The teachers and staff are preparing to begin classes in February. We will have a special contribution next Sunday. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 on the 28th to provide needed resources for the school. Please make checks payable to Trujillo Christian School or TCS.

Scan the QR code below to donate to Trujillo Christian School.



### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Make your plans now to attend a congregational meeting during class time on Sunday, February 4.

### **SUPER CHILI BOWL XXV**

Sunday, February 11

Please see the message center for food sign ups. Special note: our annual chili contest will be limited to 12 participants. Sign up today to ensure your spot!

## **PRAYER LIST**

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

-Bruce Black is scheduled for back surgery this week.

### **VALENTINE'S DINNER PARTY**

"Under the Tuscan Sun"

A couples Valentine's Dinner party is scheduled for Friday, February 16, at 7:00. The cost is \$15 per person. A sign-up sheet is posted in the message center or see Kim Prather to sign up and pay.

### **BRAVES GAME**

Join us Monday, June 1, at 4:10 for an outing to Truist Park to watch the Braves take on the Oakland A's. The Hank Aaron Terrace Garden tickets are \$104 and includes food, drinks, indoor and outdoor seating. See Penny Lassetter to secure your ticket. You may put down a deposit now and pay the remainder in March.

## **SUMMER MISSION TRIP**

Trip dates Sunday, June 23 - Tuesday, July 2

Our first informational meeting will be next Sunday, January 28, after class. Feel free to join us and learn more about the trip. If you plan to go on the trip or want additional information and cannot attend the meeting, let Larry or Corinna Garmon know.

### **PRAYER TIME**

Beginning Sunday, February 4, and continuing each Sunday thereafter, you are invited to come to the building at 8:30am for a time of prayer with the shepherds and ministers. Please feel free to bring your concerns, needs, and praises to share.

## FROM RICKY'S DESK CONTINUED

In Genesis 21, Sarah was prepared to leave Ishmael—and his mother, Hagar—to the wolves. Yet God intervened. God assured Abraham (who was clearly concerned about the fate of his firstborn son) that Ishmael would be protected. In fact, God said, "I will make a nation of the son of [Hagar] also, because he is your offspring" (v. 13).

Wow. Just wow. Even where we do not see the need, or even desire that the need be fulfilled, God provides. The heart of God drives God to care for us all.

-Ricky

## **SPRING LADIES' RETREAT**

Ladies! Register now to attend our 2024 Ladies Retreat on March 22-23 at the 4-H center in Columbiana, Alabama. Scan the QR code to register before February 20. There will be worship, fellowship, devos & fun! Meals include Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch (\$115 for a double occupancy room, \$165 for single).

