

	5/8	5/15	5/22	5/29
Call To Worship	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes
Scripture Reading	Tom Durden	Jim Pelfrey	Greg Nash	Jim Garner
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Charles Nash	Mike Richardson
Prayer	Curtis Hurt	JD Branch	Jim O'Brien	Tim Tittle
Preside Lord's Supper	Andy Johnson	Cliff Nash	Jon Buckner	Clay Posey
Usher	Steve Burdette	Ron James	Steve Burdette	Ron James
Sermon	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers
Response Elder	Jim Garner	Jim Garner	Jim Garner	Jim Garner
Shepherd's Prayer	Jim Pelfrey	Greg Nash	Jim Garner	Tom Durden
Evening Worship				
Announcements	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Stan Mitchell	Mike Richardson
Prayer	Mike Richardson	Holden Cella	Anthony Stinson	Gayle Pelfrey
Sermon	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Song Service	Dave Rogers
Lord's Supper	Andy Johnson	Cliff Nash	Jon Buckner	Clay Posey
Prayer	Steve Esler	Ray Russell	Eric Hagin	Keith Killingsworth

Worship Assignment Coordinator for May: Steve Hopkins

Communion Preparation

Individual Sets on the table in the foyer

Nursery

(closed for now)

Visitors Center

8 Susie Graham/Linda Armstrong
15 Jewel Green/Lisa Tittle
22 Sally Wallace/Jo Hurt
29 Allene Scoma/Barbara Edmonds
Jun 5 Kathleen Johnson/Susan Pelfrey
12 sandy Garner/Sue Riley

Care of Building

May 1-15 Steve Esler/Charles Nash
16-31 Dennis Graham/Andy Johnson

Media Center

Steve Esler, Dennis Graham, Eric Hagin, Holden Cella
David Hopkins, Jon Buckner & Ethan Boelsterli

Wednesday Evening

Devotionals

May 11 — Eric Hagin
May 18 — Jim O'Brien
May 25 — Ron James

Our Mission Works

Graham & Elizabeth McDonald - Scotland
Victor & Esperanza González-Geronimo - Mexico
Raintree Village

Assembly Schedule:

Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Worship Service

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

10:00 am

Wednesday Evening

Bible Classes at 7pm

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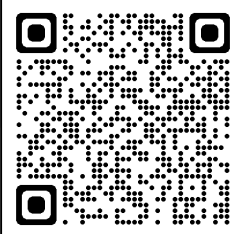
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Rick Sharpe, Campus Director

WATCH!

The Fountain of Life

With Larry Acuff

Saturdays at 7 am

on channel 57

In SEARCH of the Lord's Way

With Phil Sanders

Sunday at 7:30am,

Stations 69 or 45

The Gospel of Christ

Red Hill church of Christ

(McMinnville, TN)

with Ben Bailey

Elders

Tom Durden (770) 652-7389

Jim Garner (770) 461-3197

Greg Nash (404) 455-1546

Jim Pelfrey (770) 629-2061

Deacons

JD Branch	Andy Johnson
Steve Esler	Stan Mitchell
Dennis Graham	Charles Nash
Eric Hagin	David Poskevich
David Hopkins	Hugh Kelly
Rick Sharpe	Jack Sorrell

Records You Made – May 1

Bible Classes	113-4 Units Online
10 am Worship	149-14 Units Online
5 pm Worship	83-10 Units Online
Offering	\$11,090.54
Wednesday Bible Study	70-4 Units Online



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Basic Facts from ... COLOSSIANS (Part 4)

by Dave Rogers

The last paragraph of Colossians 3 contains instructions about proper behavior in both the home and the “workplace” of the ancient world. It also speaks to the master/slave relationship, which was an inescapable fact of that era. The important point to note in these instructions is that they are based on the fact that Paul is addressing **Christians**, whose motives and actions are expected to spring out of our desire to please the Lord (vv. 20 & 23-24).

Much to the chagrin of those who contend for “modern definitions” of the family, in Colossians 3:18-21 Paul describes very specific and “traditional” roles for wives, husbands and children. As in Ephesians 5, wives are instructed to “submit” (this word actually means *to bring under firm control*) **themselves** to their husbands. In the original Greek language the verb *submit* is expressed in the “middle voice,” meaning this is something the wife does herself, of her own will – **not** something her husband enforces on her! No biblical passage authorizes a man to subjugate a woman, even though the world portrays Christian manhood as domineering, controlling and insecure. In contrast, Paul's very next inspired instruction – directed to husbands – **commands** them to love their wives and to **avoid** embittered or exasperated attitudes and actions toward them! Building on his earlier comparison of marriage with the relationship of Christ and His church (Ephesians 5:22-33), what we see reinforced here is the idea that a wife should *willingly* “be subject” to her husband **just as the church/individual Christians are willingly, voluntarily subject to Christ**, and that husbands should be as loving and solicitous of their wives' feelings and needs **as Christ is toward His church!**

The parent/child relationship has aspects of this “two-way street” character as well, in that fathers are forbidden to “provoke” (*maliciously agitate, exasperate*) their children even as those same children are commanded to obey their parents in “all” things **because this pleases the Lord**. Study upon study has shown that harsh words from fathers can have lifelong nega-

tive effects in the lives of their children. Paul's instruction here is designed to prevent such spiritual injuries. Turning next to the relationship between slaves and masters, Paul emphasizes in verses 22-24 that the ultimate motivation for honest efforts (*even by a slave*) lies in the fact that one is a Christian, and is in reality, therefore, **servng the Lord** – not merely a “master” (“...for ye serve the Lord Christ”).

Chapter four opens with Paul's instruction *to masters*, where he points out that they also serve a “Master,” Who inhabits heaven. The location of this verse should remind us that the division of our bibles into numbered chapters and verses is a relatively *recent* study “aid,” which can sometimes actually *hinder*, rather than help our understanding! This first verse of chapter four is actually the last line of the previous (chapter three) paragraph, and the “break” between chapters 3 and 4 should really come between verses 1 and 2.

Notice the clear distinction Paul makes in Colossians 4:5 about those who are “without” (lit. *outside, out-of-doors*): He is emphasizing that Christians ought to be aware of having limited time and opportunities to influence these “outsiders” with the gospel. His purpose is to remind us of our responsibility to reach out to them with the message of eternal hope! THIS is why we are told to “season” our speech (“discipline” it, cf. Proverbs 15:1) – so we may be able to guide these lost souls to know the Lord and thus be saved while there is still time.

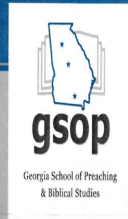
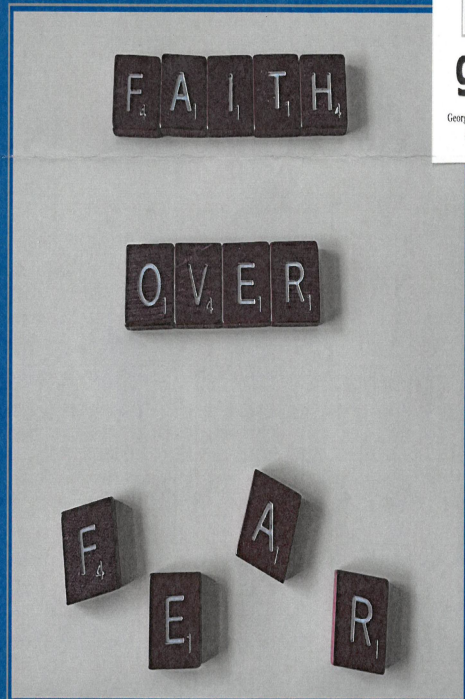
The balance of chapter four concerns various individuals and their circumstances, which would have been familiar to the Colossian congregation. Notice the instruction at verse 16, however, telling the Colossians to “trade letters” with the church at Laodicea! This tells us that Paul wrote other messages that the Holy Spirit did not preserve for *us*, AND that the congregation best-known to us as “lukewarm” (Revelation 3:16) had received inspired guidance that could have prevented that fate.

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Saturday, May 14, 2022



9:00 AM - "Timothy Hour" - FAITH Over Peer Pressure & Culture, Spencer Hall
 9:30 AM - Faculty Lecture - FAITH Over Disease / Pandemic, Daniel Stearsman
 10:00 AM - Current Student Lecture - FAITH Over Political Allegiance, David Koeberlin
 10:30 AM - Alumni Lecture - FAITH Over Things That Divide Us, Jim Gentry
 11:00 AM - Keynote Lecture - FAITH That Leads To Godly Fear, David Decker
 11:30 AM - Commencement, Awards & Announcements
 12:30 PM - Reception

Hosted by Piedmont Road church of Christ, 1630 Piedmont Road, Marietta, GA
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NIGHT LIGHT

SUMMER SERIES FOR WOMEN & GIRLS

Everyday Evangelism

THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH

6:30-9:00PM

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP, BIBLE STUDY AND A FUN ACTIVITY

Following our lesson we will have a fun paint night!

Fayetteville church of Christ Fayetteville, GA
 RSVP: email address

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us today. Please stay for a few minutes after worship so we can get acquainted with you, and you with us. **Please complete an Attendance Card**, located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We have an attended nursery and a training/cry room available.

Today's sermon can be viewed online by going to www.fcoc.com – click on "live broadcast."

Family Matters

Prayer request: DJ Phillips is asking for prayers for his wife, Samantha, who has been under a lot of stress lately.

Our Sick:

Charles Nash - Will have nasal deviated septum surgery, May 19th.

Brian Couch – Ginny says he is now cancer-free!

Una Fortson – Has now been able to return home.

Xonoma Fortson - Una's daughter is in the hospital with health issues.

Ruby Fowler - Has been diagnosed with COVID, and Howard her son-in-law is in Piedmont Fayette Hospital with breathing issues.

Ruth King - Melanie Boelsterli's aunt has been moved to Regency Healthcare and Rehab Center, 2061 Poole Drive, NE, Huntsville, AL 35810. Prayers and cards are appreciated.

Our brethren on both sides of the war in Ukraine.

Continue Prayers for:

Burma Chapman – She is at Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville, Sunny Suite #10. Visitors are welcome.

Members With Health Issues:

Linda Ravenell, Loretta Keith, Mary Lawrence, Martha Vickery, Margie Fields, Brian Harris, Brenda Mitchell, Jim & Sharon O'Brien, Doris Buckner, Wayne & Betty Jo Nash, Ray & Tina Russell, Dale & Susan Findley, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, Harry & Mattie Williams, David & Sue Riley, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge

Shut-ins:

David Nash, Joanne Crook and Alyce Hubbert

Our Missionaries and their families:

Graham & Beth McDonald; Victor & Esperanza González Geronimo; Scott & Rebecca Shanahan.

Others With Health Problems:

Debbie Decker. Charles Davis (Susie Graham's brother), Terrell Dry (friend of Libby's), Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe's sister), Mark Royal (Allene Scoma's stepson-in-law), Paul & Ruth King, Lee Stewart, Lamar Elder, Carol Waits (Martha Vickery's daughter), Evelyn King (Annette Butler's aunt), Shirley Johnson (Andy's mother), Jackie Couch (Ginny's husband), Stan Ward, Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's parents), Marvin Cook (Coney Johnson's uncle), Evelyn Walker (Mattie Williams' sis-in-law), Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents), Richard & Cathy Oliver (Brenda Mitchell's stepfather & mother), Nancy Ford (Joann Crook's sister), Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family) and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

Calendar for May & June

May 8 – Mother's Day appeal for Raintree Village Children's Home

May 13, 7pm – Book Club, The Hiding Place by John & Elizabeth Sherrill

May 14, 10am—2pm – NAMI Family & Friends Mental Illness

Meeting in the Fellowship Hall. Anyone is invited to attend.

May 15 – House Warming Shower for the family of Denise Greene,

Chad & Melissa Vickers, registered at Target & Wal-Mart

(To help replace some of the things they lost in the fire last year.)

May 21, 12:30pm – Baby "Girl" Shower for the Fairyon & Holden Cella,

(She is registered at Target.)

Guys and gals are both invited to come and celebrate the Cella's growing family.

June 9, 6:30-9:00pm – "Night Light," Summer Series For Women & Girls

July 19 – LifeLine Screening (in the Fellowship building)



Youth Calendar

May

8 - Teen Sing

11 - Family Fellowship

14 - Service Saturday

25 - Singing Class

June

12-17 Camp Inagehi (Parents sign up online)

July

16 - Super Saturday VBS

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