

	12/4	12/11	12/18	12/25
Call To Worship	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Dave Rogers	Jonah Dawes
Scripture Reading	Emmitt Libby	Ethan Boelsterli	Emmitt Libby	Ethan Boelsterli
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Jimmy Garner	Charles Nash
Prayer	Dave Poskevich	Paul Lyons	Dale Findley	Keith Killingsworth
Preside Lord's Supper	Rick Sharpe	Clay Posey	Eric Hagin	Jim Newby
Usher	Jack Sorrell	Ron Biles	Jack Sorrell	Ron Biles
Sermon	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Jonah Dawes	Dave Rogers
Response Elder	Greg Nash	Greg Nash	Greg Nash	Greg Nash
Shepherd's Prayer	Jim Pelfrey	Tom Durden	Jim Garner	Greg Nash
<b>Evening Worship</b>				
Announcements	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes	Jonah Dawes
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Jimmy Garner	Stan Mitchell
Prayer	Ray Russell	David Hopkins	David Decker	Larry Rose
Sermon	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Dave Rogers	Song Service
Lord's Supper	Rick Sharpe	Clay Posey	Eric Hagin	Jim Newby
Prayer	Jon Buckner	Ron James	Jake Garner	JD Branch

**Bible Bowl.  
Sunday at 3pm**

**Snacks:**  
Dec 4 -  
Susie Graham  
Dec 11-  
Denise Greene  
Dec 18-  
Brenda Mitchell  
**We Need Your Help with:**  
**Snacks** (cheese, grapes, chips & salsa). There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.



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**Basic Facts from ... Hebrews** (Part 10)

by Dave Rogers

Among the denominations of Christendom, one of the most overlooked lessons of the book of Hebrews is the statement in chapter 9:8-9 to the effect that **the first tabernacle** (the one revealed to Moses on Mt. Sinai, and constructed under his supervision, Exodus 25-40) **was intended to serve as a figure for the time of the church.** (The Greek word for "figure" is *para-bolay*, a *parable* or *comparison*.)

The **tabernacle** – or since the time of Solomon, the *temple* – was the single most visible symbol of Hebrew religious identity for most Jews, especially since Herod had rebuilt and enlarged it, beginning before the birth of Jesus. By using the word tabernacle ("**tent**") instead of "temple" and by describing it as a "figure," the Holy Spirit is emphasizing the *temporary, impermanent character* of everything associated with it (i.e., the whole Jewish religion). This is why the inspired writer makes the point in verses 9-10 that the offerings and sacrifices required by Moses' law could not "perfect" those who offered them, and why they were to be offered **ONLY** until the "time of reformation." (The *time of reformation* is a fascinating expression, which literally means "to thoroughly straighten out," in the sense of correcting or improving something that is inadequate!)

In verse 11, the coming of the Christ had signaled the arrival of that time of reformation and the coming of a **better** tabernacle (the church). Because HE is the high priest of the "good things to come" – everything that the old covenant had pre-figured – HIS offering is able to provide eternal redemption (vs. 12) instead of the temporary redemp-

tion provided by the sacrifices and offerings of Moses' law (vs. 25).

Jesus stated plainly in Matthew 5:17 that He came to "fulfill" that law, not to destroy it – the error of our friends in the denominations lies in failing to recognize the lesson from Hebrews 7:12 – that with a change in priesthood comes a change in the law that authorizes that priesthood, so that we are not under the authority of the ten commandments (or ANY of the old testament's directions), but the authority of the law of Christ (cf. Galatians 6:2).

Hebrews 9:13-22 reinforces the point that what Jesus offers surpasses **any** blessing a Jew could receive through observing Moses' law by emphasizing the superiority of everything He provides:

- In vv. 13-14 and 18-22, Jesus offers "better" blood than the sacrifices of bulls and goats, because His blood can cleanse our souls of sin, rather than simply purify the flesh in a ceremonial sense;
- In verse 15, He is the mediator of a "better" covenant (cf. Jeremiah 31:31-34) than the one given through Moses, because it is able to permanently redeem us from the consequences of transgressions.

The summary of these thoughts comes in vv. 23-28, where the Holy Spirit shows that everything about the law of Moses and the practice of Judaism was meant to serve as a pattern of better things to come through the Messiah, Who could take care of the problem of our sins permanently!

Worship Assignment Coordinator for December: Holden Cella

**Communion Preparation**

Available on the table in the foyer

**Nursery**

(closed for now)

**Visitors' Center**

Dec 4 Sandy Garner/Allene Scoma  
11 Kathleen Johnson/Petra Newby  
18 Barbara Edmonds/Theresa Green  
25 Sally Wallace/Janis Libby

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Jan 1 Carla Sorrell/Linda Johnson

**Care of Building**

1-15 Dennis Graham/Steve Esler  
16-31 JD Branch/David Hopkins

**Media Center**

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

**Wednesday Evening**

**Devotionals**

Dec 7 — Paul Lyons  
Dec 14 — Carson Hopkins

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gsop-fayetteville-campus  
Rick Sharpe, Campus Director

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**Bible Studies, Articles & Books for Spiritual Growth**

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**The Fountain of Life**  
With **Larry Acuff**

**In SEARCH of the Lord's Way**  
With **Phil Sanders**  
Sunday at 7:30am,

**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	Rick Sharpe
Hugh Kelly	Jack Sorrell

**Records You Made – November 27**

Bible Classes	86-10 Units Online
10 am Worship	143-29 Units Online
5 pm Worship	66-12 Units Online
Offering	\$10,763.26
Wednesday Bible Study	61-15 Units

**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  
(Classes begins Sept 13 - May 16)

**Wednesday Evening**

Bible Classes at 7pm

**Our Mission Works**

Graham & Elizabeth McDonald - Scotland  
Victor & Esperanza González-Geronimo - Mexico  
Raintree Village Children's Home

# Holiday Dinner for our Families

December 10, 6pm

The meal will be catered.

We will have a  
White Elephant" Gift Exchange  
(One for our Adults  
and one for our kids.)



Bring your Christmas gifts to the building by December 10th.

## Calendar Events

December 10, 6pm - Holiday Dinner

December 11 - Bring your Holiday Cards for the bags.

December 18 - Pick up your Holiday Card bag in the foyer.

January 7 - Feed the Homeless Drive — donations of coats, socks, hats, gloves, & warm clothes needed.

January 18 - Life Line Screening (Health Screening in the Fellowship Hall)

Visit [LLSA.SOCIAL/HC](http://LLSA.SOCIAL/HC). Cost \$149.00

February 11th, 8:30 - Ladies' Day @ FCOC

## 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](http://www.fcoc.com) — click on "live broadcast."

## Family Matters

### Keep in Prayers

The Cella family – All sick but doing a little better.

Charles Nash – Was injured in an accident at work and is now recovering at home. Also Peyton and Maggie Lyn both have the flu.

Cornelia Rose – Larry's mother is hospitalized in Boston, MA.

Betty Jo Nash – Will have cataract surgery.

Andrew Williams – Improving, and expected to come home this week-end.

Barbara Edmonds – Is doing better, and is now able to be out some.

Margie Fields – Is recovering at home after heart surgery. Calls or cards are appreciated.

Una Fortson – Has returned home; calls and visits are welcome!

Sally Wallace – Will have back surgery in March 2023.

Jim O'Brien – Is continuing chemo.

Ruby Fowler – Will be going home after her stay in rehab.

Myrtie Robinson – Sue Riley's sister has been diagnosed with aggressive breast cancer and will have surgery in January. Her address is 1127 County Rd 19, Newell, AI 36280.

Betty Willis – Mother of Stronda James, suffered a heart attack last week and received a stent.

**Our brethren on both sides of the war in Ukraine.**

### Continue Prayers for:

Burma Chapman – Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville, 355 Brandywine Blvd, Sunny Suite #10, Fayetteville, GA 30214. Visitors are welcome.

Wayne Nash – Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville, Safe

Harbor room 11. Visits are welcome.

Mrs. Killingsworth – Keith's mother has been moved to the Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville.

### Members With Health Issues:

Martha Vickery, Debbie Decker, Doris Buckner, Ray & Tina Russell, Jim Pelfrey, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Jim & Sharon O'Brien, Mary Lawrence, Brian Harris, Brenda Mitchell, Dale & Susan Findley, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, David & Sue Riley, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge

### Shut-ins:

Bill & Jo Ruffer, Una Fortson, Ruby Fowler, Harry & Mattie Williams, Estell Higginbotham, Joanne Crook and Alyce Hubbert

### Our Missionaries and their families:

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

### Others With Health Problems:

Walter Peeler, Michael Armstrong, Jeanelle Mc-Nease, William Hudson & Harry Smith (Susan Smith's brother and husband), Justin Lucas, Jules Durden, Jackie Couch (Ginny's husband), Xernonia Fortson, Ruth King (Melanie Boelsterli's aunt), Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe's sister), Lamar Elder, Carol Waits (Martha Vickery's daughter), Evelyn King (Annette Butler's aunt), Shirley Johnson (Andy's mother), 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), Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family) and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

Thank You

Dear FCOC Family,  
Thank you so much for the care packages that was prepared and sent to us. It was a big surprise and really meant a lot getting a package from home. We enjoyed reading all the sweet letters from the kids. We are looking forward to coming home for Thanksgiving. We have missed you all.

Love, Jake and Kaydie