

	4/16	4/23	4/30
Call To Worship	Dave Rogers	Jonah Dawes	David Gullede
Scripture Reading	Tucker Hopkins	Carson Hopkins	Peyton Nash
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Jimmy Garner
Prayer	Eric Hagin	Tom Durden	Steve Hopkins
Preside Lord's Supper	David Gullede	Dale Findley	JD Branch
Usher	Gayle Pelfrey	Emmitt Libby	Gayle Pelfrey
Sermon	Jonah Dawes	David Gullede	Dave Rogers
Closing Prayer	Holden Cella	David Hopkins	Jack Sorrell
Evening Worship			
Announcements	Dave Rogers	Jonah Dawes	David Gullede
Song Leader	Coney Johnson	Stan Mitchell	Jimmy Garner
Prayer	Rick Sharpe	Curtis Hurt	Hugh Kelley
Sermon	Jonah Dawes	Singing Night	Dave Rogers
Lord's Supper	David Gullede	Dale Findley	JD Branch
Prayer	Jon Buckner	Andy Johnson	Ethan Boelsterli

Worship Assignment Coordinator for March: Jon Buckner

### Communion Preparation

Available on the table in the foyer

#### Nursery

16 Melody Johnson  
26 Crystin Gullede  
30 Katherine Hopkins

#### Visitors' Center

16 Kathleen Johnson/  
Denise Greene  
23 Toni Stinson/Janis Libby  
30 Carla Sorrell/Linda Johnson

#### Care of Building

16-30 Jonah Dawes/JD Branch

#### Media Center

16

**Sound Board** Jon Buckner  
**Streaming** Eric Hagin

#### Sound & Media Computer

Holden Cella  
**Training** DJ Phillips

23

**Sound Board** David Hopkins

#### Streaming

Holden Cella

#### Sound & Media Computer

Steve Esler

#### Training

Carson Hopkins

30

**Sound Board** Carson Hopkins

#### Streaming

Steve Esler

#### Sound & Media Computer

Dennis Graham

#### Training

David Hopkins

#### Wednesday Evening

#### Devotionals

Apr 19 — Carson Hopkins

Apr 26 — Greg Nash

### Assembly Schedule:

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

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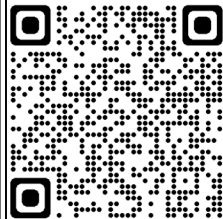
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<http://gsoponline.org/gsop-fayetteville-campus>  
Rick Sharpe, Campus Director

### 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



### In SEARCH of the Lord's Way With Phil Sanders

Sunday at 7:30am, Stations 69 or 45  
April 23—Take Up Your Cross  
April 30—Can A Christian Be Lost?

### WATCH!

*The Fountain of Life*  
With Larry Acuff

Saturdays at 7 am on channel 57

### Elders

Tom Durden(770) 652-7389

Jim Garner (770) 461-3197

Greg Nash (404) 455-1546

### 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 – April 9, 2023

Bible Classes	86-9 Units Online
10 am Worship	168-21 Units Online
5 pm Worship	66-10 Units Online
Offering	\$9,749.00
Wednesday Bible Study	67-4 Units Online



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## Basic Facts from...2 PETER (Part 3)

by Dave Rogers

The conclusion of Peter's inspired writing ultimately centers around one basic point, found in 2 Peter 3:11-13 – every Christian should soberly consider *“What kind of person **should** I be (since I **am** a Christian) as I live on this side of eternity?”* The preface to our being able to properly answer this question is the reminder in verses 1-7 that...

- We've been warned that “scoffers” (vs. 3) will mock our faith because **following** it would mean they could not indulge in desires to sin, and...
- They will deliberately ignore history in their attempts to involve us in their sins (vv. 5-6).

The basic “lesson” of this reminder comes in verses 8-10, where Peter points out that **the passing of time does not diminish the certainty that God will fulfill His promises.** The comparison of “one day” and “a thousand years” merely serves to emphasize this point. Some people mistakenly try to equate these amounts of time, in an effort to equate the span of human history with the six days of the creation week in Genesis 1-2, and thereby “time” the coming of the day of judgement, and while the end of time **is** plainly in view here, the Holy Spirit is **not** providing us with a “count-down clock” so that we can pinpoint that day (see Jesus' words in Matthew 24:36). Peter's point is the **certainty** of God's promised day of judgement (cf. Acts 17:31), not its date!

Peter introduces and emphasizes the **main** lesson – that because we know for sure that a day of judgement **shall** come, every Christian should

concentrate seriously on how we are living in the **current** world – by pointing out that the material universe where we now live is destined for destruction (vs. 10).<sup>1</sup> If “this world is **not** my home,” as our old hymn so pointedly declares, then Peter's point in these verses leads to the very thing he declares in verse 13; that our focus and our actions while **here** should be directed toward being “found” where righteousness and peace are located (vv. 13-14).

In verses 15-16, it is interesting to realize that Peter was familiar with at least some of the letters Paul had written, as his reference to the Lord's longsuffering and desire for people to repent is very similar to Paul's words in Romans 2:4. When Peter mentions that some things Paul wrote are “hard to understand,” he is simply acknowledging that some parts of the gospel require more effort to understand than others (and Christians who are ignorant and careless can easily misunderstand and misuse the more “difficult” parts, which will lead them to destruction just like the scoffers of verse 3).

The final analysis of all this, in verses 17-18, is actually pretty simple: Since we know that some people will scoff and others will handle God's word carelessly, **we** should be “on guard” for ourselves, and concentrate on growing and developing into mature children of God!

<sup>1</sup> Some newer English translations use words like *exposed* (ESV) or *laid bare* (NIV) instead of the more familiar *burned up* at the end of verse 10 because of differences in some of the ancient Greek texts. What is noteworthy is that changing these words does not alter the basic thought (destruction of the material world) expressed in verses 11-12. In addition, other translations that are also based on the same Greek texts nevertheless retain the expression *burned up* in verse 10 (ASV, NASV, and RSV).

## Youth Calendar

Apr 16 — Teen Sing

May 7 — Senior Dinner

May 30 — White-water Rafting

June 2 — FROG's Day

June 5 — Guys'/Girls' Day

June 8 — Movie Night at Firepit

June 18 — VBS Decorating Day

June 21-24 — VBS

June 26 — "Make Me a Servant"  
Week

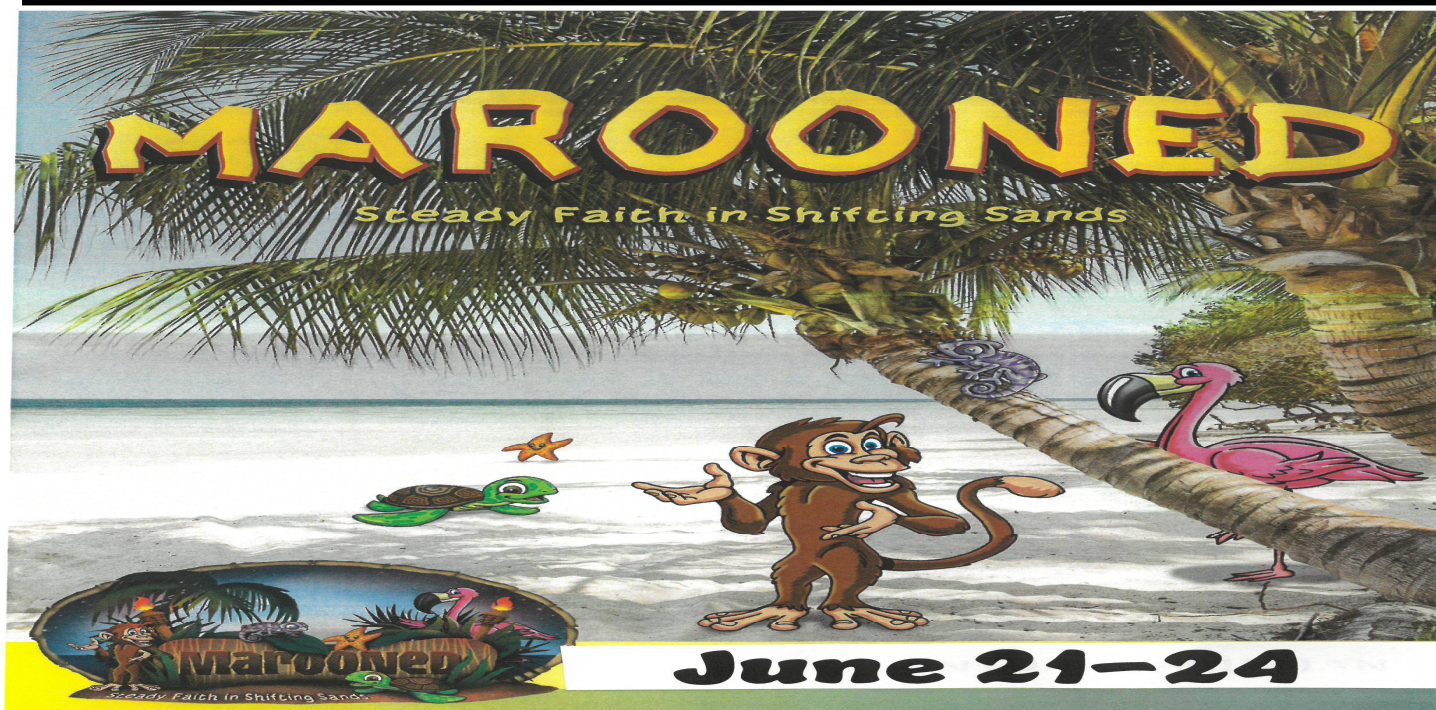
July 1 — Six Flags Day

July 7 — FROG's Day

July 18 — Movie Night at the Firepit

July 9-13 — VBS ... Mission trip to Warrenton, GA.

**Your help is needed!**  
**(Volunteers and financial aid)**



**The van will leave the building at 1 pm.**

**April Birthdays**  
16  
Charity Nash  
17  
Steve Hopkins  
19  
Nala Findley  
24  
Tim Tittle  
27  
Doris Buckner  
Jim Lindsey

## 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

**Sympathy** – We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family of Bro. & Sis. Victor and Esperanza Gonzalez Geronimo for the sudden loss their son, Luis Angel Gonzalez last week. Keep this family in your family in your prayers.

### Keep in Prayer

Martha Vickery – Is in Piedmont Fayette Hospital after a fall that broke her hip last week.

Andrew Williams – Is now recovering at home.

Jeanelle McNease – Is home recovering.

Emmett Libby – Will have back surgery this month.

Jim Pelfrey – Is continuing Chemo & Radiation treatment.

Ron Biles – Is recovering at home and feeling better

Jim O'Brien – Is continuing chemo treatments, and will begin immuno-therapy in August.

### 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.

Shelby Killingsworth – (Keith's mother) Hope Center Memory Care in Fayetteville (Safe Harbor room 15).

Mary Lawrence – The Oaks at Fayetteville, 1294 Hwy 54 West, Room 107, Fayetteville, 30214. Visitors are welcome.

### Members With Health Issues:

Tom & Christie Belk, David & Sue Riley, Doris Buckner, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Jim & Sharon O'Brien, Brian Harris, Rick & RuPearl Sharpe, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge

### Shut-ins:

Margie Fields, Una Fortson, Ruby Fowler, Harry & Mattie Williams and Estell Higginbotham,

### Our Missionaries and their families:

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

### Others With Health Problems:

Benson Smith (Harry's brother), Richard & Cathy Oliver (Brenda Mitchell's mother and stepfather), Eyvonne King (Annette Butler's cousin), Chris Lee (Cathy Harris' cousin), Aukse Harris (Linda Armstrong's adopted daughter), Myrtie Robinson (Sue Riley's sister), Jackie Couch (Ginny's husband), Xermonia Fortson, Ruth King (Melanie Boelsterli's aunt), Frankie Griffin (RuPearl Sharpe's sister), Lamar Elder, Carol Waites (Martha Vickery's daughter), Shirley Johnson (Andy's mother), Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's parents), Marvin Cook (Coney Johnson's uncle), Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents), Lil Caughen (Poskevich family) and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

## Our Mexico Mission trip will be June 10-17, 2023

### We need YOUR support!

We have an opportunity to serve the Lord in June by helping our brethren in Villa Ocuilzapotlan, Tabasco, Mexico. We're planning a mission trip to support the church there, and to introduce others to the gospel for the first time.

The dates for this trip are **June 10-17, 2023**. We will have Bible classes each afternoon, and a gospel meeting in the evenings. We will also visit shut-ins.

The members are interested in purchasing the land and building their currently worship in, but your help is needed. See Jim Pelfrey or Dennis Graham for information.

**One reason to help other congregations like this is because it strengthens the church here!**

## Calendar Events

**Today—Short Meeting with everyone going on the Mexico Mission Trip**

**April 27** — LifeLine "Cardiovascular" Health Screening in the fellowship hall all day (register online)

**April 30** — 5th Sunday Lunch after the AM Services

**May 7** — Senior Dinner hosted by the Elders' Wives

**June 30, July 28 & Aug 25** — "Ladies' Night Light," a summer series for Women & Girls. Join us for fellowship, bible study, and a fun activity!