

## APRIL 2025

- 4 Homegoing Service - Mo. Fenner @ 10am
- 5 \* 1st Saturday Prayer @ 7am via Zoom  
ID:825 3345 6625; Passcode: GCCPRAYS
  - \* College Hangout PICNIC
  - \* Metro Transitional Center
- 6 1st Sunday Communion; SOG Conclave
- 8-10 COGIC April Call Meeting, Memphis, TN
- 13 Palm Sunday
  - \* Atlanta Symphony Orchestra & Vaccines
- 15 DRC2 Departmental Meeting
- 16-18 Holy Week:
  - \* Seder (Ignite & The Bridge) *details to come*
  - \* 16 & 17 - 7pm @ GCC
  - \* 18 - Good Friday: New Birth MBC, 12pm  
Conversations Around the Cross, 7pm
- 20 Resurrection Sunday
- 21 Elevate Bible Study
- 25 Seniors Outing
- 26 Marriage University Enrichment Clinic

### THIS MONTH'S SERVICES & PRAYER

**Sunday Services: 8:00am & 11:00am**

*In-person / YouTube*

**Sunday School: 9:45am (Hybrid)**

**Wednesday @ 7:00pm - WOW (YouTube)**

**Youth in-person: 1st & 3rd Wed. @ 6:30pm**

### PRAYER:

**Monday - Friday: 7:00-7:15am (via Phone)**

*Sunrise Devotion Prayer*

667-770-1536; Playback 667-770-1535

Access code, 315531

9:00am (onsite)

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**Monday's @ 6:30pm**

**Prayer & Bible Band (via Phone)**

717-908-1985, code 358237

## 7 STEPS TO THE KINGDOM

1. **Greeting:** "Hello, may I have one minute of your time?"
2. **State:** "Did you know that Jesus Christ is Lord? Well, He is and wants to be your Lord and Savior. He loves you. A lot of people want to be saved but don't know how."
3. **Say:** "Romans 10:9 says; if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."
4. **Ask:** "Can you say Lord Jesus?"
5. **Pray:** "Lord Jesus, Forgive me of all my sins. I believe You died on the cross, were buried and rose on the third day. Right now, I open the door of my hart to You and receive You as my personal Lord and Savior."
6. **Question:** According to the prayer you just prayed...where is the Lord? **Answer:** "in my heart".
7. **Confirmation:** (when the correct answer is given share 1 John 4:4) Greater is He that is within you than he that is in the world.

- **Welcome them to the family of God**
- **Encourage them to join a bible teaching and believing church**
- **Invite them to service with you!**

# FAITH FOCUS

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## Welcome to Spring!

### *Greetings and God Bless You in this Holy Season of Lent!*

What an amazing ninety-days of Awareness Sanctification with a ministry focus on OTHERS! This season of worship, work, sacrifice and benevolence in so many spaces has been our lenten fast.

What is Lent? Lent is a significant 40-day period in the Christian liturgical calendar that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday. During this time, many Christians engage in fasting, prayer, and acts of self-denial to commemorate Jesus Christ's 40-day fast in the wilderness and his subsequent death and resurrection. The number 40 holds biblical significance, mirroring not only Jesus' time in the desert but also the 40 days of the Great Flood and the Israelites' 40 years in the wilderness. Traditional Lenten practices include giving up certain foods or luxuries, increasing prayer and charitable giving, and focusing on spiritual reflection and repentance. The period excludes Sundays in its count, as these are considered "mini-Easters" celebrating Christ's resurrection.



As we focus on our journey to Calvary to reflect on the journey of our Lord, let us prepare to celebrate the Resurrection of Christ! Our Holy Week 2025 schedule will include our sacred presentation of the Passover Meal (Seder) for our young adults and JGP 6-12 grades as we continue to mentor them in discipleship. We will observe our Maundy Thursday Sacramental Service with Holy Communion, Feet Washing and Water Baptism. Good Friday (day) we will celebrate with New Birth Church in Stonecrest, Georgia and celebrate Conversations Around the Cross in the evening in our sanctuary. We'll culminate our journey to Resurrection on Sunday at 8am, 9:30am and 11am services and children celebrations!

We are trusting God to be a blessing to our Music Ministry on Resurrection Sunday with a Super Seed Gift that will provide needed funding for our first Voices of Greater LIVE MUSICAL RECORDING!

God has blessed us to be a blessing and we are partnering with God for the benefit and blessing of OTHERS as we bring kingdom to community!

Stay in His face, journey well!

+Matthew L. Brown, Th.D.  
Pastor-Teacher

## Daily Scripture Readings

*Read the chapter in its entirety and focus on the "daily scripture".*

- Day 1: Joel 2:12
- Day 2: Matthew 16:16-18
- Day 3: Isaiah 58:6-7
- Day 4: Matthew 4:4
- Day 5: Galatians 5:24
- Day 6: Daniel 9:3
- Day 7: 2 Corinthians 5:21
- Day 8: Psalm 51:10
- Day 9: James 4:8
- Day 10: Matthew 6:21
- Day 11: 2 Chronicles 7:14
- Day 12: Acts 3:19
- Day 13: Psalm 51: 10-12
- Day 14: Isaiah 30:15
- Day 15: 2 Peter 3:9
- Day 16: Jeremiah 29:11-13
- Day 17: Psalm 73:28
- Day 18: Hebrews 10:22
- Day 19: Psalm 145:18
- Day 20: Romans 12:2
- Day 21: 2 Corinthians 5:17
- Day 22: Ephesians 4:22-24
- Day 23: Titus 3:5
- Day 24: Lamentations 3:22-23
- Day 25: John 11:25\_26
- Day 26: Mark 8:31
- Day 27: John 3:16-17
- Day 28: 1 John 1:19
- Day 29: Isaiah 1:18
- Day 30: Colossians 1:13-14