

# Good News

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#### SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY ACTIVITY

##### SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.

Worship.....10:20 a.m.

Worship.....5:00 p.m.

##### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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## ON THE HOME FRONT

Gary Colley

As was announced last Sunday, our classes' Promotion Day at Getwell will be next Sunday, September 7. Children are important to us at Getwell! It is good to see our young people sitting toward the front during our worship services. The singing is improved, and so is the preaching encouraged! We know that promotion day is a very exciting time for our young people. It is not only that they are another year older, but also that their level of learning has increased. It is exciting for our parents and our older members to see their interest and love for the Truth.

We believe that we have some of the most prepared teachers anywhere to be found, because they believe in the three O'S:

They realize their **OBLIGATION** to be prepared by study and prayer (II Tim. 2:15; 3:16-17; Jas. 3:1; II Pet. 3:18; I Thess.5:17). We commend our teachers, in addition to their study and prayer, for their preparation, faithfulness, and enthusiasm. Also, for their investigation of their Bible, their Bible dictionary, concordance, and commentaries.

We believe they also see their **OPPORTUNITY** to mold young minds in the right way of the Lord. They put the Lord's laws in the minds of our young and write them in their hearts (Heb. 8:10-12). This will bring them success in making a life in Christ, as they go out to make a living. They will always be "our epistles written in our hearts, known and read of all men" (II Cor. 3:2-6).

Our teachers may also anxiously await the **OUTCOME** of their diligent work. When in the future they see these young people serve as preachers, elders, deacons, Bible class teachers, and good fathers and mothers, how great will be their reward! And, their work with these precious souls will endure for eternity (II Cor. 5:10-11; Prov. 23:7)!

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## “Then Sings My Soul . . .” – IV

Gary Colley

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Our hearts sing because of many reasons, but especially due to the beauties of our abode and the august power of the Creator of the earth and the created heavens above, which are declared to be made by God in the Bible. Do we rejoice that “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth,” and that for our enjoyment (Gen. 1:1)? Do we remember that the Christian is the only one who can say, “Our Father made all that you can see”? How our hearts thrill to the awesome world around us! The Psalmist said,

When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, The moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained [set in order]; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man, that thou visitest him? (Psa. 8:3-4).

And we remember that, “Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God” (Psa. 90:2).

### He Is Mindful of Us

How our heart should sing when we know that though God our Father is the mighty Creator, yet still He makes frail man the object of regard and the recipient of His favor? Do we rejoice and sing at the fact that,

The heavens declare the glory of God;  
And the firmament showeth his

handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, And night unto night showeth knowledge. There is no speech nor language; Their voice is not heard (Psa. 19:1-3).

Paul wrote,

For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they [the worldly], are without excuse [in refusing to acknowledge Him] (Rom. 1:20).

### Take Time To Observe

We should take some time each changing season and each day to simply view and appreciate the Heavens and the earth and to know the rich blessings of God in our surroundings! When we view the sunrise or sunset, the mountains and the vales, the beautiful color of flowers, and the star-lit sky, we are awed in seeing the work of God. Hearing the peal of thunder, the song of the birds, and the anthem of the pines, we remember God's presence and power are manifested! This should call for and be the cause of great praise in songs from our heart, to express thanks to the Mighty Creator from whom all of our blessings flow! How gracious on His part are His daily blessings! How precious to each of us.

“THEN SINGS MY SOUL MY SAVIOUR  
GOD TO THEE. . . .”

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# Sharpening The Sword

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## Creation Fact #42 Evidence from Anatomy

“In order for us to see, many chemical and electrical reactions must take place in the proper sequence. Even more importantly, these reactions must happen almost instantaneously for us to see what is happening, while it is still happening.

“Researchers have recently discovered just how quickly light causes the first chemical change within our eye. In order for our brain to see an image, a chemical in our eye which is sensitive to light must respond as soon as a photon of light strikes it. This type of chemical change is called a photochemical reaction. Photochemical reactions are the basis of how photographic paper works, but the reactions that result in a printed picture are extremely slow compared to the photochemical reactions in our eye. The fastest photographic film requires the camera lens to remain open for about 1/10,000 of a second. Biologists have found that the eye's photo-chemistry is so fast that the first reaction in the sequence takes place in approximately 1/5,000,000,000 (one-five billionth) of a second. **This is five hundred thousand times faster than our best film capabilities.**

“Our attempts to duplicate the processes in our eyes fall short of God's original design by such an extreme amount that Darwin himself admitted that the human eye seemed to defy his theory of evolution” (*A Closer Look at the Evidence*).

## Creation Fact #43 Evidence from Geology

“Textbooks have taught for generations that the massive coal formations which are found around the globe have taken millions of years to form. Creation scientists have refuted this claim citing multiple experimental evidence showing that coal can be produced in much less time under high pressure and temperature conditions. It has recently been shown that under certain conditions high pressure is not even necessary.

“Scientists at the Argonne National Laboratory took ordinary wood fragments mixed with acid-activated clay and water, and heated it at 300 OF for 28 days in an air-free quartz tube. They obtained a high grade of black coal even without the addition of pressure. Millions of years are not necessary to explain the formation of coal.

“Sadly, the standard textbook model involving millions of years and gradual formation of coal by peat swamps remains the only model presented to students. One wonders why this is the only possibility presented. Why is the possibility of a worldwide flood and rapid formation ignored? Sound scientific practice requires the consideration of all theories of coal formation rather than teaching a single possibility as if it were a fact” (*A Closer Look at the Evidence*).

— Ron Wallace

# FAMILY NEWS AND NOTES



**I WAS SICK AND  
YE VISITE ME  
(MATT. 25:36)**

Please keep those of our number who are home bound or in nursing homes: **Hazel Bizzell**, 3910 Stuart Rd. Apt. 701, 38111, 452-2679; **Nell Brandon**, Quince Nursing and Rehab Center, 6733 Quince Rd., Room 2006A, 38119; **Emma Brotherton**, Landmark of DeSoto, 3068 Nail Rd. W., Room 310B, Horn Lake, MS 38637; **Frances Collins**, 4779 Amboy Rd., 38117, 682-6917; **Mary Haynes**, 274 S. Highland, Apt. 808, 38111, 327-2127; **Addie Nelms**, 4007 Dunn Ave., 38111, 743-7554; **Skipper Schulz**, 139 Magnolia Dr., 38117, 683-3049; and **Minnie Wayne**, Gallaway Healthcare Center, Room 106, 435 Old Brownsville Rd., Gallaway, TN 38036, 317-4590.

## The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spiritual Sword Lectureship

### Deuteronomy

Moses' Masterpiece

October 19-23, 2008

*A warm and friendly  
welcome awaits you.*

## HISPANIC LECTURESHIP Getwell Iglesia de Cristo

**"More Than Conquerors"**  
Romans 8:37

October 18-19, 2008

**Carlos Barrientos, Director  
Minister of the  
Getwell Iglesia de Cristo**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 7, 2008

Welcome: George Cloys  
Lead Singing: Pat Phillips  
Opening Prayer: Ron Wallace (a.m.)  
John Watkins (p.m.)  
Sermon: Gary Colley  
Closing Prayer: John Chaney (a.m.)  
Larry Pike (p.m.)

## OUR ATTITUDE

August 31, 2008

Bible Study	76
Morning Worship	105
Evening Worship	62
Wednesday (8/27)	53
Contribution	\$3,690.04
Weekly Budget	\$3,665.00

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