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Taking Installation to The Next Level

By: Richard Dean

Pastor Charlie Powell of Bread of Life Worship Center was Master of Ceremonies for the installation service on 13 Feb 2011 of **Next Level Ministry**, the church at 2399 Greeson Drive, Statham, Ga, 30666. Pastor Powell introduced the NEXT LEVEL WORSHIP TEAM. The worship team blessed all of the roughly 160 people present with the excellent energetic worship songs, *I'm Chasing After You*, *We Worship You*, and *I Am a Friend of God*.

This reporter sat with Pastor Doris L. Lewis of Move of God Church in Winder. Mother Lewis pointed out that all of the young adults in the front of the church, including Pastor Walter J. Cleveland III were her grandchildren. (cont on pg 2)

Lyons in the Temple

By: R. D. Hempton



The Reverend Usia Lyons IV, Pastor of Temple Of Glory and his First Lady, TaJuana Lyons

Pastor Usia Lyons IV of Winder's **Temple of Glory** preached his first sermon at the tender age of six. He is now 31. He received his calling at age 13 and by age 17 was in the ministry.

This pastor displays a zeal for the Lord. (cont. pg 3)

Reaching Out for Christ

By: O. Zellinger

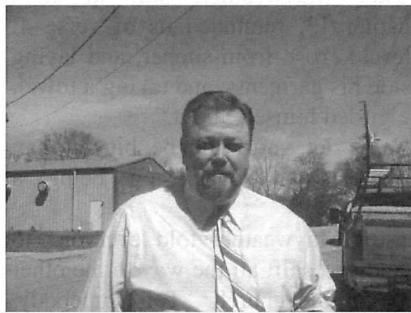
"Come and be a part of these services where everybody is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord." This quote is taken from the business card of the Reverend Willie Harris Junior, pastor and founder of **Christ Outreach Worship Center** at 104 East Athens Street, Winder, Ga, 30680.

The Second Annual Men's Conference was in full swing as this reporter walked into CHRIST OUTREACH on 23 Feb 2011. "What is your Kryptonite?" The pastor asked. "It may be liquor. It may be women. It may be gambling. What things do you allow to come before the Lord?"

The Christ Outreach praise team was excellent and highly energetic. The men were ecstatically praising God. (cont on pg 3).

Falling for the Lord

By: M. Davis-Weeks



Pastor Phillip Adair of Sanctuary of the Holy Spirit

In 2006, while exploring the abandoned church building, considering buying it to open a new church, Pastor Phil ascended the stairs in the bell tower. When he placed his weight on the floor, it collapsed and he fell all the way to the basement.

"I found myself in the basement with a pain in my foot." (cont. Pg 4).

Birthday of an Apostle

By: R. D. Hempton



The Apostle and pastor and founder of Move of God Church, Doris L. Lewis.

"Mother Lewis," as those who know and love her refer to her, celebrated her 81st birthday on Saturday 5 Mar 2011. Well over a hundred people attended the incredible celebration. The celebration was done in Mother Lewis' favorite way - praising and worshipping God.

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Following Victory Deliverance

By: R. D. Hempton

People from four churches showed up at Victory Deliverance Center in Winder to hear the excellent preaching of Pastor Michael Smith on Tuesday 8 March 2011 at 1930 (730pm).

BFN reported in December that the church would restart the Tuesday Bible study after the first of the year. "I want it all back." Declared Pastor Smith to a congregation made up of people from Victory Deliverance Center, Living Hope Christian Fellowship, Move of God Church and Christ Outreach Worship Center.

In 1975 Pastor Smith began in the ministry. He has been preaching for 36 years and has been at Victory Deliverance for 18 years. It is his sixth congregation. (cont on pg 5)

Next Level (from pg 1)



Pastor Walter J. Cleveland III of NEXT LEVEL Ministries and his First Lady, Ashanda Cleveland.

"Before I formed you in thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations." Jer 1:5.

This scripture was read over the pastor and his wife as well as I Tim 1:4 – "Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do.

This is when the Calvary Missionary Baptist Church Praise Team began their incredible praise and worship music in the midst of about 160 people with *Give Myself Away*. Then the most amazing thing happened: in mid-song the Calvary Missionary Baptist Choir stood up in the middle of the congregation and joined the praise team. They then went into *My Life is Not my Own*. The music was the sort that one's spirit can float away on – the kind that ushers one into the presence of the Lord.

Brother Jeff Wilson reminded us all of John 20:20, after which the offering was accepted and the Next Level Praise Team began, "May the glory of the Lord rise among us." This was followed by the Calvary Missionary Baptist Praise Team. When they sang, "No more shackles, no more chains, I am free," It brought this reporter to tears.

NEXT LEVEL MINISTRIES has an incredible mime team: The Silent Truth. They did a moving silent portrayal of the song, *He'll never put more on me than I can bear*.

Pastor Derek Mayweather brought the word. "Folks are always talking about how they walk with Jesus. In a **real** walk with Jesus your mouth will be closed. People have become

comfortable in the church. That is why some don't even participate. They wouldn't raise their arms if their armpits were burning.

"When you are in the body of Christ sometimes people "hear from God." The problem is that their lives do not show it. God does not waste words. What he says must be manifest. If you heard from him, it must manifest itself, or you did not hear from him. Why is it, if so many people have "heard from God," is there so much conflicting information? There are people who act as if the Holy Spirit only speaks to them.

"You have to know his times. You have to shift when God shifts. You have to be agile and ready to shift. You must be flexible. If you are fixed in a traditional mind set you cannot shift when he shifts. You cannot know his times.

"Don't think you're somebody because you have a title. Lose that title. Become an empty vessel. Stop being Pastor So-and-so, or Bishop So-and-so, or Apostle So-and-so, or Minister So-and-so. You don't need a title. When you see the Lord face to face in the kingdom, he's not going to pay any attention to your title. You'll just be plain So-and-so. When the shift is on, you'll have to take off all arrogance and pride and titles.

"If you want to go to the next level, then when everybody else is going up, you're gonna have to go down. The most powerful position is at his feet."

Pastor Mayweather, still in John chapter 13, reminded us of verse 4: (Jesus) "rose from supper, and laying aside his garments; and taking a towel, he girded himself about."

"Never let your title be bigger than your towel. Never stop being a servant."

Pastor Mayweather told everyone to stand and shift all the way to the other side of the church. "Tell somebody. Say, 'Shift!'" After having everyone in the church shift three times, he closed his sermon with a very emotionally charged and extremely energetic closing. As the music played, the pastor and the congregation sang, "Holy ground, yeah." For 18 minutes. The participation was incredible. People danced for the Lord, Praised him

loudly, fell on their knees and on their faces.

Bishop Melvin Lambert of Overcoming Church of Fayetteville, North Carolina actually performed the Ceremony of Installation. All-in-all, it was a very spirit-filled way to spend a Sunday evening.

"I grew up around the ministry." Pastor Cleveland told Battlefield News. "I've been involved in the things of the Lord all my life. At the age of seven I gave my life to Christ and began to minister at the age of 12. I became a youth pastor under my grandmother, Apostle Doris Lewis of Move of God Church."

Pastor Cleveland expounded on the need for reaching out to the youth and how they are the future. "Young people are out in the street looking for something different. We can show it to them."

Pastor Cleveland was ordained in 1998 at Move of God and is presently working on a theology degree at Grand Canyon University.

NEXT LEVEL MINISTRIES is in a free-standing building. "There is a group of guys in Barrow County called the Brotherhood Club," the pastor told BFN, "They only use the building twice a month. So, they allowed us to rent it and we opened the church in November."

"The worship experience is probably like no other in the county." Said Pastor Cleveland.

A youth conference is planned for April and Basketball tournaments for May. There is a mime ministry – The Silent Truth, and a whole lot of music ministry. Those at Next Level are putting together men's, women's and children's ministries.

There are about 30 warriors at the church and church leaders include Worship Leader Denzell Phillips and Minister of Music Jeffrey Wilson.

Service times are Sunday at 1000 and Bible study at 1900 (7pm) on Wednesday evening beginning some time in March.

The church may be contacted via e-mail at nextlevelministry09 @ gmail.com. Also by telephone – Pastor Walter Cleveland @ (678)975-0067 and First Lady Ashanda Cleveland @ (678)863-3289.

Lyons (from front page)



Pastor Lyons and First Lady TaJuana Lyons along with his mother and father, her mother and grandmother and family.

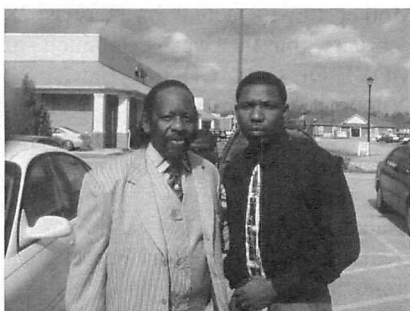
When he teaches and preaches his excitement causes an excitement in those present such that the zeal for the Lord that he displays is always seen in those in his congregation.

Pastor Lyons comes from New Orleans and began TEMPLE OF GLORY in February of 2010 with two people. The church grew and rented the American Legion Hall, where another pastor they did not know heard Pastor Lyons preach and arranged for the building the church is now in.

"I don't want people to get caught up in me. God is way too big for that." Pastor Lyons told BFN. "I want people who come in to feel the love of Christ."

"Satan knows that, if his house is divided, it cannot stand. Why is it that, we, as believers, cannot come together in one accord? There is only one body of Christ. We are all one body.

"I've read the end of the book. We don't lose. It may have looked like we lost for awhile but we have not. Just look at the cross.



Pastor Usia Lyons IV and his father Bishop Usia Lyons III, pastor of Worked Up Faith Ministries in New Orleans, Louisiana.

TEMPLE OF GLORY MINISTRIES

"A place where the glory of God is revealed."

Usia and TaJuana have four beautiful children: Ashley, Usia V, and the twins, Isaac and Isaiah. (all pictured left).

This reporter has worshipped with the congregation of Temple of Glory on more than one occasion. On one such occasion 26 people from Kingdom Realm Church showed up to support Pastor Lyons' ministry. This is what we do. We support each other's ministries and efforts for the kingdom. We are one body. We are **not** many independent bodies. The **WHOLE BODY OF CHRIST ALLIANCE** is about the business of helping each other to come out of the mindset that its all about our church and, as the Lord has decreed, to enter the mindset that it is all about his kingdom, his body, of which we are all organs and organ systems.

Church leaders at Temple of Glory include Janice Maxwell, Prayer warrior and Church Secretary; Deacons Ceasar Ruffin and Norman Lord; Prayer Warriors Sharon Ruffin, an evangelist, and Jessie Davenport, the church Mother; Youth Pastor Alwon Mayweather, Stacy Mazelle, the Sunday School Teacher; Angel Celastine, who teaches Sunday School for the youth, and Apostle Paul Thomas.

The Church is planning a youth conference weekend on the 19th, 20th, and 21st of March at 1700 (5pm) daily. In April a Baptismal Easter Sunday (Resurrection day) is planned and service will be outside, weather permitting.

Service times are as follows: Sunday School at 1030, Worship Service at 1130, Sunday evening service at 1700 (5pm) every 4th Sunday, and Thursday evening Bible Study at 1915 (715pm). Contact with this unit of about 35 believers may be established by calling Pastor Usia Lyon IV at (770)709-2233; First Lady TaJuana Lyons at (770)709-2244; or Youth Pastor Alwon Mayweather at (678)755-7522. They may also be contacted via e-mail at Templeofglory2 @ gmail.com, or at Alwonmayweather2 @ yahoo.com. The physical address of the church is 36 Piedmont Drive, Winder, Georgia, 30680.

Reaching Out (from pg 1)

"If God be for us, who can be against us? We are unstoppable by the power of Jesus Christ."

Every man and the few women that were present could be seen in front of the altar with hands raised, praising God with fervor.

The Reverend Anthony Smith, pastor of O'Kelley Chapel Baptist Church in Loganville preached on that Wednesday.

Pastor Harris first thanked God for Pastor Smith and then thanked Pastor Smith for "preaching his heart out."

"I used to drag race in the street years ago." Shared Pastor Harris. "I was out of control. Most men are out of control. If you can't serve God, you are out of control. For me, it was women. Then, in 1972 I messed up and married a saved woman. I was realizing that God was real. Then in 1982 she died. I went backward and began running with 12 different women. God took every one of them and every one else away from me so he could deal with me."

Christ Outreach Worship Center began 7 September 2008. I met Jesus on the cross," shared Pastor Harris, "in September of 1985 at three o'clock in the afternoon and I fell down and cried out to him and all guilt and pain was gone from me. I was free. I cried out, 'Lord, here am I. Send me.'"

The church is planning a women's revival on a date and time to be announced. Pastor Harris is also planning soon to begin taking the word of God into people's homes.

"We must be ever mindful," says Pastor Willie Harris, "of Proverbs 16:20 - 'He that handleth a matter wisely should find good: and whose trusteth in the Lord, happy is he.' The enemy came against me and my wife and she could turn no women around because of it. Trust in God. We are still working."

Pastor Harris told BFN that Christ Outreach has about ten mighty prayer warriors, including James Jordan, and a deacon - Phillip Wells, an evangelist.

Service times are as follows: Sunday School at 0930, worship at 1100, evening praise and worship is at 1830

(6pm) and Wednesday Bible study is at 1900 (7pm).

The address again is 104 East Athens Street, Winder, Ga, 30680 – across the street from the community center. Pastor Harris may be contacted at (770)867-5910.

Falling (from front page)

“And I had almost bitten my tongue off.” Continued Pastor Adair. “I was taken out of there by an ambulance.”

It took a year to heal from those wounds but while the healing was taking place, a man called and wanted to donate the church.

The mayor of Winder introduced Pastor Adair to the fire chief, who recommended he not use the church building. A structural engineer, however, thought it would work fine.

The 104-year-old church was donated to SANCTUARY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT by Winder’s Dr. C. B. Skelton in 2006. The church, originally built in 1904, was a Methodist/Episcopal Church.

The Service began with the music of the Sanctuary of the Holy Spirit Praise Team led by Andrea Corbello, Minister of Music. The music accomplished exactly what praise and worship music is supposed to accomplish. It helped us all to be in touch with the Holy Spirit. It was very effective and exceptional. It is apparently the practice of this congregation to remain standing for the entire time of praise and worship. This reporter was in tears – the tears that come from being in the presence of the Living God - for the entire time of praise and worship.

“When we invoke his name,” Pastor Adair began addressing the congregation of about 40 people, “things happen. We don’t realize how close this life and the next really are.”

He spoke about his son, Sean, who was in intensive care at the time. He shared that Sean saw a man in the doorway of his hospital room praying. He recognized a family friend who had passed on some years earlier.

“We need a spiritual understanding,” explained the pastor, “of earthly relationships. Jesus compares his relationship with the church to the relationship of a husband and wife.

“In the beginning, Adam’s job was threefold with respect to the earth: Fill it, subdue it and take dominion over it. He failed in maturity.”

“...The weapons of our warfare are not carnal...” (II Cor 10:4).

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“Because of Adam we lost the ability to speak words from God like this – to speak things into existence. Jesus restored this.

Galatians 4:21 – “Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law?”

“Paul is using an allegory to illustrate the futility of attempting to be saved by keeping the law. Verses 21 through 31 are this. In verse 25 the Jerusalem he speaks of is the physical Jerusalem but in verse 26 he speaks of the ‘Jerusalem above’ in other words the *New Jerusalem* of Revelation 21:2. The Jerusalem above is the mother of us all because it is the bride.

“The earth was divided by God into 71 divisions and God himself took Jacob (Israel) as his portion. (see Deut 32). Remember, the name ‘Abraham’ means father of **many** nations.

“There is no more temple in Jerusalem. It was destroyed in 70 A.D. Since the cross, we are the temple.

“In Rev 21:9, the New Jerusalem is described as the wife of the lamb. In verse 10 John is carried away ‘in the spirit’ to see the New Jerusalem.

“In Colossians 1:15 Paul describes Jesus as ‘the image of the invisible God.’ This is the Theophany – the Shekinah – the **visible** manifestation of the presence of God.

“Jesus said in John 6:63, ‘the words that I speak unto you, they are **spirit** and they are life.’

“Romans 10:17 says, ‘Faith comes by **hearing**.’ It is the present tense. It does not say, ‘faith comes by “having heard”’ Faith is like manna. You cannot keep it or it will spoil. You must gather it every day.

“According to Ephesians 1:20-22 and Eph 3:10-12, we are to make known the manifold wisdom of God to whom? To the principalities and powers in the heavenly places. Our words have much more power than we

realize. It was words that established everything and that is still the way it is now. The **name** of Jesus is powerful.” Pastor Phillip Adair was married to his wife, Linda in 1968 and began at Lee University in Cleveland, Tn. At the age of 20. He has pastored in Florida, Alabama and Pennsylvania, and has evangelized in Virginia, Alabama, and Tennessee. He moved to Georgia in 1984. He lost a son and was unsure whether he would continue but he has. He began in Georgia with a garage Bible study and went on to rent a church in Loganville. He started with the present body of believers in 2005 in a building owned by the Daughters of the American Revolution and was in the present church by July of 2006. The restoration of the church was complete by April of 2007. There is much more information including the amazing before-and-after pictures on the church website at shswinder.org. The church is planning a BBQ at a time and date to be announced. The service times are as follows: Sunday at 1000 and a men’s Thursday evening prayer meeting at 1930 (7pm). A women’s meeting is presently in the early stages on Tuesday morning headed by Ann Arnold.

This company-sized unit is comprised of about 100 believers and plans are being made to use the church building seven days a week. One example is a successful living seminar for young couples to learn about finances, cooking, checkbook balancing and spiritual things.

The address is 71 West Candler street, Winder and the church telephone number is (770)962-6277.

Apostle Birthday (from pg 1)

Mother Lewis’ actual birthday is 28 February but it was celebrated at MOVE OF GOD CHURCH at 24 W. Williams Street in Winder on 5 March 2011. The praise and worship was incredible and most of the more than one hundred people present were related to Mother Lewis. She has 75 great grand children and 12 great great grandchildren.

One of Pastor Doris Lewis’ grandsons, Warren Cousins, a church elder and co-pastor of Prosperity Outreach, was master of ceremonies.

In the beginning Apostle Doris Lewis, the honoree was escorted in by her grandson, Jeremiah Arnold. The opening prayer was done by another grandson, Walter Cleveland, pastor of Next Level Ministries (see front page). We were all welcomed by still another of her grandsons, Jaylon Arnold.

An entire choir was made up of Mother Lewis' grandchildren and great grandchildren and their music was spectacular. This was followed by the beautiful poem read by her great granddaughter Montecia Jackson.

The praise and worship and honoring of the 81-year-old apostle continued through dinner, which was excellent and catered by Peggy Arnold (678)219-0068 and set up by Toney Arnold. All programs were arranged by Bishop Jerry Arnold.

Mother Lewis, addressing everyone attending the celebration said, "Thank you for attending my 81st birthday celebration. Your presence here this evening has made this journey worthwhile. Live day by day to the fullest. You can only change the future, not the past, so live your life to the fullest. Remember, we only have one lifetime with a guardian angel always with us. I know who mine is. Do you know who yours is?"

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do or any kindness I can show to any fellow human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it; for I shall not pass this way again."

Victory Deliverance (from pg 1)

"When 'church folks' start something," Pastor Smith explained, "they tend not to finish it." Speaking of the work to unify all the churches being done by the Whole Body of Christ Alliance, he continued, "This is one thing we better finish. If the Mormons and the Jehovah's Witnesses can be out in force every weekend, so can we. We all need to be together on this." The pastor called our attention to I John 1:3 "...that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his son Jesus Christ."

And also I John 1:7 – "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we

have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his son cleanseth us from all sin."

Also Hebrews 10:24-25 – "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together..."

There were about 25 people present at the Tuesday Bible study, where Pastor Smith expressed his regret that he could not attend the March Servant's Fellowship due to the planned revival for that weekend. He announced that the "Spring Into Holy Ghost Revival" was scheduled for that Friday, Saturday and Sunday. He announced his intention to attend the April Fellowship scheduled for the 9th, however.

This reporter was in attendance on the first night of the revival – Friday the 11th and Victory Deliverance Center was packed to standing room only.

The Church actually has many of Pastor Smith's sermons on CD for only \$3.00. They are easily worth much more. The church can be contacted by calling (770)868-7416.

Revival at Sanctuary of Pentecost

By O. (Zell) Zellinger



Pastor J. Vander Etheridge of Sanctuary of Pentecost

The praise and worship was so intense and spirit-filled that this reporter soared under the wings of the Almighty with tears streaming. The praise team sang *Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, I am a friend of God, and Holiness*. They sang other wonderful songs as well.

There appeared to be about eighty people present at the revival as Pastor Etheridge stood up behind the pulpit. "Sometimes we know, and we don't

need to hear any more about it from God. All that to say, 'I just want to be real with God.' He is big enough to reach past our religion and reach our heart."

One young brother in the church, John Bottley III, gave a testimony: "I don't have a statue and I don't have to travel half way around the world to make a pilgrimage to some holy city, but I have a name, and that name is JESUS!"

As the music continued, 18 people came to the front to be anointed.

"We all want a miracle," said the pastor, "but we don't want to be the miracle."

The praise team played *I Just Can't Stop Praising His Name* as the offering was accepted. The atmosphere was filled with excitement, very energetic.

"We praise," explained the pastor, "until it becomes worship, and then he will hear it. When I need healing, I do this until I am healed." The pastor introduced the speaker, Pastor Robert Davis of Truth Tabernacle in Wheelersville, Ohio.

"The president of a major Christian University told his professors, 'always be kind to you're A and B students. They may return and be excellent professors. Always be kind to your C students. They are the ones to return and build you a multimillion-dollar building.'

"An atheist went to the ACLU to complain that there were no holidays for atheists. 'The Christians have Christmas and Easter, the Jews have Hanukah, the Muslims have Ramadan and the atheists have no holiday. The ACLU took it to court and the judge threw it out of court. The judge shared that, based on Psalm 53:1 ('The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God') Atheists did have a holiday – April 1st."

"You need the baptism of the Holy Spirit. God wants you to have it but he's not going to force it on you. John 14:12 says, "...he who believes in me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do..." In Acts chapter two we see that it was prayer that set off the day of Pentecost. When the Jews asked Peter, 'What can we do to get this blood off our hands?' He answered in Acts 2:38, '...Repent, and let each of you be

baptized in the **name of Jesus Christ** for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.' The check has already been made out to **you** and you **can** receive it. God wants you to have it. Ask him for the baptism in the Holy Spirit."

The speaker, Pastor Davis, reminded us of Jesus' words in Acts 1:8. "...You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you..."

He also reminded us of the story in Acts chapter 19 where some disciples in Ephesus that had been baptized had not even heard of the Holy Spirit. Paul baptized them again in the name of Jesus and they received the Holy Spirit when Paul laid hands on them.

"Don't let any preacher tell you that just because you got saved, you received the Holy Ghost. Revelation 3:20 says, 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with me.' You can answer the door or ignore the knock and keep living like you're living. The Lord is creating even as we speak and remember, you are the canvas."

Meeting Before the Meeting

By: Mateo Raza

We have all heard of and probably been part of the meeting before the prayer meeting, as well as the meeting after the meeting. On 12 Feb there was a meeting before the meeting. That is to say that a group of pastors and church leaders met to plan the first actual meeting. It was a meeting to plan the meeting – the meeting before the meeting.

This reporter had the privilege of being present for the meeting to plan the meeting. The experience was extraordinary – sitting around a table with so many preachers and teachers and listening to them speak. Among them was Pastor Jeff Carr of Cross of Christ Ministries; Scott Bagwell a deacon from Braselton Tabernacle of Praise; Pastor William Pirkle of Living Hope Christian Fellowship; Pastor Russell Page of Kingdom Realm Ministries; Pastor Betty Powell of Bread of Life Worship Center; Senior Pastor Charlie Powell of Bread

of Life; Pastor Allen Stevens of Living Hope; Pastor Alicia Brown of A Call to Worship; Michael Brown of A call to Worship and more.

It was Jeff Carr who said, "That part of you that has no experience in an area can go to the cross."

Charlie Powell spoke about actually applying the Word of God, as did Alicia Brown.

Allen Stevens held out the idea of starting prayer groups in people's homes. He called them "cells," a word some found a little distasteful. He said that they could expand to other houses.

Angela Freeman's ministry is to help install intercessory prayer groups in churches and that was discussed as well.

Jeff Carr asked everyone to read I Peter again.

Those present decided to make each monthly meeting fall on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 1800 (6pm) and to call the meetings "Servant's Fellowship." It was decided that the very first Servant's Fellowship should meet on 12 March at Living Hope Christian Fellowship in Hoschton.

Many things were discussed but the best thing about the meeting was that those present were all of one mind and ministered to one another.

Near the end of the meeting a man who was at the church completing some work for the church sat down with the rest of us to observe. Someone noticed him and commented that he looked like he wanted to say something. He was called on to do so. He seemed surprised that he was called upon but rose to the occasion. He told us that we were doing something that has been needed for a very long time and that it was a wonderful thing.

At the meeting after the meeting that was before the meeting a huge amount of networking and number exchanging was accomplished. All seemed to leave extremely glad they had come.

In fact, many who attended used almost those exact words.

This reporter was most certainly glad to have attended – glad to have been invited to attend. Another thing is certain as well: If the meeting before the meeting was the beginning of a trend, it is a good and long overdue godly trend.

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Updates and Booboos

Booboos

BFN humbly apologizes to **Bush Chapel AME Zion Church**. We received a call from Sister Anna Brothers that we had printed misinformation in the January issue. In the article entitled *Praying Sisters*, BFN reported that Sisters Lois Camp, the church historian and Ethel Lean Cooper had been at Bush Chapel longer than anyone. Sister Brothers informed us that this is not the case. We Thank Sister Brothers for correcting us and apologize once again.

BFN also apologizes to Pastor Michael Smith of **Victory Deliverance Center** and Pastor Willie Harris of **Christ Outreach Worship Center** for not featuring the photographs taken of both men of God. We also apologize to the readers for not publishing the pictures since, as of now, the readers do not know what they look like. It seems the photographer (me) forgot to replace the memory card in the camera before taking the shot – oops! My bad!

Updates

Victory Deliverance Center

Pastors Michael and Brenda Smith
Sunday svc: 1145
Tues Bible study: 1930 (730pm)
(678)868-7416

A Call to Worship

Pastor Alicia Brown
Sunday svc: 1000
Wed Bible study: 1900 (7pm)
2nd Sat 1000 women's ministr

4th Sat 1000 men's ministr

The church will soon move to the new building.

(706)983-9096

Kingdom Community Worship Center

Pastor Kenneth Cooper

Sun svc: 0900

Thur svc 1900 (7pm)

The Wed Bible study will resume pending sufficient requests

(678)963-5799

Living Hope Christian Fellowship

Pastor Allen Stevens

Sun sch:1000

Sun svc: 1100

Sun Bible study: 1800 (6pm)

Wed svc: 1900 (7pm)

Sat prayer:1000-1200

(706)654-2931

Love of God Mission

Pastor Linda Smith

Sun svc 1000,1100,1830 (630pm)

Thurs 1930 (730pm)

(770)867-8897

Braselton Tabernacle of Praise (BTOP)

Pastor Jon Jackson

Sun sch: 1000

Sun svc:1100

Wed svc: 1900 (7pm)

Prayer Night Sat: 1900

Romans Road to Recovery, the Christ-centered 12-step program – Tues: 1900

3rd Wed youth:1900

(678)8987066

Move of God Church

Pastor D.L. Lewis

Sun sch:1000

Sun midday svc: 1200

Fri teaching/stdy: 1945 (745pm)

(770)227-9128

Sanctuary of Pentecost

Pastor J Vander Etheridge

Sun Prayer: 1030

Sun wrshp/word:1100

Tues Prayer:1900 (7pm)

Tues wrshp/word: 1930

Thurs prayer: 1930

(770)519-5398

Bread of Life Worship Center

Pastors Charlie and Betty Powell

Sun wrshp: 1100

Wed on-line Bible study: 1900-2000 (7-8pm)—call (605)562-3000 acc

code: 179-644#

Wed at church possibly sometime in Mar or Apr

(678)863-5085

Kingdom Realm Church

Pastor Russell Page

Sun Teaching: 0945

Sun wshp: 1100

Sun eve: 1800 (6pm)-family night

Wed svc: 1900 (7pm)

(678)858-6111- church has moved across the parking lot

Faith Baptist Church

Pastor Matthew Calvert

Sun sch:1000

Sun svc:1100

Sun eve: 1800 (6pm)

Wed svc: 1930 (7pm)

(678)615-5772

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Love Your Neighbor as Yourself continued from February Issue

By: Mozelle Davis-weeks

Here I am again. I left off last month saying that we **should** hate bad things but that we are to hate those bad behaviors in others the same way we hate them in ourselves: being sorry that they have done such things, and hoping that they may be healed of such behavior.

I said that there is a test that we can run on ourselves to see how we are faring in this. Here it is.

Suppose we hear a story on the news about some filthy, horrible atrocities that happened. Then, we find out that the story was not completely true or that these things were not quite as bad as originally reported. Is our first feeling, "Thank God. Even **they** aren't quite that bad." Or do we have a feeling of disappointment or even want to cling to the original story for the pleasure of believing that our enemies **are** as bad as possible. It is

vital to our spiritual well-being that we be painfully honest with ourselves in this. Because, if the second scenario is the truth with us, we need to tap into fear – fear of the Living God, because this second scenario is the first step in a process that, if its not changed, will drag us straight into the lake of fire. You see, we are beginning to wish that dark is a little darker – that black is a little blacker (the bad kind of black) and later we'll want to see gray as black and, eventually, to see white itself as black. Finally, we will **insist** on the **most** negative situation. We will insist on seeing **everyone** and **everything** – God, our loved ones, even ourselves as bad. And we will not be **able** to stop doing it: We will be chained forever in a universe of pure hatred.

Sound far-fetched? It is not. I know people like this. Some of you probably do too. You can't even carry on a conversation with them without them spewing negative all over you. They speak of their wives, husbands and children like that – themselves and even God like that.

We are allowed to condemn an enemy's acts and hate those acts but remember, **we were created to live forever and it is those little marks on our insides** that will determine if our eternity is going to be in the smoking section or the nonsmoking – whether we are **at home** with the Lord or more at home in hell. That feeling of bitterness, of resentment, of wanting to **get back** at someone **must** be killed. It **must** be nailed to the cross.

Most of us can't just decide this minute that we will never feel it again. Instead, we need to be ready and every time it bobs its head up, day after day, year after year, however long it takes, and hit it on its ugly head – Pow! Its not impossible. It will become easier with time.

We need to feel about our enemy as we feel about ourselves in that way – that we wish she were not bad, hope she can be cured – to wish good to her. That is what the Bible means by "loving her.": wishing her good, not feeling fond of her or saying she is nice when she is not.

Of course, this means loving people who have nothing lovable about them. But does **your** self have anything

lovable about it? You love it because it is **your** self.

There is the kicker. Do you love yourself? God intends us to love all selves in the same way and for the same reason. It is so important that we see this that he has shown us what it looks like: we simply look at the way we do this with ourselves. He has shown it to us in ourselves to see how to do it with others. None of this works, however, if we do not love ourselves. Does this mean that, if we do not love ourselves, we cannot love others? I'm afraid that it does.

God loves **us** in this same way. I mean there is nothing in us that is lovable. God does not love me because I deserve it, because I am doing what he wants me to, because I love him, or because I am lovable. God loves me as an expression of who **He** is (see I John 4:8). He created us. There is nothing else in us to love – we creatures who can actually find hatred such a pleasure that, to give it up can be like trying to give up a drug addiction.

Love your neighbor as you love yourself!

**God bless you all,
Mozelle**

The First Servant's Fellowship

By: R. D. Hempton

On the 12th of February church leaders of the Whole Body of Christ Alliance met to plan the first monthly meeting of what they decided to call the SERVANT'S FELLOWSHIP. It was decided that the meeting would take place on the Second Saturday of each month.

On Saturday 12 March the meeting took place at Living Hope Christian fellowship in Hoschton.

Eleven ministries of the 22 that are presently part of the Whole Body of Christ Alliance (the number grows weekly) were represented at the meeting.

A whole lot of ministering went on there. It was a privilege to be present for it.

Russell Page of Kingdom Realm spoke about Helping Hands Ministry, which supplies people in need with

clothing, toys, dishes and other necessities as well as Heavenly Host Ministry, which exists to help the homebound get places they need to go, provides breaks for primary care givers and other things.

He also brought up for discussion a seven-day revival at seven different churches to begin on April 11th at Kingdom Realm and end on Sunday April 17th at Bread of Life.

Kenneth Cooper of Kingdom Community and Russell Page brought up for discussion a teaching and learning time on Saturday mornings for young preachers to begin preaching. This is to begin some time in April. It seems the plan is to have some of the veteran preachers present for gentle critique and for this to take place at Kingdom Realm and other locations.

Another idea discussed was the need for a coffee house ministry to take place in various churches once monthly on Friday or Saturday night. The need was born from the observation of one of those present who has been involved in the coffee house idea in the past and seen that people – even lost people will come to a coffee house who would never set foot in a church. "People get saved there." He mentioned. This is also set for some time in April.

Scott Bagwell of Braselton Tabernacle of Praise spoke about a ministry already in place there called Roman's Road to Recovery on Tuesday nights at 1900 (7pm). It is a 12-step program for recovery which, unlike modern-day A.A. meetings, discussion of Christ is encouraged.

The Reverend Doctor B. Jamila Edmunds, a Christian Counselor, discussed Corbree U. C, a ministry for girls 8 to 18 at risk for Abuse. She shared that she dealt in her ministry with this as well as with those dealing with grief.

Walter Cleveland of Next Level discussed the need for serious youth outreach and Charlie Powell of Bread of Life talked about how to apply the Bible.

Before the meeting was adjourned it was decided that the Servant's Fellowship on 9 April would be at Next Level in Statham, at Kingdom Community on 14 May and at Kingdom Realm 11 June all at 1800.