

# WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE



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## FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Spring has arrived and Easter is the first Sunday of this month, What a nice way to start. We have begun our Prayer Triads and the study of Sharon Watkins book "Whole". Camp applications are out and have to be turned in by April 15, the dreaded date for taxes. We have had our first Fellowship Dinner in some time and look forward to the next one. It seems that the hibernation from a cold winter is passing and life is returning.

We rise not to busyness but to love. Jesus' death and resurrection were not about paying a debt but rather an act of love coming to the rescue. Love that restores us to God's grace and forgiveness and love that leads us to the place of His brothers and sisters in the eyes of the Father of all. Now we are to respond in kind. Love our neighbor as we should love ourselves. Act toward each other in ways that demonstrate our thankfulness and love toward God. We do this by living as Jesus did, by setting aside our personal desires for comfort and success. We build relationships with those most in need. We restore relationships with those we have wounded. We lift up the fallen and walk with those we who will journey with us, a journey from the "Me-Ness" and the focus on "my" stuff, to the Fellowship of everyone.

Imagine a Fellowship Dinner where there is always a place available at the table and always enough to eat, like feeding 5000 men, not counting women and children. Imagine a world where we work together with our neighbors about differences rather than trying to sue each other for material things.

This sounds so fantastic that it couldn't be real. But we can hear stories of this being attempted in the wake of the first Easter. Concern of others replaced the concerns of self. Maybe it

didn't last very long, maybe it can never really happen again, but Jesus dared us to live in the Kingdom of God now, in this world.

As Christians, shouldn't we try again?

Shalom, *Darrell*

## APRIL ELDERS & DEACONS

Listed below are the Elders and Deacons scheduled to serve in April: Elders are: John Glover and David Von Almen. The Deacons are: Andrea Hebenstreit, Savanna Gowin, Jerri Bosarge and Chris Rogers.

## APRIL SERMONS & SCRIPTURE



## DISCIPLE WOMEN GRACE

The Grace Group met March 19<sup>th</sup> at the church with 13 ladies present.

Our playground project is starting to progress more quickly. The old equipment in the toddler

area has been removed (and we hope picked up soon) and we have most of the new items ready to be installed. We plan to have that accomplished by Easter. Plans are ongoing for the older children's area. We will have wood to build an area for them that will include a small climbing wall. We are including one and possibly two porch type swings for the adults. Denny & Dawn McReynolds are donating a nice metal & wood picnic table. If you would like to contribute to this project, please make the check to: DW – Grace Group and give it to Sharon-Kay Duncan. Many thanks to all of you who have donated already. We have been able to expand this project because of your generosity.

We still have cookbooks available for \$15.00. They make nice gifts.

Spring Conference for our area will be April 25<sup>th</sup> at Eastman Christian Church.

Our annual yard sale will be Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 8:00-2:00. Please save your "treasurers" as you clean out for Spring. You can bring them Easter Sunday and put them in back of the Fellowship Hall. We will also be at the church Monday through Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Our local church Spring Women's Retreat will be May 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>. The cost will be \$75.00. There will be more details announced soon.

Rita Youngblood presented our program/worship titled, "Four Things God Wants You to Remember When Life is Hard."

Our next meeting will be April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

## **FAMILY GATHERING AT THE TABLE**

Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> saw a new beginning on our Church Family Dinners. There were 52 Church Family members gathered at the table together, and as usual the food was great. The Service and Fellowship Committee was extremely happy with the turnout and look forward to many more dinners to come. Thank you all for coming out to share in this wonderful event in the life of our Church. Our next dinner

gathering will be on Sunday, April 19, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

## **CARING SOLUTIONS**

We raised over \$45.00 for Caring Solutions. That will pay two women to receive counseling and a pregnancy test. The need for counseling with a Christian outlook is great in the middle GA area. Too many women think that abortion is their only choice. Once they discover that there are many organizations that will help them with informed decisions, many will change their minds. If you would like to support this wonderful organization in the future, you can write a check and give it to Angela Hebenstreit or mail it directly to ***Caring Solutions, 112 Pierce Ave., Macon, GA 31204.*** Thanks again for your continued support.

## **LUNCH BUNCH NEWS**

The Lunch Bunch met on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Those attending were Curtis and Nadine Scaggs and Carl Shaw. They meet on the second Wednesday of each month. Their next get together will be held at the Golden Corral on April 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Come join us!

## **KITCHEN SUPPLIES**

- Coffee
- Large trash bags
- 13 gallon kitchen garbage bags
- Divided oblong foam plates
- Paper towels
- Bathroom tissue
- Kleenex
- Dish Soap
- Spray kitchen cleaners

## **SAFE HOUSE SUPPLIES**

- Cleaning Supplies
- Dish Detergent
- Laundry Detergent
- Fabric Softener
- Paper Towels
- Kleenex
- Bathroom Tissue
- Furniture Spray

# April 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <b>Maundy Thursday</b> 2 <b>Service 7:00 pm</b> in Fellowship Hall <i>Barbara Hicks</i> <i>Duncan's Ann.</i>	3	4 <i>Cassie Bell</i>
5 <b>Easter Egg Hunt</b> 9:30 <i>Nicole Crofutt</i>	6 <b>Board Mtg. 7:00</b>	7 8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel American Heritage Girls 4:30-5-30 Bible Study 7:00	8 <b>Lunch Bunch</b> 1:00	9 <b>Radio Club</b> Meeting 7:00 <i>Shawn Bell</i>	10	11 <b>DW Grace Yard</b> Sale 8:00-2:00
12 <b>Cabinet Meeting</b> After Church "Whole" reading group 7:00 p.m.	13	14 Cracker Barrel American Heritage Girls 4:30-5-30 Bible Study 7:00 The Model Club	15 <i>Keith &amp; Glenda</i> <i>Ewert</i>	16 <b>DW Grace Mtg.</b> 7:00	17 <i>Mike Robertson</i>	18 <i>Dawn McReynolds</i>
19 <b>Fellowship Dinner</b> 6:00 p.m. <i>Dave &amp; Pam</i> <i>Palmer</i>	20 <i>Glenda Ewert</i> <i>Ted &amp; Laurie Cook</i>	21 8:00 a.m. Cracker Barrel American Heritage Girls 4:30-5-30 Bible Study 7:00	22 <i>Ann Glover</i>	23 <b>Bariatric Group</b> Meeting 7:00 p.m.	24	25 <b>Spring Conference</b> Eastman. GA
26 <b>Elder's Meeting</b> 9:30 a.m.	27	28 Cracker Barrel American Heritage Girls 4:30-5-30 Bible Study 7:00 Tne Model Club	29 <b>Prayer Shawl</b> Meeting 7:00 <i>Juanita Von Almen</i>	30		

## Rules from God

1. Wake Up! Decide to have a good day. "Today is the day the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it". -----Psalms 118:24
2. Dress Up! The best way to dress up is to put on a smile. A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks. "The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at outward appearance; but the Lord looks at the heart."----1 Samuel 16:7
3. Shut Up! Say nice things and learn to listen. God gave us two ears and one mouth, so He must have meant for us to do twice as much listening as talking. "He who guards his lips guards his soul."----Proverbs 13:3
4. Stand Up! For what you believe in. Stand for something or you will fall for anything. "Let us not be weary in doing good; for at the proper time, we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good."----Galatians 6:9-10
5. Look Up! To the Lord. "I can do everything through Christ who strengthens me." ----Philippians 4:13
6. Reach Up! For something higher. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not unto your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge Him, and He will direct your path."----Proverbs 3:5-6
7. Lift Up! Your Prayers. "Do not worry about anything; instead PRAY ABOUT EVERYTHING."---Philippians 4:6

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