

FROM THE PASTOR...

God's creation was a masterpiece—perfectly shaped by His creative power. Yet, through mankind's God-given freedom, creation was corrupted and destroyed by flood. Confusion set in as human beings strived to be gods. And so, God began corrective action as He came in the form of Man in order to go to the Cross. It was planned before time began. His death, burial and resurrection mark the fulfillment of prophecy and the beginning of an era we call the "Church Age." And it is at the end of this age that we will witness the completion of God's Creation as He creates a "New Heaven and a New Earth" (Revelation 21:1). Hebrews 9:28 says, "Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation." History is His Story—an incredibly beautiful story of creative power, redemption, restoration and reconciliation.

Imagine! ⁴"He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, ⁵having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, ⁶to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. ⁷In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace ⁸which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, ⁹having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, ¹⁰that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him. ¹¹In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, ¹²that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory" (Ephesians 1).

Hallelujah!

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BACK TO THE BEGINNING

Proclaiming the Wonder of Creation's Creator
Creation is where God's story begins and ends. Genesis 1:1 says, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." Toward the very end of the Bible, John "saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away." (Revelation 21:1) Scripture pays a great deal of attention to the physical universe in which humanity finds itself. God is concerned with creation and so should we! Beginning Sunday, September 30 at 10:45 am, we begin an exploration of God's creative work in human history. Don't miss it!

Evidence for the Evolutionist

Evidence for God's Existence
September 30 at 10:45 a.m.

Creation's Creator

Intelligent Designer Revealed
October 7 at 10:45 a.m.

The Final Authority

Reason That Follows Faith
October 14 at 10:45 a.m.

Problems in Creation

Evil and Suffering in God's Creation
October 21 at 10:45 a.m.

A Boatload of Beasts

The Truth About Noah's Flood
October 28 at 10:45 a.m.

The Tower of Confusion

When Man Tries to Be God
November 4 at 10:45 a.m.

From Creation to Calvary

The Redemption of Creation
November 11 at 10:45 a.m.

Creation's Completion

A New Heaven & a New Earth
November 18 at 10:45 a.m.

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

Pastor's Prayer Partners	9:00 A.M.
Sunday School Hour	9:30 A.M.
Choir Practice	10:30 A.M.
Morning Worship	10:45 A.M.
Evening Worship	6:00 P.M.

EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUESDAY

Men's Bible Study	6:00 P.M.
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EVERY 4TH TUESDAY

Senior Luncheon	12:00 P.M.
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WEDNESDAY

Family Supper (Fellowship Hall)	6:00 P.M.
Children's Choir Practice (Annex)	6:30 P.M.
Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	7:00 P.M.
Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	7:00 P.M.
Student Life Meeting (Youth Room)	7:00 P.M.
Bible Skills for Kids (Annex)	7:00 P.M.

Senior Luncheon

Tuesday, October 23 at 12:00 PM

Laymon and Avis Wallace bring the Hinds Community College Dulcimer Band for this monthly gathering in the Fellowship Hall of Victory Church. Everyone is invited to attend this potluck event.

KID'S KORNER

Fall Festival Announced

Wednesday, October 31

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Get your "church-friendly" costume ready! This annual event is scheduled on a Wednesday as all other activity will be postponed until the following week. A great opportunity for fellowship and outreach, this year's festival includes a "Trick or Trunk" competition. The vehicle with the best decorations wins! To participate in the "Trick or Trunk" for kids, please contact Brandy Fisher (291-1505). Games, prizes, and food round out the event. Don't miss it!

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### Candy & Toys Needed for Fall Festival

Candy & toy donations are needed for the Fall Festival scheduled for October 31st. To donate, please contact Pamela Matthews.

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MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every First & Third Tuesday

at 6:30 p.m.

The Tuesday Men's Bible Study group has concluded its study of the Book of Romans and begins a new study in 1st & 2nd Peter this October. This men's group meets every 1st & 3rd Tuesday evening at 6:30. All men are invited to attend! See Dr. Carlos Corley for details (845-2708).

SHOWERS AHEAD...

Sundays, October 7 & 14 at 4 p.m.

A baby shower and a wedding shower are scheduled as we celebrate God's blessings in the lives of His people!

Baby Shower for Abbie Childers

October 7th at 4:00 p.m.

Wedding Shower for Carrie Goldbold

October 14th at 4:00 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD

Building Fund Offering

Sunday, November 11

Start saving your pennies now! The entire offering on Sunday, November 11 will be dedicated to paying off our Worship Center! Be much in prayer for this opportunity for Victory Church.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Report for September 30, 2007

Budget YTD	\$162,836.00
General Income YTD	188,490.45
Building Fund Report	
Building Fund balance current	\$ 95,854.00
Capital Campaign Total Pledges	104,228.00
Rec'd through week 156 of 156	109,263.51
Weekly "On Pace" Percent	105%
Average Attendance:	
Sunday School:	134
Sunday Worship:	201
Sunday Evening	62
Wednesday Night	110

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