



FROM THE PASTOR...

God became one of us! "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated, "God with us" (Matthew 1:23). And while God became a Man, Heaven testified of His eternal glory. It is a glory we can accept while hoping in the future realization of His full glory. Wow! Humanity, Holiness & Hope!

Don't miss the wonderful events this month as every age enjoys God's best blessings in this most wonderful time! Merry Christmas.

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HUMANITY, HOLINESS & HOPE!

A Three Part Series about the God of Christmas
Sunday mornings at Victory Church



DUMPSTER DIVING GOD

(Matthew 1:23; Luke 2:6-7)

Sunday, December 14 at 10:45 a.m.

GLOWING IN HIS GLORY

(Luke 2:13-30)

Sunday, December 21 at 10:45 a.m.

A GLIMPSE OF FUTURE GLORY

(Luke 2:8-13)

Sunday, December 28 at 10:45 a.m.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS!

As we celebrate the most important birth in human history, let's make the most of every opportunity God has given to celebrate the "Reason for the Season"!



"ALL BOW DOWN" - A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION PRESENTED BY THE VICTORY CHOIR

Sunday, December 7 at 10:45 a.m.

As we begin the Christmas season with our church family, what better way to focus our hearts and minds on the Reason for the season than to bow down to worship the Prince of Peace? Our choir is excited to sing "All Bow Down" on December 7 at 10:45 a.m. Don't miss this meaningful time of worship among our faith-community!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PROGRAM

Sunday, December 14 at 6 p.m.

Approximately thirty of our children have been working hard preparing for this meaningful message through song and spoken word. A reception & cake auction will follow. Don't miss it!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Wednesday, December 24 at 7 p.m.

Carols, Candlelight & Communion make this annual worship service a beautiful time for everyone! What better way to celebrate with those you love? Invite your family & friends to a meaningful opportunity on Christmas Eve!

STUDENT LIFE

Led by Pastor Michael Matthews

LIVE LOVE CONFERENCE

January 30-31 in Hattiesburg

Jesus said they would know us by our love. But, do they? Come be inspired by essential truths, motivated by unbridled worship, challenged by God's Word, and unified in the body of Christ. Join Student Life on January 30-31 in Hattiesburg as we rediscover and reawaken to what it means to LIVE LOVE. All students 6th - 12th grade are invited for a cost of only \$39 per student. To sponsor a student, see Pastor Michael. On the web: www.studentlife.com.

ROCK-A-THON

December 31 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The Victory Youth Puppet Ministry is having a Rock-A-Thon and will be rocking all night long to raise funds for this new ministry. Doors are opening to share the gospel in this unique way. Contact a student to become a sponsor today! For more information or to loan a rocking chair, see Mrs. Kim Haggerty or Pastor Michael.

YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 21 at 6 p.m.

The fellowship hall will come ALIVE as Jr. High and High School students enjoy a great evening of food and fun to celebrate the birth of our savior. Parents are welcome.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA'S

Sunday, December 14 at 10:45 a.m.

Christmas Poinsettia's are a tradition during Christmas each year at Victory Church. The sanctuary will be filled with these beautiful plants on Sunday, December 14 reminding us of the Star that led the Wise Men to the Manger. If you would like to reserve a plant in honor or in memory of a loved one, you may do so in the church bulletin with a \$10 donation. An insert with the list of those honored will be included in the bulletin for that day.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Sue Rutledge
602 Brookfield Place
Florence, MS 39073
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Scott & Teresa Slay
(Taylor & Melinda)
118 Oakdale
Florence, MS 39073
601-845-0522

Horace & Cathy Wilson
208 Greensview Dr.
Brandon, MS 39047
601-919-1494

Kid's Korner

FLORENCE CHRISTMAS PARADE

Saturday, December 13 at 7 p.m.

A great tradition for Christmas and children! Everyone participating needs to meet at the Family Life Building at 4:30 for departure for the Florence Christmas Parade. Judging begins at 5 p.m. For more information, please contact Mrs. Kim Haggerty (601-845-1586).

"ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS"

Children's Musical Sunday, December 14 at 6 p.m.

The Children of Victory lead us a musical drama that puts gift-giving in perspective December 14 at 6 p.m. A reception is scheduled immediately following the service to honor the children who have worked diligently preparing for this beautiful service. Everyone is invited to bring finger foods for the reception.

CAKE AUCTION

*Sunday, December 14 at 6:45 p.m.
following Christmas Program*

Everyone is invited to join the fun for this annual fundraising event for the Children's Ministry of Victory Church. Bring your favorite dessert item as we auction off all entries. Special childcare will be provided by Ms. Donna Rice. Don't miss the fun and an opportunity to support our children!



CHRISTMAS GATHERINGS

CRUSADERS HOST YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

Saturday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Building

Everyone should bring one simple gift (limit \$5) per person (including children old enough to play) and potluck food for this annual event. Bring your gift(s) and your favorite dish(es). Secret Santa, good food & fun make this a great opportunity for all young adults and their families!

SENIOR LUNCHEON

Tuesday, December 9 at Noon

A special Christmas celebration is planned as we gather to enjoy the normal potluck feast and beautiful fellowship. The staple game of "Secret Santa" is also planned. Everyone should bring one gift per person. Each gift should not cost more than \$5. Merry Christmas!

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Sunday, December 7 at 6 p.m.

A special conference is called as the church will approve a new budget and elect staff for the New Year! Please be in prayer as we approach this important date.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

thru Sunday, November 30, 2008

Budget YTD \$244,276.00

General Income YTD 259,743.26

Building Fund Report:

Building Fund balance current \$74,932.64

Average Attendance:

Sunday Morning Worship: 133

Sunday School: 183

Friendship Groups: 73

Wednesday Evening 118

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.

EVERY 4TH TUESDAY

Senior Luncheon 12:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Family Supper (Fellowship Hall) 6:00 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.

Children's Choir Rehearsals (Annex) 7:00 P.M.

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