



WELCOME VISITORS

The presence of Jesus in the gathering of His people is the sweetest blessing we enjoy when we meet.
We pray that you will find peace, comfort, and power for living today.

A visitor's card is provided in the book rack, to give us a record of your visit.

SUNDAY

Bible Study	10:00 AM
Worship	11:00 AM
Evening	6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	6:30 PM
Fellowship Meal	12:30 PM
(Every 1 st Sunday)	
Men's Meeting	5:00 PM
(Last Sunday of every month)	

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Morning Worship	57
Evening Worship	12
Wednesday	14
Contribution	1167.00

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

MESSENGER FOR CHRIST



BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Many Invited, Few Chosen
By David A. Sargent

Michaele and Tareq Salahi made headlines recently when they attended a state dinner on the White House South Lawn in honor of the prime minister of India. According to Secret Service Direction Mark Sullivan, the Salahis should have been prohibited from entering the dinner that was given by President Barack Obama. Why? Their names were not on the guest list!

Although the Salahis insist they were invited, White House officials state they were not. The incident is under investigation.

Keith Wishum recently related these news items to a much more important "DINNER"... Jesus compared God's kingdom to a wedding party thrown by a king for his son (see Matthew 22:1-14). Jesus shocked people accustomed to the idea that only the chosen could enter God's kingdom by suggesting that God has invited EVERYONE to sit at His table. "Go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find," were the instructions from the king (22:9).

Yet, even in this story, there are requirements. When the king spotted a guest not properly dressed, he asked, "Friend, how did you get in here without wedding clothes?" (22:12).

The guest had no explanation, implying that garments were available. So, the king ordered, "Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth" (22:13).

Apparently, it matters to God that we be appropriately attired to be His guest... *

So, how can WE enter the Kingdom of God and sit at His table? What is the proper attire to be admitted to such a grand, eternal occasion?

We must be CLOTHED WITH CHRIST and added to the official "guest" list –THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE (Revelation 20:12, 15).

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“...The Churches of Christ salute you.” Romans 16:16

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Our sins disqualify us from entering the kingdom (cf. 1 Corinthians 6:9-10).

But Jesus died on the cross to pay the price for our sins (Ephesians 1:7). When we place our faith in Him (Acts 16:30-31), turn from our sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are baptized into Christ (Acts 2:38; Galatians 3:27), then our sins are washed away by His blood, we are “clothed with Christ” (Galatians 3:27), and our names are added to the Lamb’s Book of Life (Philippians 4:3). Then we must continue to follow Christ faithfully lest our names be “blotted out” of the Book of Life (Revelation 3:5).

Keith Wishum has correctly stated: “God has invited ALL to his table. He has even provided the proper clothing. It’s up to us to put on Christ so we may be qualified to enjoy the banquet.” For Jesus Himself said, “Many are invited, but few are chosen” (Matthew 22:14).

Won’t YOU accept His invitation and be clothed with Christ?

Via Bulletin Gold

What are the Benefits of Worship?

It: Warms our hearts.
 Opens our eyes.
 Raises our hopes.
 Satisfies our longings.
 Heals our hearts.
 Inspires our lives.
 Pleases our God.

GOD'S PLAN FOR MAN'S SALVATION

The Gospel must be **HEARD**
 Romans 10:17, John 8:32
 The Gospel must be **BELIEVED**
 John 8:24, Mark 16:16
 Sins Must be **REPENTED** of
 Luke 13:3, 5 - Acts 2:38
 Christ must be **CONFESSED**
 Matt. 10:32-33, Romans 10:10
 There must **BAPTISM** (immersion)
 For Remission of Sins
 Acts 2:38, 1 Peter 3:21
 There Must be **CHRISTIAN**
GROWTH and **FAITHFULNESS**
 1 Peter 2:2, Revelation 2:10, 2 Peter 3:18

The Bible study topic for Wednesday
 night:
**Worshiping the Lord
 In the Beauty of Holiness**

Bible study starts at 6:30 PM.



Wednesday night’s meal will be prepared
 by John & Belinda Lloyd.

Opportunities to Serve

Welcome	Today	04/18/10
Song Leader	Willie Gore	Leslie Bell
Opening Prayer	Scott Bowling	John Bowling
Communion	Albert Sturdivant	Willie Gore
	*John Lloyd	*Aaron Phillips
Scripture Reading	Dwight Hewett	Taylor Bowling
Speaker	Bill Bartlow	Spud Spencer
Closing Prayer	Leslie Bell	John Lloyd
Nursery	Rick Massey	Rick Massey
Evening	John Bowling	Scott Bowling
	Gloria Coldwell	Barbara Bartlow
	John Bowling	John Lloyd

Please remember to pray for the sick, lonely, and especially anyone outside Christ.

Health
 Dwight Hewett
 Elmoe Adams
 Elaine Alford



General
 Mine accident victims in West VA

Traveling
 John Lloyd
 Gore Family
 Harold Garner, Sr

The complete prayer list is on the bulletin board.



The ladies bible study will be held in the fellowship room on Tuesday, April 13, at 10:00 am. Please join us if you can.

The 21st Annual Eastern North Carolina Men’s Retreat will be held April 23-24, 2010, at Camp Caroline, Arapahoe, N. C. The theme this year is “Walking With God” (1 Samuel). The registration forms are on the bulletin board.

