



# The Beacon



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Mission Statement: "To glorify God and to be the Body of Christ in this Community"

## Valentine Banquet February 8, 2012

Program:  
Savannah River Stringband

Youth will be serving.

A special offering will be collected for the youth mission trip during the event.

### Menu:

Chicken Cordon Bleu  
Broccoli & Cauliflower  
Squash Casserole  
Tossed Salad  
Strawberry Cake

(If you are not on the regular Wednesday Night list, please call the church office to make your reservation by Monday, February 6.)

### Church wide Mission Project:

We are collecting school supplies for Monte Sano Elementary through the month of February.



Please place items in the basket in the Welcome Center

## Word from the Pastor

### YOUR COMFORT Zone

Each of us has a comfort zone which applies to all our endeavors in life, including the church. It is the area where we feel satisfied and complacent. We believe that every Christian should be better but better cannot be achieved when we limit ourselves to the satisfaction of our comfort zone. Unless we have the intention to be better, achievement cannot be accomplished, goals cannot be grasped, and our witness cannot withstand the temptation not to go forth.

The tragedy of that limitation is that unity is undone, ministries will be average, opportunities to expand the Kingdom of God will be omitted and people will be lost. Jesus said, in the Living Bible translation, "Anyone who wants to follow me must put aside his own desires and conveniences, and carry his cross with him everyday and keep close to me." Living in this way is costly but well worth the pain and effort. Everyday we must go beyond our comfort zones, imitating Jesus and following His teachings. This is often expressed in our study of scripture, we allow our comfort zone to dictate our behavior and only apply its teachings to certain areas of our lives. Our comfort zone lets us think church attendance is optional, witnessing is for others, and Christian stewardship is based on whims. Jesus want us to go beyond our comfort zone to insure that we are professing Christians, not professional Christians.

Comfort can cancel progress, cause resistance to change, and influence us to think we have no need to get better. Another aspect of our comfort zone is that it is known by limited and misplaced commitment. It causes us to put restraints on our lives, we will only go so far in loving, serving, forgiving, ministering, and supporting. In reaching beyond our comfort zone, we celebrate worship and growth in service to our Lord.

*Kenneth Word*

## Prayer List

### Members with Health Concerns

Cliff Blackwell      Aurelia Edwards      Janelle Klozer  
Bill Usry

Information as of 01/23/2012  
Monday - Friday updates on Information Line @733-3029.

### Sympathy:

to the family of Henry Alton Pritchard who passed away, January 3, 2012  
to Tommy & Jean Holloway in the death of Tommy's mother, Doris R. Holloway, who passed away, January 22.

Associate Pastor

Outreach

Should Sunday School Continue?

There are many churches that have done away with Sunday School.

There are a multitude of ways churches shepherd and disciple their congregations. However, I believe there is still a place for Sunday School in the 21st century church. Although Sunday School is not the only way to plug people into a small group community, I still think it can be a very effective way. We recently held a training for all of our members involved in Sunday School. We had a great discussion on the purpose of Sunday School and about the role of Sunday School in shepherding and discipling the people in our church. We also discussed at length how to connect new people into our Sunday School classes. I am very encouraged by the eagerness of our Sunday School classes to reach out to both members and visitors! If you are currently not involved in a Sunday School class I want to strongly encourage you to join us this Sunday at 9:45am. Being part of a small group is the main way you will become part of our church community. It is the main way to build relationships, minister to others and be ministered to. The Hill Baptist Church will continue to lean heavily on its Sunday School classes to shepherd and disciple its members. Will you consider joining a class? Will you consider inviting someone to join the class that you are in? Let us all trust God together to use Sunday School to make disciples who make disciples of Jesus Christ in our city!

*Ron Jones*

## What's Cookin' for Wednesday Night

### February 1

Soup for the Day  
Beef Pot Roast  
Rice & Gravy  
Butter Beans, Tossed Salad  
Rolls, Chocolate Pie  
Tea, Coffee, Lemonade

### February 8

*Valentine Banquet*  
Chicken Cordon Bleu  
Broccoli & Cauliflower  
Squash Casserole  
Tossed Salad, Strawberry Cake  
Tea, Coffee, Lemonade

### February 15

Spaghetti w/Meat  
Garlic Bread,  
Tossed Salad  
Rolls, Ice Cream & Cookies  
Tea, Coffee, Lemonade

### February 22

Soup for the Day  
Fried Chicken  
Green Beans, Potato Salad  
Small Croissants, Coconut Cake  
Tea, Coffee, Lemonade

### February 29

Soup for the Day,  
Pork Loin, Turnip Greens, Baked Potato  
Cornbread, Pecan Pie  
Tea, Coffee, Lemonade

## Senior Adult Happenings

Here's what we have coming up in the next few weeks!

Thursday, February 2nd, we will be meeting at the church for our ministry day activity. We'll make cookies again and this time they'll be for the Student Activities Office at Augusta State. Join us in the Social Hall at 10:00 a.m.

On Friday, February 20th, we are going to the Abbeville Grand Opera House for their production of Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Jersey Lily. Tickets are \$18.00 and we'll also be eating dinner.

The Macon Cherry Blossom Festival is the week of March 16-25th and we've already got a good group signed up for this trip. This will be a day trip and we will choose which day to go soon.

We have had several already sign up for these trips but there is still room for you! Call me at the office and I'll get your name on the list. Don't wait too long. We'll need to order our tickets for Abbeville soon!

Don't forget about our Senior Adult Summer Mission Trip to Billerica, MA. Those dates again will be July 21-29. If you haven't signed up for this trip yet please give me a call.

*Bob Walker*

## Fellowship Club

February 21

Program:

Bill Kirby

Online News Director, Augusta Chronicle

Menu:

Pork Chop, Mashed Potatoes,  
Small Green Peas/Pearl Onions,  
Cornbread, Apple Pie w/ice cream

If you are 55 or older you are eligible to join the Fellowship Club.



You may not be keeping up with the current Oscar race, but this year's competition for Best Picture is fascinating. As of now, a small French film called "The Artist" is the front-runner in the race. What makes this interesting is that "The Artist" is not only a black and white film, but a silent film to boot!

Many people flat-out refuse to watch black and white movies, much less silent films. They see black and white as an outdated style. That's a shame. Many black and white films are some of the most beautiful ever put to print. Black and white is pure - there is nothing added to it. The idea of Black and White is the inspiration for our latest series of discussions with The Hill Youth. We're looking at some Black and White aspects of God - undeniable truths about Him. For when we are affirmed in the Black and White truths of God, we can be more confident as we go through life unraveling the mysteries. Keep up with our discussion at our blog [thehillyouth.wordpress.com](http://thehillyouth.wordpress.com) and on our Facebook page.

D-NOW (MARCH 2-4): Be sure to get your \$50 payment in for D-NOW by February 15th. You don't want to miss out on this incredible weekend. We'll be studying the idea of Redemption as we spend the weekend playing another round of Survivor! Check out our Facebook page for all the details.

SUPER BOWL PARTY (FEBRUARY 5): Join us at Alex Doriot's house at 6 PM for fun, food, football, and fellowship as we watch the Big Game! See Alex for details and directions.

*Alex Doriot*

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**On Call**  
**Minister on Call**

Dr. Ken Word

If you cannot reach the minister on call,  
please call the deacons of the week.

**Deacons on Call**

**January 29 - February 4**

Johnny Stanfield  
Jimmy Mills

**February 5 - 11**

Fred Gunter  
Cal Williams

**February 12-18**

Jim Youngblood  
Dean Thompson

**February 19-25**

Ed Stalaker  
George Heath

**February 26 - March 3**

Steve Mullins  
Harold Baker

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**Henry "Alton" Pritchard**

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& Theresa Parker

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**Thanks to all those who helped with the Christmas Decorations**

Frances Koger

**SONS OF JUBAL CONCERT TOUR**

Reverend Bob Walker will be participating in the Sons of Jubal concert tour of China and North Korea in April of 2012.

Envelopes are available for your donation in the church office.

