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*Finally...*  
Some  
**Good News**

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**Gospel Meeting  
with David Lipe**     **MARCH 9-12**

# Finally... <sup>Some</sup> Good News

## Sunday, March 9

- 9:00 a.m. **God's Challenge to Us**
- 10:00 a.m. **Will All Good People Be Saved?**
- 11:45 a.m. Potluck Dinner-on-the-Grounds (All Cornerstone Groups have setup & cleanup.)
- 12:45 p.m. **Man-Made Salvation Won't Save!**

## Monday, March 10

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **"In the Beginning Was...THE WORD" (Part 1)**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. Cornerstone Groups 1-2 has setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **The Universal Need for Salvation**

## Tuesday, March 11

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **"In the Beginning Was...THE WORD" (Part 2)**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. Cornerstone Groups 3-4 has setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **New Testament Baptism & Salvation**

## Wednesday, March 12

- 12-1:00 p.m. Lunch & Lesson: **"In the Beginning Was...THE WORD" (Part 3)**
- 6:00 p.m. Potluck Dinner (All invited. All Cornerstone Groups have setup & cleanup.)
- 7:00 p.m. **Saved By the Grace of God**



## ABOUT OUR SPEAKER: David Lipe

**David Lipe** has been preaching the gospel since 1967. He holds a number of gospel meetings each year, gives lectures and conducts seminars on a variety of topics. He has participated in several public debates and written for numerous publications. Currently, David is the director of the Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies in Knoxville, TN. David and his wife, Linda, have three daughters and five grandchildren.



By Dan Jenkins

## Coming to Every Service of the Gospel Meeting

The gospel meeting with David Lipe begins this Sunday, and it seems so appropriate to emphasize the importance of every member being present for every service. This has nothing to do with my personal opinion about this, but there are spiritual reasons for why this should happen. Obviously, there are those who, because of physical reasons beyond their control (work, sickness, transportation problems, etc.), could not come, but the following reasons apply to the rest of us. Look at the spiritual reasons for this.

**I am coming to every service because Jesus will be present.** There is no greater reason than this. The Lord said, "If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also" (John 12:26). Every Christian should be described in this verse, for every Christian should be one who serves Him. Every Christian should be one who follows Him. Now Jesus says that those who serve Him and follow Him will be where He is. It is folly to think that the Lord will be absent from any service of the meeting. Where do you think His servants and followers should be?

**I am coming to every service because the lost will be there, and the gospel will be preached to them.** There is no doubt that the church has worked diligently to invite others to

come, and past experience shows that they will come. There is no doubt that David Lipe will preach the gospel clearly to them. There is also no doubt that my presence will contribute to the impact the services will have on them. I want to be part of the salvation of the lost in Palm Beach County. My absence reveals if I am seriously concerned about those in sin.

**I am coming to every service because the FAMILY needs me to be present.** My brothers and my sisters have prayed and invited others to come with the expectation that the Lord's family will be present to welcome those friends who will come. My absence will not only send a silent message to those who come, but it will discourage those who have finally made headway in getting others to come. Think about it. My physical presence or absence reveals how much I actually enjoy being with my FAMILY.

**I am coming to every service because I hunger and thirst after righteousness.** I have not arrived at the place in my life where my righteousness is complete. I know I need to be fed from the Lord and drink from the fountain of life. I know that preaching has changed my life and fed me in the past, and that it will feed me now.

**I am coming to every service because there is no place I would rather be.** Think about this! What possible reason can there be for being elsewhere?

Look at the spiritual reasons for every Christian coming to every service



By David Sproule

## The Christian and Balancing Life

In gymnastics, one of the more challenging exercises is the balance beam. On a horizontal raised apparatus that is only four inches wide, the gymnast performs various balancing feats, trying not fall off either side. Some gymnasts make it look so easy; some seem a little less skilled; some of us would make fools of ourselves just taking one step onto the beam. As with most endeavors, practice and determination are the keys to success in maintaining proper balance.

As Christians, we have a balance beam on which we walk with the Lord. Except, as Christians, this is not a sport or a competition—it is real life! As Christians, it is not a mere four feet down if we fall—it is a bottomless pit that awaits! Therefore, with an eternal home in heaven at stake, it is vital that we give ourselves to practice and determination, in order to keep ourselves properly balanced.

As faithful Christians (based on God's view of "faithfulness"), we must maintain a proper balance between:

- Work and recreation/play (2 Thess. 3:10).
- Work and worship (Matt. 4:4; Acts 2:42).
- Work and Christian fellowship (Acts 2:46-47).
- Work and personal time with God's Word (Psa. 119:97).

- Work and family (1 Tim. 5:8; Eph. 5:22-6:4).
- Recreation/play and worship (John 4:24; Psa. 122:1).
- Recreation/play and Christian fellowship (Jas. 1:27; 5:16).
- Recreation/play and personal time with God (Jas. 4:7-10).
- Recreation/play and family (Deut. 6:4-9; Phil. 2:3-4).

The list could go on and on. That's why practice and determination are so critical. Too often we get set in a certain pattern of daily living and we lose sight of those things that are of actual (and eternal) value.

Regardless of how much we may have rationalized our behavior, Jesus still tells us, "**But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,** and all these things shall be added to you" (Matt. 6:33).

Regardless of how important other things, responsibilities, people or plans have become in our lives, the Lord still tells us, "He is the head of the body, the church...**that in all things He may have the preeminence**" (Col. 1:18).

Regardless of how busy we allow (or intentionally plan) our schedules to become, Scripture still tells us, "...Be... **always abounding in the work of the Lord**" (1 Cor. 15:58).

Proper balance requires proper priorities! Best of all, as faithful Christians, when we are walking this narrow balance beam of life, we have the Lord holding our hand to help us!

As faithful Christians walking this narrow balance beam of life...



# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Pat Brown</b>	back pain & having trouble with her eyes
<b>Carolyn Cullom</b>	recovering from a fall, injured her back
<b>Sharon Feeney</b>	upcoming shoulder surgery (3/13)
<b>Janet Hickerson</b>	severe back pain, recovering from back surgery
<b>Loretta Holaday</b>	undergoing medical testing
<b>Judie Jenkins</b>	recovering from foot surgery
<b>Jeff Leslie</b>	recovering from triple bypass surgery & infection
<b>Ruth Lipford</b>	suffering with sciatica, in a lot of pain
<b>Silas Moses</b>	recovering at home from kidney surgery
<b>Jo Ann Rogers</b>	suffering with the shingles
<b>Cathy Seay</b>	recovering at home from surgery on carotid artery

### Long-Term Health Issues

<b>Millie Ames</b>	receiving specialized care
<b>Janet Hickerson</b>	suffering with back pain
<b>Lennie Langley</b>	Palms Edge, Hospice Care
<b>Deidra Miley</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Silas Moses</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Charles Norton</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Gene Puckett</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Les Sawyer</b>	recovering from radiation
<b>Norman Smedley</b>	at home and very weak
<b>Patricia Ventress</b>	both kidneys removed

<b>Our Shut-Ins:</b>	Vera Day	Helen Gardner	Loretta Holaday	Jean McMasters	Ricky Smedley
	Cora Lee Dennis	Margaret Griffo	Shelton Howell	Betty Matter	Margaret Wade
	Margie Fortenberry	Margie Hardin	Gladys Jackson	Leigh Puckett	Karen Watts

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Billie Earhart</b>	Cindy Nelson's grandmother, radiation for lung cancer
<b>Jennifer Jackson</b>	Joe & Janice Maloney's daughter, recovering from seizure
<b>Peggy Jagers</b>	Jack Jagers' mother, back in the hospital in Texas
<b>Techina James</b>	Loretta James' granddaughter, in ICU after car accident
<b>Perry King</b>	Betty King's father, advanced liver cancer, kidney issues
<b>Mason Lerro</b>	Richard & Judy Lerro's great-grandson, NICU, tracheotomy
<b>Peggy McKeal</b>	Ruth Lipford's daughter, recovering from major surgery
<b>Preston Mosley</b>	Novel Brown's cousin, in serious condition
<b>Curtis Spann</b>	Glen Dawson's cousin, stage 4 cancer
<b>Terry West</b>	Amy West's father, undergoing medical testing

## Pray for Our Missionaries

*Remember*  
**Our Mission Works**

*Our Paraguay Team*  
**Josh & Cara Blackmer**  
**Troy & Andrea Spradlin**

*Pacific Islands*  
**Robert & Mary Martin**  
**Scott & Rebecca Shanahan**  
**Joey & Tammy Treat**

*Africa*  
**Tamuka Arunashe**  
**Nnanna Aforji**

*Montgomery, Alabama*  
**Apologetics Press**

*Coral Springs, Florida*  
**Mauricio Yegros**



# Church Family Calendar of Events

## Sunday, March 9

- ◆ **Daylight Savings Time begins.** Set your clocks forward one hour!

## Sunday-Wednesday, March 9-12

- ◆ **Gospel Meeting at Palm Beach Lakes.** David Lipe will be speaking on "Finally...Some Good News!"

## Sunday, March 16

- ◆ **"Stepping into the Bible" Semester 4 begins** for the Children's Bible Class Program (Age 3 thru Grade 5).
- ◆ **EDP Bible Study & Fellowship** at 4:00 p.m. in the Family Room.
- ◆ **Wedding Shower for Harrison & Danielle Carter** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

## Saturday, March 22

- ◆ **Saturday Night Singing** (Led by Gary Friedly) at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

## Sunday, March 30

- ◆ **5th Sunday Singing in the Lobby** during evening worship.

## Sunday, April 6

- ◆ **Renova Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.

## Thursday April 17

- ◆ **Ladies' Day at Palm Beach Lakes.** Kathy Pollard of Denver, CO will be speaking on "The Bride of Christ."
 

5:45 p.m.	Registration
6:00 p.m.	Opening Comments & Dinner Served by PBL Men
7:15 p.m.	Lesson: "The Bride of Christ"

## Saturday, April 19

- ◆ **Golf Tournament at CFBC.** See the bulletin board for more information.

## Sunday, April 27

- ◆ **Troy Spradlin Mission Report** at 9:00 a.m. Jr. High, Sr. High & all adult classes will meet in the Auditorium.

## Sunday, May 4

- ◆ **Renova Nursing Home Visit** at 2:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Wedding Shower for Ivan Villard & Amber Pittman** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room. They are registered at Pottery Barn, Target & Bed, Bath & Beyond.



## Palm Beach Lakes

# Young Adults

## Sunday, March 16

- ◆ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 1.

## Saturday, March 29

- ◆ **Young Adult & Sr. High Cookout for Kids** from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at TY Park in Miami. See Ivan Villard or Brittany Thompson for details.

## Saturday, April 12

- ◆ **Young Adult Area-Wide Devo & Fellowship** at 6:00 p.m. at PBL. See Ivan Villard for details.

## Sunday, April 20

- ◆ **Young Adult Meeting** after evening worship in Adult 1.

## Saturday, May 3

- ◆ **Young Adult Devo** at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Mike & Jean Archer.

## Monday, May 5

- ◆ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m.



## Palm Beach Lakes

# Youth

## Friday, March 14

- ◆ **Sr. High "Getting to Know God's Family" Game Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the building. All members are encouraged to attend for a night of fellowship, games and finger foods. See Chris or Brittany Thompson for more details.

## Saturday, March 15

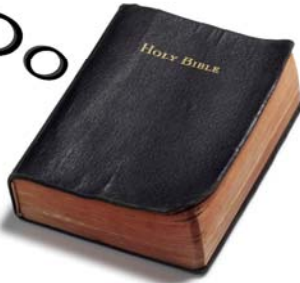
- ◆ **Jr. High Kayaking** at Riverbend Park. Cost is \$20/each. Bring lunch & sunscreen (drinks will be provided). Wear long shorts, T-shirt, hat and water shoes. See Ivan Villard or David Sproule for details.

## Friday, March 21

- ◆ **Sr. High Fun Night.** Location TBD. See Brittany Thompson or Jennifer Higbee for details.

## Sunday, March 23

- ◆ **Sr. High Devo** after evening worship at the home of Bob & Jennifer Higbee.
- ◆ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship.



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### What if light had free will?

The very first instruction of God recorded in the Bible is found in Genesis 1:3, **“Then God said, ‘Let there be light.’”** Imagine for a moment that God had given light the freedom to make its own choices. When God said, “Let there be light,” would it bother you if the very next statement said, “But light was too busy at the moment”? Or, “But light just wasn’t ‘feelin’ it’ right then”? Or, “While light had good intentions, it ultimately decided there were other things more important”?

Back in the realm of reality, we know that light was not given free will. We know that when God said, **“Let there be light,”** that the very next statement said, **“and there was light.”** Light didn’t have a choice. It did what God told it to do.

Rather than “flex” our free will or allow it to “make excuses” for us, what if we were like light? What if, when God told us to do something, the very next statement could be, **“and it was done”**? We can learn a lot from the very first instruction of God in the Bible! – DS

### How to listen to a sermon

You may not agree with this, but preaching is “an art” or someone might call it “a craft.” Proper effort must be given to honing the “skill” of preaching and then to each individual “sermon.” So, if preaching is “an art” which requires proper effort on the preacher’s part, then would listening to a sermon also be considered “an art” (or “a craft”) that requires proper effort on the listener’s part? (You know...the preaching of God’s Word is one of the avenues of worship for all Christians/worshippers, not just for the preacher.) So, how should someone listen to a sermon?

God honored the Bereans in Acts 17 as a noble (fair-minded) people and then explained why He considered them as such. As Paul was preaching the gospel, (1) they were eager (“with all readiness”); (2) they were welcoming (“received the word”); (3) they were diligent (“searched the Scriptures”); (4) they were discriminating (“to find out whether these things were so”).

During a sermon, are you **eager, welcoming, diligent** and **discriminating**? That’s how God tells us to listen to a sermon! – DS

**"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)**



Sunday,  
March 2

Thank you for your prayers. My husband's surgery went well, and my tests came back free from cancer, giving God the praise. Thanks, church family.

Mary A. Jackson

**LOCAL VISITORS:** Rose Armstrong; Paul and Nellie Batitsky; Yurose Baudin; Bernard Chassagne; Terry and Regina Crews; Shaeyla Davis; Michael Durette; Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ford; Angela Freeman; Lorenzo Garcia; Ms. Santana Gunsby; John Loftis; Ms. Monique LeBlanc; Lana Smith, Sasha, and Alexis; and Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Stewart.

**OUT OF TOWN VISITORS:** Mrs. Cindy Aberli, Louisville, KY; Vickie Armstrong, Tampa, FL; Mrs. Melissa Brown & children, Oakland, TN; Ann Carter, Searcy, AR; Mr. & Mrs. Ricky Davis, Equality, AL; Jim & Judy Howell, Tallahassee, FL; Mrs. Luce Kasz, Quebec, Canada; Mrs. Mary LaGatta, Winchester, MA; Bonnie Lewis, Lincolnton, GA; the McPherson family, Nashville, TN; Mr. & Mrs. Don Mahaney, Vienna, WV; Heather & Katlyn Mayne, Cut Off, LA; Ms. Monica Morando, Jensen Beach, FL; Mr. & Mrs. Geoff Paul, Palm Coast, FL; Mrs. Joan Palmer, San Antonio, TX; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pedigo, Woodbury, TN; John & Bobbie Seay, Amory, MS; Daniel & Allison Simons, Greenwood, IN; Ed Sims, Asheville, NC; Mrs. Angela Soler, Miami, FL; Mrs. Martie Veverka, Murphy, NC; Leon & Marie Weeks, Valdosta, GA; and Ms. Linda Wolfe, Fayetteville, NC.



Sunday (Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>)

Jean McMasters  
Bonnie Quigley

Thursday (Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>)

Bob & Jennifer Higbee (Ann.)  
Vivian Blackmer  
Rachel Payne  
Leesa Schenk

Tuesday (Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>)

Godfrey & Norma Pratt (Ann.)

Friday (Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>)

Mike Erickson  
Carla Owens

Wednesday (Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>)

Jim & Robin Davis (Ann.)  
Karl Dupérat

Saturday (Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>)

Henry & Josephine Bass (Ann.)



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**Those to Serve**

*If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.*

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at 9:50 a.m.*

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 5:50 p.m.*

**Sunday Morning, Mar. 9**

Lead Singing ..... Gary Friedly  
Opening Prayer ..... Dan Fuller  
Scripture Reading..... Eugene Williams  
Presiding at Table ..... Richard Watson  
Serve at Table:  
Stephen Beliech     Richard Lerro  
Novel Brown         Kenneth Long  
Jeff Goodale         Rodney Robinson  
Bill Ingram, Jr.       Tyrone Toson  
Alternates:  
Chad Brown           Freddie Gadson  
Sermon..... David Lipe  
Closing Prayer ..... David Brown

**Sunday Evening, Mar. 9**

Lead Singing ..... Gary Friedly  
Opening Prayer ..... Phil Porter  
Scripture Reading..... Dirk Summerlot  
Presiding at Table..... Matt Ellis  
Serve at Table:  
Victor Colage, L.H. Richardson &  
Clayton Trujillo  
Sermon..... David Lipe  
Closing Prayer ..... Joe Holland

**Wednesday Evening, Mar. 12**

Lead Singing ..... Gospel Meeting  
Extend Invitation..... Gospel Meeting  
Family Prayer ..... Gospel Meeting

**Our Record**

Attendance	Mar. 2	Feb. Avg.
Sun. Bible study	226	225
Sun. A.M. Worship	305	379
Sun. P.M. Worship	206	179
Wed. Bible study	192	192
Contribution	\$17,169	\$14,116
2014 Weekly Budget: \$13,670		
Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: +5,349		

Ushers for the week of **Mar. 9:** Head Usher: Glen Dawson, David Payne & Chris Thompson

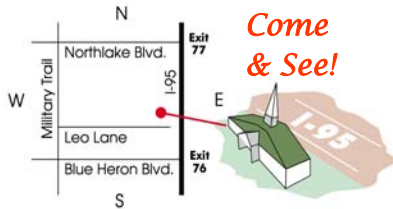




# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

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**Come & See!**

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### Service Schedule

#### Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.  
Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday:

Bible classes ..... 7:00 p.m.

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## First-Century Christianity in the Twenty-First Century

Speaking where the Bible speaks

Silent where the Bible is silent

Calling Bible things by Bible names

Doing Bible things in Bible ways

# CHURCH OF CHRIST

## What Must I Do to Be Saved?

### The Bible says...

- 1. Believe that Jesus is the Son of God**  
"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved" (Acts 16:31).
- 2. Repent of your sinful ways**  
"Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" (Acts 3:19).
- 3. Confess your faith in Jesus**  
"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus...you will be saved" (Rom. 10:9).
- 4. Be immersed in water**  
"He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16).
- 5. Commit to a lifetime of faithful service**  
"Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Rev. 2:10).