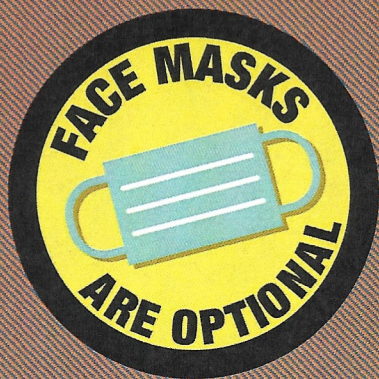




HOLT STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST NEWSLETTER

2026 THEME: "They First Gave Themselves to the Lord" 2 Corinthians 8:5

Let's get ready for our **Gospel Meeting**

August 30 – September 2, 2026

Sunday 10 am, Monday – Wednesday 7 pm nightly

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Michael Shepherd – Westside CoC, Pensacola, FL (S-M)

Greg Dismuke - Newport News CoC, Newport News, VA (T-W)

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A Faith of Action (Pt. 1)

Performing a self-evaluation is beneficial to determine if an individual is achieving the mark or standard. James 1:22-24 says, But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. If what you see in the glass mirror (self-inspection) is not in line with the word of God, a change to obeying the Lord must be done to get it right. Take immediate action to strengthen your faith in whatever areas are not compliant with scripture. Paul says in 2 Corinthians 13:5 to examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith and prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? To be in the faith, Jesus Christ must be alive in a Christian.

Christ being alive in a Christian manifests itself by the individual presenting his body as a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God which is his reasonable service as referenced in Romans 12:1. In Romans 12:2, it states that the key to being a living sacrifice is the lifestyle transformation which occurs by the renewing of the mind to obey the will of God. When we are baptized into Christ, God gives us the gift of the Holy Spirit which Acts 2:38 states. As Christians we should live and walk in the Spirit. (Galatians 5:25) In Romans 8:26, it says that likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities (human weaknesses).... In order to be pleasing to God, examine how your faith is doing using the word of God as the guide.

Summing up for this Part 1 message, what actions are you doing to show your faith? The scripture states that we are saved by the grace of God through faith, but man was created to do good works in Christ Jesus because this is the will of God. (Ephesians 2:8-10) Here are 5 areas for self-evaluation this time from Romans 12:3-9: 1. Being humble and not high-minded, 2. Use your natural abilities/talents to help the church (body of Christ), 3. Show real love, no pretense, 4. Abhor/hate evil, and 5. Hold fast to good. Is Christ alive in you? More to come in Part 2. Amen

- The Eldership

Sunday School @ 8:45am
Sunday Morning Worship @ 10am
Wednesday Bible Class @ 6:30pm
(In person & on YouTube)
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Opening Prayer.....Anthony Bates
Song Service.....Eric Barnes
Sermon.....Eric Thornton
CommunionTavares Mathews
Offering.....Tavares Mathews
Closing Prayers.....Dale Ruffin

- Sunday School, Sunday Sermons with Communion, and Bible Studies are available for home worship and enrichment on our [YouTube](#) page. Also, look for new editions of the Berean Digest at www.bereandigest.com
- Watch our program on Charter Channel 180 Sunday mornings at 9am
- **AUGUST BAPTISM ASSISTANCE:** Vicki Watkins

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Congratulations to our new brother, **Johnny Toney** (husband of Adrienne Toney), who put on Christ in baptism on Wednesday night. Let's all welcome him to the body of Christ.
- **Ladies Prayer Night**, Friday, August 14th @ 7 pm hosted by Chenita Mathews
- **Youth and Family Devotional**, Saturday, August 22nd from 10:30am – 12:00pm at the church building. All are welcome.
- **Ladies Day**, Cusseta Road C of C, Columbus, GA – Saturday, September 19, 2026 @ 8am. Speaker: Le Lang Topic: "Victory Over Trials" – James 5:11 Any ladies interested in attending should sign the sheet in the lobby.

