# FIRST THINGS

### UNITY GUIDE



HARVEST CELEBRATION EVANGELISTIC CHURCH MEMBER OF THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

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WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE Sunday 11:00 AM Wednesday Bible Class 7:30 PM

#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Sunday 10:00 AM

Sunday School Classes for All Ages

### Touching Lives with Love, Hope and Direction.

Justical Ministry with a World Vision for SOULS

## **VISION** for 2007-2008

Isaiah 61:1-3 — to preach good tidings; to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD & day of vengeance; to comfort all that mourn.

Let's consecrate ourselves to pray and believe that the Lord will give Pastor Scott the wisdom and clarity of vision to write the vision in the hearts of the body and make it plain so *that we may run with the vision in the unity of the Spirit*.

- 1. To labor for an average of 10 souls come into the kingdom for every month of our existence as a church
- 2. To disciple for membership / pastoral care at least 75% of that number.
- 3. To labor so that at least 80% of that number experiences the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.
- 4. To minister divine healing of the physical body on a regular basis.
- 5. To minister tangible help and healing for those who are broken and/or bound.
- 6. To recover, heal, and strengthen marriages and families.

7. To diligently obtain and implement the tools and human resources to fulfill the vision.

The Vision for 2007-2008 is the beginning of the Ministry Focus over the next 5 years. The objectives are based on the number of months of existence from 4/2000 to 4/2010. These are reasonable or realistic goal for 10 years of ministry. We will set our faith & labor to see 1920 souls saved, and Harvest membership grow to 1080. The city is large enough. The community that we are in now is large enough. The potential is there for much more that this. The 7 points list our objectives.

So, what needs to happen to serve a membership increase of 1080 over 5 years? To serve a membership increase of 1080 over 5 years we must:

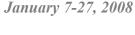
- 1. Double membership 5 times over the next 5 years (60 120 240 480 960 1920)
- 2. In 2007-2008, we need to double to 120. To reach this goal, we must labor for an average of 20 guests per week especially the unsaved (this includes Sunday and Wednesday).

### IF WE ARE READY FOR THIS KINGDOM CHALLENGE, LET'S RISE TO THE OCCASION AND BE ABOUT THE FATHER'S BUSINESS.



## THEME: 2008, THE YEAR FOR GREAT!





## 21 Days of Prayer,

### Fasting, & Seeking the Lord's Face

· Great Desire

Great God

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- Great High Priest
- Great Shepherd
- Great Joy
- Great Light
- Great Reward
- Great Faith
- Great Calm
- Great Amazement
- Great Power
- Great Grace
- Great Fear
- Great Wonders
- Great Miracles
- Great Boldness
- Great Zeal

- Great Consolation
- Great Salvation
- Great Deliverance
- Great Recompense of Reward
- Great and Precious
  Promises
- Great and Effectual Opened Door
- Greater Works
- Greater Love
- Greater Riches
- Greatly Rejoicing
- Greater is He That's Is In You Than He That Is In the World



Fasting until 3:00 P.M. on Fast Days

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Jurisdi	9 ctional Cons	10 ecration a	11 nd Revival	12
13	14 Fasting	15	16 Fasting	17	18	19
20	21 Fasting	22	23 Fasting	24	25	26 Shut-In
27	28	29	30	31		

Join saints all of Southern Mississippi for a Day of Prayer & Fasting (24 hours). Begins Monday, 9:00 p.m. until Tuesday, 9:00 p.m. (see page 3)

## WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE CONSECRATED?

The word consecrate is used two times in the New Testament. Both times it is used in connection with Jesus. Both Greek words clearly describes the life of Jesus as one which was totally surrendered to God the Father to solely fulfill His will.

An adequate synonym of consecrate is the word **inaugurate**. To be inaugurated is to be sworn in or established in an office for the purpose of carrying out an assignment given in writing by another. Jesus was inaugurated before the foundations of the world to be God's sacrificial substitute for sinful man. The purpose of God was spoken by prophets and recorded in the Scriptures from Genesis to Malachi. He was established in his priestly office to be Christ the Lord.

By implication, the one who is inaugurated, is renewed or infused with all that is needed to operated in the full potential of the office. To be **consecrated** is literally to be **authorized** and **empowered** to fully carryout the will of another—**thus REQUIRING the one who is CONSECRATED to be DEDICATED**. Jesus was dedicated to consummate, complete, accomplish, finish, fulfill, or make perfect His Father's will. He makes clear his commitment in the Garden of Gethsemene when He prayed three times "**nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.**" Each time that He prayed, He was renewing His commitment to doing the Father's will. Spending time in prayer concerning the Father's will and rededicating ourselves to His will is the essence of a **consecration**. Deliberately pursuing the Father's will in our daily walk and in our direction in life is the essence of being **consecrated**.

The Believer's Consecrated Life is unmistakably seen in Romans 12:1-2. We are called on to present our bodies as a living sacrifice which is holy (exclusively used by God) and acceptable to God for the purpose of proving that God's will is good, acceptable, and perfect.

The purpose of any time spent Seeking the Lord is to pray for the PERFECT WILL OF GOD to be done in our church, in our personal walk with God, in our families, and in our finances. The **SEED** of your *Time* and *Attention* will yield "*The Harvest of His Presence*." The **SEED** of your *Giving* will yield "The Harvest of His Favor."

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### Prayer and Fasting Schedule Directions for 2008 First Things Consecration

21 DAYS OF FASTING, PRAYER, AND SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES TO SEEK THE FACE OF GOD:

CONSECRATION AND REVIVAL for Mississippi Southern Second Jurisdiction Church of God in Christ with Bishop A. V. Jordan

FIRST WEEK: Tuesday (Jan 8), A Day of Fasting and Prayer Wednesday-Friday (Jan 9-11), Jurisdictional Revival

Join saints all of Southern Mississippi on A Day of Prayer & Fasting. The 24 hours of fasting begins Monday, 9:00 p.m. and ends Tuesday, 9:00 p.m. The Time of Prayer at McDowell-Nance Convention Center is Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. The prayer service will be led by Pastor Micah Scott, District Missionary Mary Eaton, and others.

### PRAYER AND FASTING at Harvest Celebration Evangelistic Church

SECOND WEEK:	The MEN will lead prayer
THIRD WEEK:	The WOMEN will lead prayer

- FASTING SCHEDULE: The Corporate Fasting days are Mondays and Wednesdays from midnight until 3:00 p.m.
- **PRAYER SCHEDULE:** The Corporate Prayer times are Mondays and Wednesday at the church from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Our Corporate prayer times will conclude with a special time of anointing with oil believing that the hand of the Lord is on us as we seek His face. Everyone is asked to come as many days as possible. It's time to Seek the Lord until He comes and rains righteousness upon us (Hosea 10:12).
- **PERSONAL MEDITATIONS:** Each day set 2 times a day for reading and meditation in the Scriptures. Spend at least 15 minutes each time for seeking the Lord through the Scriptures. Also, commit one of the verses to memory for meditation throughout the day.
- PERSONAL PRAYER TIME DISCIPLINE: Each day set aside 3 times each day (as the Prophet Daniel) for prayer. Spend at least 15-20 minutes in your prayer closet before the Lord each day. PREPARATION OR PLANNING our time in prayer leads to effective or effectual fellowship with the Father. Also, SETTING OUR HEARTS (which is giving ourselves direction) to seek the Lord ELIMINATES distractions and a sense of just "going through the motion." DISCIPLINE develops a PRAYER life and a CONSECRATED life.
- JANUARY 2008 SHUT-IN: Saturday, January 26 from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

### Don't Miss This Move of God for Your Life!!!