

# Gospel Power



*"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation..." (Romans 1:16)*

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**Men Priviledged To Serve:**  
Sunday, September 24th

***Bible Classes***

Song Leader  
..... Eddie J. Hammond  
Bible Reading .....  
..... No Reading  
Prayer  
..... Scottie Goode

***Morning Worship***

Song Leader  
..... Eddie J. Hammond  
Prayer  
..... Ray Tucker  
Lord's Supper  
Presiding ..... Ronnie Phillips  
Assisting ..... Brian Word  
Serving ..... Jonathan Keenon  
..... Rodney McCrary  
..... Ethan Pressnell  
..... Steve Parker  
Closing Prayer  
..... Jimmy Glass

***Evening Worship***

Song Leader  
..... Kevin Chancellor  
Bible Reading .....  
..... No Reading  
Prayer  
..... Rocky Rose  
Lord's Supper  
..... Ronnie Phillips  
..... Brian Word  
Closing Prayer  
..... Aric Butler

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*Beginning Today*

# **Gospel Meeting**

***September 24-28***

(Sunday – Thursday)

## ***Schedule of Services***

***Sunday: 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.***

***Monday – Thursday: 7:00 p.m.***

**Bill Hall, Speaker**

***Anderson church of Christ***

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# “One Verse Only” Salvation

Bill Hall

The following is an actual Bible discussion between two men searching for truth. Only slight variations exist. We hope that by printing it here we can bring our readers to a better understanding of Bible teaching concerning what to do to be saved.

*Joe:* The Bible tells exactly what one must do to be saved in Romans 10:9: “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.”

*John:* Yes, I believe that verse, but we must not isolate one verse and ignore other passages which give additional information on the subject.

*Joe:* But other verses confirm this teaching. The thief on the cross and the publican in the temple were both saved in this way. The publican just smote his breast and prayed, “God be merciful to me a sinner,” and then went down to his house justified.

*John:* Did the thief and the publican believe that God had raised Jesus from the dead?

*Joe:* Of course not, for Jesus had not died.

*John:* But Romans 10:9 says that one must believe “that God hath raised him from the dead.” So, in our acceptance of Romans 10:9 as being applicable to the sinner today, we rule out the thief and the publican as examples of how present day conversions take place.

*Joe:* I see what you’re saying, but I still believe that Romans 10:9 contains the full plan of salvation, for it says “Thou shalt be saved.”

*John:* But Romans 10:9 doesn’t mention repentance. You believe that one must repent, don’t you?

*Joe:* Yes, one must repent to be saved.

*John:* Then you acknowledge that to learn what one must do to be saved, a person must accept all that the scriptures say on the subject rather than simply rely on one verse, such as Romans 10:9, isolated from the rest of the Bible. But when we study further we learn of a penitent believer, Saul of Tarsus, who was instructed to, “Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord” (Acts 22:16). We conclude, therefore, that in addition to doing those things mentioned in Romans 10:9, one must also repent and be baptized to be saved.

We urge our readers to study for themselves. The conversion of the 3,000 (Acts 2:22-41), the Samaritans (Acts 8:5-13), of the Ethiopian (Acts 8:35-39), of the Philippian jailer (Acts 16:25-34) ought to be carefully considered. Observe what each one did to be saved, and “go, and do thou likewise.”

~via *The Beacon*; Charlottesville, Virginia.



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# Great Evangelistic Tool

Scott Smelser

I think it works better than radio, better than auto-dialers, better than showings of Jule Miller filmstrips, better than mailing out a bulletin, better than Dial-a-bible-reading, better than debates, better than cable tv.

What is it? It's brethren not being conformed to the world.

If a church is made up of people who understand 184 current and past issues correctly, but their lives do not show superior conduct, servitude, and holiness, don't expect an auto dialer, computer, printer, broadcast antenna, or cable outlet to compensate for the failure.

When church members think like the world, dress like the world; talk like the world; and chase money and status symbols like the world, it is the world that is winning them, not the other way around.

When church members are selfish, egotistical, arrogant, and shallow, then they are not in a position to help the world to a higher plane.

If our families are splitting up, our children are dropping out, and our homes are little different from our neighbors then our "light" gets rather difficult to notice.

But if people learn self-denial (Luke 9:23), learn submission to God and care for neighbor (Matthew 22), learn to be servants (John 13), learn to be content (1 Timothy 6:8), learn to invest in family (Titus 2:5; Ephesians 6:4, Proverbs 22:6), and learn to clean out the **inside** of the cup, not just the outside (Matthew 23), then bright lights will shine.

*"Ye are an elect race, a royal priesthood, a people for God's own possession, that ye may show forth the excellencies of Him who called you out*

of darkness *into* His marvelous light...having your behavior seemly among the gentiles; that ... they may glorify God." (1 Peter 2:9-12).

"Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God ... and be *not* fashioned according to this world, but be *ye transformed* by the renewing of your mind" (Romans 12:1-2)

We are not called simply to know some things different from the world—we are called to rise above the world, and to "be holy" (1 Peter 1:15). And when people become that kind of light, it creates a great evangelistic tool.

And it will far exceed the effect of debates, radio, tv, and mail outs.

- via *Wildercroft Bulletin*; Riverdale, Maryland..

## News and Notes

**THE SICK:** *Shannon Johnson* was released from the hospital on Thursday...*Glenda Phillips' husband, Ray Phillips*, had an arteriogram done on Friday, but still has a blockage. He is in the ECM hospital... *Charlotte Hall* is still awaiting word to begin her treatments ...*Myrtie Williams* is at home and not able to be out ...*Ronnie & Lou Ann Phillips* were sick and unable to be Bible study Wednesday night ... *Virginia Lovell* has been sick and unable to be at services...*Jack Tucker* is not able to be out ... *Larry Johnson* is confined at home ...*Faye Hammond* is at home ...*Judy Williams' mother, Flossie Kazzaire*, continues in a nurs-

ing facility in Fayette ... *Tisha Thomas' grandmother, Nellie Hunter*, is in the Meadow Brook Nursing Home in Pulaski.

**GOSPEL MEETINGS:** The *College View church* in Florence is beginning a gospel meeting tomorrow and it will continue through Wednesday. Services will begin each evening at 7:00 p.m. *David Thomley* will be the speaker in this meeting... The *Parkway church* in Lawrence county is having a gospel meeting this week through Friday. The services Monday through Friday will begin at 7:00 p.m. *Jeff May* will be the speaker in the meeting... The *Underwood Heights church* in Florence is beginning a gospel meeting today and it will continue through Friday. *Jerry Henderson* will be the speaker.

**OUR MEETING:** This morning we are beginning our gospel meeting. *Bill Hall* will be preaching during the meeting. I know that he will do his job well and that all will benefit from his lessons. We will be meeting this afternoon at 4:00 and Monday through Thursday evening at 7:00. I hope that we have all made our plans to be at every service. Remember to invite others to be with us and continue to pray for the meeting and for brother Hall. There are still some fliers, cards and door hangers on the table in the vestibule, if you need some. We will be recording these lessons on CD and DVD. Let us know if you would like a copy of the lessons in either form.

**COMMUNICATION GROUPS:** Tonight will be the time for Communication Groups four to meet. If you are in Group four, remember to meet with your group tonight.

**THE RECORD:** *Attendance week of Sept. 17th Sunday:*

Bible Classes ..... 98  
 Morning Worship ..... 118  
 Evening Worship ..... 90

**Wednesday:**

Bible Classes ..... 91

**Schedule of Services**

**Sunday**

Bible Classes ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship ..... 10:45 a.m.  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Bible Classes ..... 7:00 p.m.

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