

The Heart of GOD

**MATTERS
OF THE
HEART**

Living Word Church
Sunday, September 27, 2009

Welcome to Living Word Church

Welcome Guests

Welcome! We are glad to have you here and hope you feel at home among us. Regardless of your background — whether you are just beginning to ask questions about God or you are a committed Christian wanting to deepen your faith, Living Word is a place you can call home and find spiritual help, hope, and encouragement.

Connecting

We would like to acknowledge your visit today. We hope you will feel comfortable enough to share your name and your choice of contact information (email, address, phone, however you prefer for us to acknowledge your visit).

Please fill out a connection card (available from an usher or on the welcome table in the foyer) and drop the card in the offering. We will contact you to thank you for attending today and see if there is anything we can do to serve you and your family. Again, please indicate on the card how you prefer to be contacted by us.

Nursery

When you enter our front door our nursery is on your right. If you have a child from newborn to age 2 and need a nursery, you are welcome at any time to take your child to the nursery. We also provide well-qualified nursery workers who will lovingly care for your child if you want to return to the church service.

Children's Ministry

Preschool (ages 3 to 5) meet in the classroom in the main church building (in the hallway next to the restrooms). Ages 6 to 12 meet in the fellowship hall. Our children's ministry begins at 10:30 AM and features singing, crafts, snacks and Bible stories.

RockSolid Youth

Our youth meet Sunday 4:00 to 7:30 PM in the Pebble, the youth building next door to the main church building.

20 & 30-Somethings

Our 20 and 30-somethings meet in the fellowship hall on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.

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Luke 9:34-35; John 6:27-29; John 3:14-21; Hebrews 12:25; John 7:37-39

THE DESIRE OF GOD'S HEART FOR HIS PEOPLE

- ❶ To _____ Him.
- ❷ To _____ in Jesus Christ and _____ the promise of eternal life.
- ❸ To _____ Him.
- ❹ To allow the _____ of His Spirit to _____ through them.
 - A. The _____ of the river is _____.
 - B. The river _____ wherever it goes.
 - C. The river has a _____ flow.
 - D. The river's flow is victoriously _____.
 - E. The river _____ all _____.
 - F. The river provides _____ for _____.

**Will you stay focused on your Source
and allow rivers of living water to flow through you
to bring life, nourishment and blessings to others?**

cubits the water is knee-deep, another thousand cubits the water is waist-deep, another thousand cubits the water is too deep to cross and Ezekiel is swimming. What message is God trying to get Ezekiel to see? What is the significance of ankle-deep, knee-deep, waist-deep, and too deep?

Where the river flows life appears. What can we learn from this? In verse 11, the swamps and the marshes do not become fresh but remain salty. What might this represent?

3. Read John 7:37-39, Jesus speaks of living waters flowing out of changed hearts and transformed lives. We come to Christ and drink. He satisfies our thirst with such an abundant supply that rivers flow out of our inner being. Rivers reflect a non stopping abundance. In John 10:10, Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." What does it mean for Jesus Christ to satisfy our thirst?

4. How would you describe a Christian who has living waters flowing out of their heart?

5. Read Psalms 16:11 and Psalms 36:5-9. What do these verses reveal to you about God's love, God's joy, God's presence, and God's pleasure.

4. Read Revelation 22:1-5,17. The river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, is flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of the great street of the city. The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life. What do you look forward to the most on the day when you will personally hear these words and see this sight for yourself?

LIFE AT HOME

Revelation 22:17 says, "The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come!' And let him who hears say, 'Come!' Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life." What can we do this week to extend this invitation now? Who can you share the joy of the Lord with? Who can you offer the free gift of the water of life? Look for a divine appointment this week. Let's ask God to cause our paths to cross with a thirsty soul that we can offer pure living water to quench their thirst. The Spirit is calling the thirsty to come, so let's look for them to come our way that we may direct them to the One who will satisfy their thirst and cause living waters to flow from their hearts too.

CHURCH SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

First Service	9:00 AM to 10:00 AM
Second Service	10:30 AM to 12:00 PM
Children's Church	10:30 PM to 12:00 PM
RockSolid Youth	4:00 PM to 7:30 PM

LIFE GROUP TIMES & LOCATIONS

Life Groups meet in homes throughout the community. Our current groups are listed here. Call one today for details on their group or call our Life Group coordinators Donald & Retta Lyons (909-8076 or 908-0057). You can also email Donald at dlyons@lowcountry.com.

Sunday 6:00 PM

Rick & Debbie Linder
562-2417

Location

Smoaks

Focus

All ages

Ray & Josie Colson
538-2117

1789 Sidneys Road
Walterboro

All ages

Raymond & June Hiott
538-2172

225 Wells Lane
(off Bells Hwy)

All ages

Donald & Retta Lyons
909-8076 or 908-0057

5672 Sniders Hwy
(4 miles form I-95)

All ages

John & Barbara Steele
549-7751

30 Waverly Street
(Longleaf)

All ages

Sunday 6:30 PM

Linda Frazier
835-2327

Cottageville

All ages

LIFE GROUP TIMES & LOCATIONS

Tuesday 6:30 PM

Bob & Janet Rogers
599-1011 or 599-1010

Location

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All ages

Wednesday 6:30 PM

Clyde & Bonnie Reid
532-1708 or 835-5249

202 Stark Drive
(Woodland Terrace)

All ages

Steve & Danielle Phillips
475-2140 or 860-3678

Living Word Church

20s & 30s

Ben Langdale
Shawn Langdale
893-6859

299 Dandridge Road
(Hyde Park)

Teenage Boys

Stacy Langdale
909-0758 or 893-6456

6117 Jefferies Highway
(Walterboro North)

Teenage Girls

Wednesday 7:00 PM

John & Pam Maxlow
217-8395 or 217-8389

21 Prestwick Place
/corner Wexford Way
(right on Wexford—past country club)

All ages

Thursday 7:00 PM

Buddy Buchanan
908-1510

Living Word Church

Men

Andy Harrison
909-1122

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Men

Friday 5:00 PM

Andy Harrison
909-1122

106 James Street
(Forest Hills)

Boys & Girls
6th—8th grade