

# Morning Worship

## 02.07.10

### Preparation for Worship

#### Before the Throne of God Above

Lyrics & Music: Charitie Lees Bancroft & Vikki Cook, 1997

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of seven staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and perfect plea A great High Priest whose name is Love Who ev - er lives and pleads for me My name is grav - en on His hands My name is writ - ten on His heart I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can bid me thence de - part no tongue can bid me thence de - - - part".

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end to all my sin  
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free  
For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless Righteousness  
The great unchangeable "I AM", the King of Glory and of grace  
One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased with His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high; with Christ, my Savior and my God  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

## **Welcome & Announcements**

### **Reflection**

#### **About the Call to Worship**

Our worship service is a back and forth dialogue between God and his people. God has the first word in the service as he calls us to worship through the Scriptures. We then respond to him in prayer and song. He calls us to confess our sins, and we respond in confession. And the service continues in this way.

The call to worship is a short Scripture text that invites us into God's very presence to attend to him. Just as we would not think to casually "drop in" on a king or president, neither do we simply "drop in" on God in worship. He must invite us; grant us an audience; usher us into his presence. He has called us to meet with him. We have been granted an audience with the Great King. And this is the amazing thing: God wants to fellowship us. He wants to share His presence with us. He delights to call us His people, and welcome us as a loving parent would welcome his child. That is the confidence we have in Jesus Christ. For Christ has gone before us, as a Great High Priest, and given us a righteousness we could never earn that qualifies us to enter God's presence. And so we come with humility and confidence, reverence and joy.

### **Prelude**

## **The Word**

### **Call to Worship**

Psalm 68: 4

Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the Lord; exult before him!

### **Prayer of Invocation**

# Hymn of Praise and Worship

## Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

Lyrics: Walter Smith, 1876; Music: Traditional Welsh hymn melody, 1839

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a double bar line and repeat dots. The second staff has a measure number '6' above it. The third staff has a measure number '10' above it. The fourth staff has a measure number '14' above it and a first ending bracket labeled '1' above it. The fifth staff has a measure number '18' above it and a second ending bracket labeled '2' above it, with the word 'REFRAIN' written below the staff. The sixth staff has a measure number '23' above it. The seventh staff has a measure number '27' above it. The music ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Im - mor-tal, In - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise In  
light in - ac - cess - ab - le, hid from our eyes Most  
bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days Al -  
might - y, vic - tor - ious, Thy great Name we praise! Un -  
love Im - mor - tal, In - vis - i - ble, hid from our eyes We  
praise You, we bless You, we lift You on high! Im -  
mor - tal, In - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might  
Thy justice like mountains, high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love [REFRAIN]

Great Father of glory, Pure Father of light  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight  
All praise we would render, O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee [REFRAIN]

## Call to Confession of Sin

### I Need Thee Every Hour

Lyrics: Annie Hawks, 1872; Music: Robert Lowry, 1872

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. It begins with a common time signature (C) and a repeat sign. The lyrics are: "I need Thee ev-'ry hour, most gra-cious Lord. No ten-der voice like Thine can peace af-ford." The score includes a first ending (marked '1.') and a refrain (marked '2. 3. REFRAIN'). The refrain lyrics are: "I nigh. I vain. I need Thee, oh, I need Thee; ev-'ry hour I need Thee. I\_\_ need\_\_ Thee. I\_\_ need\_\_ Thee. I\_\_ need Thee ev-'ry hour. I\_\_ need Thee, I\_\_ need Thee, I\_\_ need Thee ev-'ry hour." The score ends with a double bar line and the instruction "D.S. al Coda".

I need Thee ev'ry hour, stay Thou nearby  
Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh [REFRAIN]

I need Thee ev'ry hour, in joy or pain;  
Come quickly and abide or life is vain. [REFRAIN]

Oh, bless me now, my Savior; I come to Thee  
Oh, bless me now, my Savior; I come to Thee

I need Thee ev'ry hour, teach me Thy will  
And Thy rich promises in me fulfill [REFRAIN]

## Prayer of Confession of Sin

[Please pray the italicized portions aloud together.]

*Great God and Father, we confess that have been unfaithful to your covenant. We have worshiped other gods: money, reputation, and our own comfort. We have served our own self-interest instead of serving only you and your people. We have not loved our neighbor as you have commanded, and we have withheld mercy.*

*Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness of our covenant with you and one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

## Silent Prayers of Confession of Sin

### Assurance of Pardon

Ezekiel 36:25-26

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

### Hymn of Pardoning Grace

#### In Christ Alone

Lyrics & Music : Keith Getty & Stuart Townend, 2002



In Christ a - lone, my hope is found; He is my  
light, my strength, my song; This cor - ner - stone, this sol id  
ground, firm through the fier - cest drought and  
storm; What heights of love, what depths of  
peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings  
cease; My Com - fort - er, my All in all, here in the  
love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe  
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

## **Epistle Reading**

Galatians 4:21-31

Tell me, you who want to be under the law, are you not aware of what the law says? For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman and the other by the free woman. His son by the slave woman was born in the ordinary way; but his son by the free woman was born as the result of a promise. These things may be taken figuratively, for the women represent two covenants. One covenant is from Mount Sinai and bears children who are to be slaves: This is Hagar. Now Hagar stands for Mount Sinai in Arabia and corresponds to the present city of Jerusalem, because she is in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written: "Be glad, O barren woman, who bears no children; break forth and cry aloud, you who have no labor pains; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband." Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. At that time the son born in the ordinary way persecuted the son born by the power of the Spirit. It is the same now. But what does the Scripture say? "Get rid of the slave woman and her son, for the slave woman's son will never share in the inheritance with the free woman's son." Therefore, brothers, we are not children of the slave woman, but of the free woman.

Reader:           The Word of the Lord.

All:                *Thanks be to God!*

## **Offering**

**Spotlight on Ministry**

Lawrenceville Co-Op Food Drive

## New Member Presentation

Second Service

Susan Herndon  
Lane Herndon

## Sacrament of Baptism

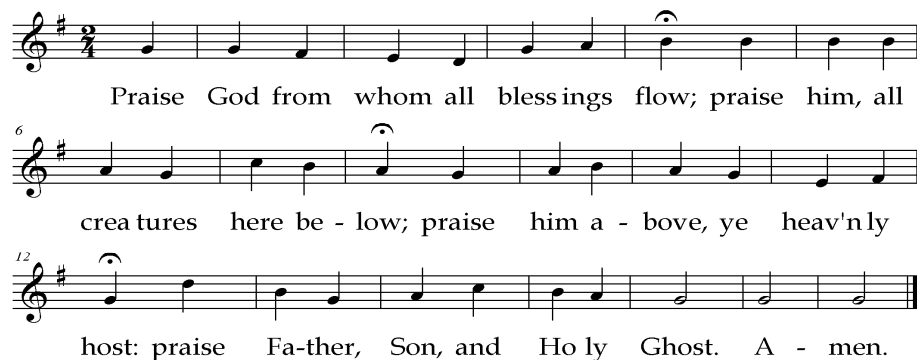
Second Service

Lane Herndon  
Stone Herndon

## Doxological Response

### The Old Hundredth

Lyrics: Thomas Ken, 1709; Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all  
crea tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'nly  
host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho ly Ghost. A - men.

## Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in[a] the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Reader: The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

All: Praise be to you, O Christ!

## Prayers of the People

(Please pray the italicized portions aloud together.)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Leader: Let us pray.

Father Eternal, God Almighty,

you have brought forth from the root of Jesse a shoot, Jesus our Savior.

*He is your anointed one, the promised Messiah, In him you are well pleased. We come to you in his service, To offer our prayers of intercession for the coming of his kingdom.*

Father Eternal,

You have anointed Jesus to be both Lord and Christ.

*We pray for the Church of Christ that she might be faithful to her Lord, bearing witness to his reign in every land among every people.*

[Pray for the protection and expansion of the Church in the world.]

Father Eternal,

You have anointed Jesus to be our Lord and Shepherd

*We pray for those whom you have made ministers of your gospel. We especially ask for your protection and help for our pastors.*

[Pray for those who proclaim the gospel of Christ.]

Father Eternal,

You have anointed Jesus to be Lord of all the earth.

*We pray that you draw all people to kneel before the Prince of Peace. We ask for you to bless the ministry of Bruce & Susan Young in Japan. Please establish justice and peace between nations in your world.*

[Pray for peace among the nations.]

Father Eternal,

You have anointed Jesus King of kings and Lord of lords.

*We pray for the rulers of our nation that they might be wise, fearing the Lord to whom they must bow in the world to come.*

[Pray for our political leaders.]

Father Eternal,

You have anointed Jesus a counselor and comforter of your people.

*We pray for those among us who suffer, For those who are lonely, For those without home or family, For those who are depressed and discouraged, For those who are seeking work, For those who are sick, For those who are grieving.*

[Pray for those who suffer.]

Praise, honor and glory belong to you, Eternal Father,  
And to your Son, who taught us to pray saying:  
*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

## Greeting of Peace

Leader: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. To this peace we are called as members of a single body. The peace of Christ be with you.  
All: *And also with you.*

At this time, during our 11:00 a.m. worship service, children, **four years-old through K5**, are invited to attend CHILDREN'S WORSHIP, a specially designed program to help train them for worship. Teachers will meet the children at the back of the auditorium and escort them to class. If you would like to keep your child(ren) with you in the auditorium during worship, we welcome you to do so.

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 54:1-17

<sup>1</sup> "Sing, O barren woman, you who never bore a child; burst into song, shout for joy, you who were never in labor; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband," says the LORD. <sup>2</sup> "Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. <sup>3</sup> For you will spread out to the right and to the left; your descendants will dispossess nations and settle in their desolate cities. <sup>4</sup> "Do not be afraid; you will not suffer shame. Do not fear disgrace; you will not be humiliated. You will forget the shame of your youth and remember no more the reproach of your widowhood. <sup>5</sup> For your Maker is your husband — the LORD Almighty is his name — the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer; he is called the God of all the earth. <sup>6</sup> The LORD will call you back as if you were a wife deserted and distressed in spirit — a wife who married young, only to be rejected," says your God. <sup>7</sup> "For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with deep compassion I will bring you back. <sup>8</sup> In a surge of anger I hid my face from you for a moment, but with

everlasting kindness I will have compassion on you," says the LORD your Redeemer. <sup>9</sup> "To me this is like the days of Noah, when I swore that the waters of Noah would never again cover the earth. So now I have sworn not to be angry with you, never to rebuke you again. <sup>10</sup> Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the LORD, who has compassion on you. <sup>11</sup> "O afflicted city, lashed by storms and not comforted, I will build you with stones of turquoise, your foundations with sapphires. <sup>12</sup> I will make your battlements of rubies, your gates of sparkling jewels, and all your walls of precious stones. <sup>13</sup> All your sons will be taught by the LORD, and great will be your children's peace. <sup>14</sup> In righteousness you will be established: Tyranny will be far from you; you will have nothing to fear. Terror will be far removed; it will not come near you. <sup>15</sup> If anyone does attack you, it will not be my doing; whoever attacks you will surrender to you. <sup>16</sup> "See, it is I who created the blacksmith who fans the coals into flame and forges a weapon fit for its work. And it is I who have created the destroyer to work havoc; <sup>17</sup> no weapon forged against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and this is their vindication from me," declares the LORD.

Minister:       The Word of the Lord.  
All:               *Thanks be to God!*

**Sermon**

Charles Garland

# The Table

## Confession of Faith

### The Apostles' Creed<sup>1</sup>

I believe in God, the Father Almighty maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell<sup>2</sup>. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church<sup>3</sup>, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

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<sup>1</sup>Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated in the 2nd century and developed into its present form by the 6th century.

<sup>2</sup>By referring to Jesus' descent into hell, the Christian embraces two truths. Firstly, Jesus received the full sentence of hell on behalf of his people while on the cross. Secondly, Jesus experienced the reign of death by remaining in the tomb after the crucifixion.

<sup>3</sup>The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographic or language barriers.

## Invitation and Prayer

[Communion, also called The Lord's Supper or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers provided as guidelines. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.]

## Words of Institution

Minister: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!*

Minister: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## The Giving of the Bread and Cup

[As you are ready please come forward to receive the bread and the cup. The goblet with the ribbon contains non-alcoholic grape juice for those who do not wish to drink wine. We partake in the Supper by intinction, that is, we dip the bread into the cup.]

## Communion Hymn

### Abide With Me

Lyrics: Henry Lyte, 1847; Music: Justin Smith, 2007

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'A - bide with me; \_\_\_ fast falls the e - ven - tide; The dark ness deep - ens; Lord with me a - bide. When oth - er help - ers, fail and com - forts flee, Help of the help - less, a - bide with me.'

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;  
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,  
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee,  
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?  
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;  
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness.  
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?  
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;  
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

# Hymn of Response

## And Can It Be That I Should Gain

Lyrics: Charles Wesley, 1738; Music: Thomas Campbell, 1825

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The lyrics are: 'And can it be that I should gain an in - t'rest in the Sav-ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pur - sued? A - mazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? A - mazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?' The word 'REFRAIN' is written above the 24th measure.

'Tis myst'ry all! The'Immortal dies; who can explore his strange design  
In vain the first born seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.

'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more. [REFRAIN]

He left His Father's throne above, so free so infinite His grace!  
Humbled Himself so great His love, and bled for all His chosen race!

'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God it found out me. [REFRAIN]

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night.  
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray, I woke, the dungeon flamed with light.  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. [REFRAIN]

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine.  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own. [REFRAIN]

## **Benediction**

## **Postlude**

### **READINGS FOR 02/07/10 - 02/14/10**

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- 02/07 - Genesis 40; Mark 10 ; Job 6; Romans 10
- 02/08 - Genesis 41; Mark 11 ; Job 7; Romans 11
- 02/09 - Genesis 42; Mark 12 ; Job 8; Romans 12
- 02/10 - Genesis 43; Mark 13 ; Job 9; Romans 13
- 02/11 - Genesis 44; Mark 14 ; Job 10; Romans 14
- 02/12 - Genesis 45; Mark 15 ; Job 11; Romans 15
- 02/13 - Genesis 46; Mark 16 ; Job 12; Romans 16
- 02/14 - Genesis 47; Luke1:1-38 ; Job 13; 1 Corinthians 1

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## Ivy Creek Currents

### Summer Mission's Trip to Clarkston:

Week of the Trip: June 21st-25th, 2010.

- This trip to Clarkston is open to EVERYONE in the church. Any student, who will be in Middle School next fall or Younger, will need at least one parent to commit to going with them on the trip.
- Sign-up will be next Sunday, February 14.

### Women's Retreat: Register at the Events Kisok! Discount deadline is TODAY.

#### Gospel Man Conference

Friday & Saturday March 5, 6, 2010

Ivy Creek men receive the reduced group rate. SIGN UP SOON at: <http://thegospelman.com>

#### Bi-Annual Lawrenceville Co-Op Food Drive

TODAY

Ivy Creek will have a special food drive today and again during the summer. These are times when donations are historically low and the co-op is in need of extra support to provide for those in our community.

Currently 40,000 items of food are distributed every month to families that need our help. Non-perishable food items can be left in the lobby or in the pick-up truck, parked near the front doors today. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

#### Women's Ministry Annual Meeting

Monday, February 22, 7:30PM

All Ivy Creek women are invited to the annual women's ministry meeting coming up on Monday, February 22 at 7:30 at Jan Chilton's house (2791 Springrock Way in Lawrenceville). We have several different committees, so there is a place for everyone to use their gifts and serve. If you are at all interested in serving on the women's ministry, please come! If you have questions please contact Bethany Ficks [blficks@aol.com](mailto:blficks@aol.com).

#### Women's Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tuesday morning, 9:30 – 11:15AM

We are studying the book of Hebrews. Childcare is available.

#### Women's Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Tuesday evening, 7:00 PM

We are studying a John Piper book/DVD called *Seeing and Savoring Jesus Christ*. Study guides are available for free online at [www.desiringGod.org](http://www.desiringGod.org) or can be purchased for \$10. For more information contact: Elaine Dolan [elainedolan@gmail.com](mailto:elainedolan@gmail.com) or Rosie Witherspoon [rosiewitherspoon@gmail.com](mailto:rosiewitherspoon@gmail.com).

#### DCCA Informational Meeting

February 18, 7:00 PM

Dominion Classical Christian Academy will host a Family Informational Meeting to provide more information about the school (which meets at Ivy Creek Church). Childcare is available, but you must R.S.V.P. to the DCCA Office at 770-338-7945 by Wednesday, February 17. For more information about Dominion, visit [www.dominionclassical.org](http://www.dominionclassical.org).

#### NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TERM

February 14th – March 21st

The new Adult Sunday School term begins next Sunday morning. Two classes will meet at the Ivy House: SURVEY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT taught by Dr. Roy Taylor & GOSPEL-BASED PARENTING taught by Brian & Lorrie Deringer and Bruce & Susan Young. Classes meet from 10 – 10:45 a.m.

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FIND A COMPLETE CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT [WWW.IVYCREEK.ORG](http://WWW.IVYCREEK.ORG).

*Biblical references, unless otherwise noted, are taken from the Holy Bible: New International Version (NIV).*

*Music: Most historic hymns are public domain.*

*Recent praise songs are printed under Ivy Creek Church's CCLI License #836400.*

Weekly updates...



**February Events:**

**SLAM – Wednesdays: 10th, 17th and 24th**

6:00pm-8:30pm, Snack provided

**Box Land – 27th**

**D-Groups – 14th and 28th; 6:00pm-8:00pm**

*If you would like to learn more about ICC Student Ministries, feel free to call Scott Bull at 770-962-9600 ext. 103 or Melissa Perry at 770-962-9600 ext. 101 or visit us on the web at [www.ivycreekstudents.org](http://www.ivycreekstudents.org).*

**FINANCES AT-A-GLANCE**

**Ivy Creek Church  
Financial Report Through 12/31/2009 (Period 4 of 12)**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Receipts	\$ 245,710	\$ 351,519	\$ (105,809)
Expenses	\$ 298,437	\$ 298,909	\$ (472)
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (52,727)	\$ 52,609	\$ (105,336)

**Commentary:**

Our expenditures have been in line with the budget thus far. However, giving has been \$105,809 lower than expected. Please continue to pray for our church finances.

The full Ivy Creek Treasurer's Report is available for review upon request from the church office.