

Consider this...

By John Palmer

As I write this it is Valentine's Day and most people are celebrating love and romance. This year it's a little different since Yonnie will be gone all weekend and said flowers were impractical. (That's why I love her!!) We'll probably do our Valentine's celebration next week.

But as the world is buying flowers at inflated prices, chocolate they don't really need or want, and going out to dinners they may not be able to afford, it strikes me that culture is powerful.

Holidays are contrived. Customs have little real significance. We don't even know where some beliefs come from. And yet we scramble to participate with everyone else. Why? Because cultural norms are powerful, even for people of faith.

We can overcome culture (and I'm not talking about refusing to buy Valentines, here). But it will be difficult. It will take a great deal of explanation. It will require us to accept that some will simply think we're strange.

But in essence, isn't that what Christianity is about? The Greek word often translated as "church" literally means "assembly," or "people." It refers to those who have been called out of society and called into the Kingdom of God. By virtue of becoming Christians, we have professed our willingness and our desire to be different.

All we have to do is remember that...especially when culture is waging war against our faith. Buying a valentine probably won't do much spiritual damage. But there are more important fights we'll want to win!



Today—Leadership Meeting
(Elders, Deacons, Preachers),
4:30 pm in fellowship hall.

Tuesday—Ladies' Bible Class, 9:30 am
Spanish Language Ladies' Bible Class,
6:30 pm

Wednesday—Family Fun Night, 6:00 pm
March 3rd—Blood Drive, 7:30am—2:00pm See
Kevin Coffee for Details

Next Sunday—4th Sunday Classes during the
evening assembly. Fellowship & "Star
Party follow (telescopes needed!)

Members

Sylvia Alexander,
Tonya Brinson, Gail
Fleischer, Suzy Font,

Anna Gontko, Iris Holt, Felicia Jackson, Paul &
Gloria Ledbetter, Dania McDaniel, Vince
Tomaselli, Art Olafsen, Maria Pena, Sherrod-
Villverde family,

Friends & Relatives

Carmen & Calixto Font (Mike Font); Rosey Mae Coffee
(Kevin Coffee); Wylie, Izzie, Margie, Pat Lowhorn, (Mira
Waters); Bethany & David (Margie Beasley); Jay Arnold
(Stephanie Horton, former member); Janie Ford (Cheri
Lamb); Pamela Fuller (Francina Jackson); Vann, Joyce,
Sandy (Hazel Montoya), Sean Cassidy (19 stitches), An-
nette Reeder (Pat Wilson's sister-in-law)

Military Service

Christopher Barnhart, Tim Davis, Ryan Downs, Phillip
Gundlach, Rems Keane, Steven Sohn



Griffin Road Youth Program

Today the youth will continue their study on evidences of God. Eddie Capiro is now leading class for our middle and high school teens. Today they are learning about the many fallacies of evolution that are never talked about in the schools that educated them. Through this study Romans 1:20 is more evident than ever. *"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse."*

Please remember that this Wednesday is our 2nd Family Fun Night. This event is intended for the families of our youth program. Bring the whole family and enjoy this time designed for families. Family Fun Night is the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm at the church building. Thank You

Brad Poyet

What's Happening Elsewhere

Feb. 15-17: Gospel Meeting, Hialeah Church of Christ, Br. Mike Hixson of Olive Branch, MS.

March 3-6: Faulkner Lectureship: "The Battle for the Minds of Men"

June 22-28: Central Florida Bible Camp week

July 10-19: Tentative dates for Peru Trip

July 24-27: Spiritual Growth Workshop

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The Record

For the Week of February 10, 2008

	2007	2008
1st Service	74	82
2nd Service	110	115
3rd Service	54	63
Total	<u>238</u>	<u>260</u>
Sunday Class	120	N/A
Mid Week Class	70	105
Contribution		\$5975

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Our Mission

To make disciples by:

Loving God and our neighbors...

Seeking and saving the lost...

Serving others....

Our Vision

The Griffin Road Church of Christ shall be a multi-cultural family of loving ambassadors all wholly committed to spiritual maturity and joyful service.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

- 8:30 am Worship
- 9:30 am Bible Class
- 10:30 am Worship
- 12:00 pm Spanish Worship
- 6:00 pm Worship

Tuesday

- 9:30 am Ladies' Bible Class
- 6:30 pm Ladies' Bible Class (Spanish)

Wednesday

- 7:15 pm Bible Study

Other Activities

- Prayer Meetings, 9:00 am each 1st Saturday
- Leadership team meets, 4:30 pm each 3rd Sunday
- Family Fun Night for Youth & Parents, 6:00 pm each 3rd Wednesday

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Weekly Bulletin

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If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.

John 8:31

