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A Message from our Senior Pastor



For nine weeks, beginning January 4, I will be preaching from the New Testament letter to the Colossians in my new sermon series, “Christ as

the Fullness of God.” We will examine the letter in its entirety and find ways to grow together as the people of God.

The letter to the Colossians is written to a young church in Colossae that is enthusiastic about the faith, but in danger of building their congregation on bad theology. The letter sought to bring wisdom, inspire the congregation, and move them back onto solid theological footing. The series will help us examine our daily lives and whether or not we are following God as we should.

It should be a great jumpstart for us to transform our relationships with God, this congregation, and our families. Isn't this a great winter exercise for us during this time of renewal and new beginnings?

As we consider the Fullness of God in these coming weeks, I hope you will join me on Sunday mornings as we affirm these central tenets of our faith.

Dr. Charles Qualls

ATL Group to Lead Wednesday Night Presentations

The ATL Group will host a series of sessions in January focused on Second-Ponce de Leon and its future. Please join us at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for these important presentations:

- **January 14** – The State of Buckhead and Midtown and Potential Impacts to Second-Ponce, led by the ATL Group
- **January 21** – Quarterly Church Conference
- **January 28** – Review of Potential SPdL God-Sized Initiatives and Proposed Path Forward, led by the ATL Group



Questions? Please contact Jeff Messer (messers1@comcast.net).

Try Marriage Enrichment ‘Tune Ups’ for Couples

Dr. Charles Qualls, Associate Pastor, is offering marriage enrichment sessions for couples. In just five brief sessions, Charles will guide couples through a private “Enrich” experience similar to his popular program he shares with a dozen pre-marital couples each year.

So, is marriage enrichment for you? It is if:

- *You want to make a good marriage better.* Most groups and studies won't save the marriage already in crisis. But, you can gain perspective that will help you find greater health and balance before you get to crisis.
- *You'd like a tune-up to see if there are growth areas to work on.* There's always something to learn, and there is no perfect marriage. Risk the investment of time.
- *You've realized that married love is work.* There is no short cut to a healthy home. Marriage enrichment will help you to discover skills that will serve you well.
- *You're in a committed relationship and both of you are willing to venture together in a few weeks of discovery.* It does take two to do good enrichment.

A marriage needs a good support system. Did you know:

- There are at least six “intimacies” that a healthy marriage will enjoy in delicate balance. They include the one you think, and more!
- There are at least seven vital signs and seven warning signs to heed in marriage. Do you know what they are?
- You have power in determining the satisfaction level you and your spouse share. Come get reacquainted with it.

With questions, or to sign up, contact Charles (404.591.4341 or cqualls@spdl.org).

**everyone
knows ONE**

One neighbor, one co-worker, a family member or a friend – we all have that person who would be here if we invited them. Reach out today! With the upcoming new session of SPdL U and Dr. Hollingsworth's new sermon series, it's the perfect time to invite someone to church!

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 11

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:20 p.m. Master Ringers Rehearsal
5:00 p.m. Deacon Ordination

Tuesday, January 13

9:30 a.m. Preschool Moms Fellowship

Wednesday, January 14

5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper
5:30 p.m. Music & Missions
6:00 p.m. ATL Group Presentation
6:00 p.m. Project 4:12
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Friday, January 16

8:00 a.m. Youth Ski Trip

Sunday, January 18

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:20 p.m. Master Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 20

6:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, January 21

5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper
5:30 p.m. Music & Missions
6:00 p.m. Project 4:12
6:15 p.m. Church Conference
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Get Your Event in the 2015 Calendar

Make sure to book your planned events for the new church year on the Church Calendar by contacting Tiffany Baumstark (404.591.4351 or tbaumstark@spdl.org). Don't forget about upcoming Sunday School luncheons and other regularly scheduled meetings and rehearsals.

TV SERVICE TIMES

AIB Network
Our schedule is twice a week:
Monday, 8-9 p.m.
Sunday, 11 a.m.-noon
Questions? Call AIB at 404.892.0454.

You can also watch our worship services on our YouTube Channel.
www.youtube.com/secondponce



AMONG OUR MEMBERS

IN LOVING MEMORY

Esther Bailey
December 25, 2014

Dr. Sterling Richardson
December 30, 2014

CONGRATULATIONS

Pete and Kelly Fierro,
in the birth of their daughter,
Caroline Frances Fierro,
on December 17, 2014.

STAFF UPDATES

Second-Ponce bids farewell to Lisa Jones, who served as Director of Publications. SPdL would like to thank Lisa for her service to the church for the past 10 years and wish her well in future opportunities.

Help Those in Need with January Food Drive



A bag of groceries can make a huge difference to a family in financial crisis. Support Buckhead Christian Ministry's Food Bank by purchasing food for our **January** food drive. Pick up lists in the Welcome Center.

Place your donations in the green bin at the Welcome Center, or make a financial donation by check payable to SPdL or BCM with "BCM food drive" in the memo line.

Like Second-Ponce de Leon on Facebook. Keep up with the latest Second-Ponce news and updates by liking us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/secondponce.



in the know

SPdL U returns in February ~ A popular teacher in our SPdL U Wednesday night program returns as Dr. Nancy deClaissé-Walford leads our next session. Last year, Nancy taught a full house! This time, we'll explore "Pentateuch: The Bible's First 5 Books." Join us on five Wednesdays beginning **February 4** at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Registration is now open at www.spdl.org/spdlu.

Online Giving ~ It's easy to set up an account via your mobile device or on your computer. You can set up a secure automatic recurring donation or do a one-time gift to the church fund(s) of your choice. To give, visit www.easytith.com/secondponce.

MENUS

Wednesday, January 14
Baked ziti with meatballs & sausage
marinara, salad,
garlic bread & mini desserts
Children's Menu: Spaghetti and
meatballs, garlic bread & fruit

Wednesday, January 21
Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes,
green beans, salad,
rolls & apple cobbler
Children's Menu: Chicken fingers,
mashed potatoes, fruit & dessert

Cost: \$7/adult. Children's meals (ages 12 and under) are \$3.50/child.

QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE:
Wednesday, January 21, at 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

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