



“On the Edge”

March 10, 2010

“If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor.” John 12:26

God is at work! This brand new year has brought the joy of serving the Lord to River’s Edge. We see God at work all around us with new families joining the congregation and new ministries sprouting up to serve our community. Following the Lord Jesus has been our focus as we have begun a year of sacrifice unto God. Everyone is working hard to share their faith and make an impact upon our world with the love of Jesus Christ. Thanks for all your service to the Lord and get ready, God has just begun this work in us! **Remember that this Sunday, March 14th**, we begin the **Reality Series** for the next seven weeks. Every adult and teenager will receive the 40 Day Experience Study Guide in which we will discover the **Seven Realities of Experiencing God**. You don’t want to miss any of the next seven weeks. I promise the Lord will transform the way you think about knowing Him and discovering His will for your life. You will study the realities in personal devotions each day, study them in the Sunday School Small Group time each Sunday morning, and I will preach the biblical passages that talk about the seven realities during the sermon time each week.

Do you want purpose for living?.....Be in church the next seven weeks!

Spring Forward this Weekend! Remember to **set your clocks forward one hour** this Saturday night, **March 13th**, so you won’t be late for church on Sunday! Don’t live under a rock and say you forgot! Pastor Stephen has just reminded you! Spring forward this Saturday!

Thank you for the Buckets of Hope! I appreciate your ministry to the people of Haiti as we put together the Buckets of Hope project. I’m sorry for the time confusion about when they needed to be ready. I had to scramble to get the right information and get our buckets to the designated drop off point. Thanks to Amos and Martha for dropping our buckets at the warehouse in Macon where they will begin their journey to the families of Haiti. Because you cared, 7 more families will be fed in the weeks to come.

Our Easter Schedule begins on **Sunday, March 28th on Palm Sunday**. **This will also be Awana Day at River’s Edge**. On this Sunday, we will continue to remember the triumph

and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus and also celebrate how God is blessing through the Awana ministry. On **April 4th, Resurrection Day** (commonly known as Easter), we will begin with our celebration with the **Sunrise Service at the Suwanee Town Center**. Then breakfast will be served at **8:30 am at the church building**. **Bible Study is at 9:30 am** and our **Worship Service is at 10:45 am**. Please let your friends know and take the opportunity to invite people to share in the Easter celebration. This will be our first Easter time in this building. Let's make the most of it!

The Angel Food Ministry is going well and I appreciate everyone's help. Kristen Ryan is doing a terrific job leading the work. Our next distribution day is **Saturday, March 20th**. **Team B is serving on this day**. The ordering deadline is **Tuesday, March 16th at 5:00 pm**.

Work Day at the building will be **Saturday, April 17th beginning at 8:00 am**. We have a lot of Spring cleaning on the outside and inside to do on this day. Put this date on your calendars now and please help us get the facility in top shape.

Reality Revival Weekend is April 24-25, 2010. This will be the conclusion of our Reality Series and we will welcome two very gifted guest preachers for this event. Dr Barry Crocker from Cumming Baptist Church will preach on **Saturday, April 24th at 6:00 pm** and Rev. Butch Butcher, Church Planting Specialist from the Georgia Baptist Convention will be preaching on **Sunday, April 25th at 10:45 am**. On Sunday night, **April 25th, at 6:00 pm**, I will be preaching at the **Westside Baptist Church in Snellville** to help them kick off their Spring Revival Services. Please make your plans to be here for these two important days of study, celebration, and challenge!

God is at work at River's Edge!

I love you all and will see you Sunday!

Pastor Stephen