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2009 RECORDS	JAN 10
BIBLE SCHOOL	134
10:20 A.M. WORSHIP	275
5:00 P.M. WORSHIP	91

2009 RESPONSES	JAN 10	YTD
BAPTISMS	-	-
PLACED MEMBERSHIP	-	-
PRAYER/RESTORED	4	15
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*Inspired Invincibility*

*"Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me."*

Matthew 11:29

"Whom the Lord loveth, He chasteneth." How petty our complaining is! Our Lord begins to bring us into the place where we can have communion with Him, and we groan and say - "O Lord, let me be like other people!" Jesus is asking us to take one end of the yoke - "My yoke is easy, get alongside Me and we will pull together." Are you identified with the Lord Jesus like that? If so, you will thank God for the pressure of His hand.

"To them that have no might He increaseth strength." God comes and takes us out of our sentimentality, and our complaining turns into a paean of praise. The only way to know the strength of God is to take the yoke of Jesus upon us and learn of Him.

"The joy of the Lord is your strength." Where do the saints get their joy from? If we did not know some saints, we would say - "Oh, he, or she, has nothing to bear." Lift the veil. The fact that the peace and the light and the joy of God are there is proof that the burden is there too. The burden God places squeezes the grapes and out comes the wine; most of us see the wine only. No power on earth or in hell can conquer the Spirit of God in a human spirit, it is an inner unconquerableness.

If you have the whine in you, kick it out ruthlessly. It is a positive crime to be weak in God's strength.

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SUNDAY		WEDNESDAY	THIRD SATURDAY	WEBSITE	FAX/E-MAIL
WORSHIP 10:20 A.M. 5:00 P.M.	BIBLE SCHOOL 9 A.M.	BIBLE CLASS 10 A.M. 7 P.M.	PRAYER /BREAKFAST/ BUSINESS MEETING 7, 8 & 9 A.M.	normcoc.org	(323) 750-5180 normcoc@speakeasy.net

## The Pilot

Pilots live with two truths:

One day, s/he will walk out to the aircraft knowing that it is the last flight. One day, s/he will walk out to the aircraft not knowing that it is the last flight.

So, what about this pilot's flight? Well, it is the age of the Cold War. The United States and Russia are engaged in a deadly dance to the ticking tune of nuclear weapons. The pilot's mission is to fly an Air Force B-52 Stratofortress Bomber over Russia, and, if given the order, release the two 20 megaton nuclear bombs. If you are thinking that this would be suicide- you are right. However, not on this night. He is the third pilot on a different mission tonight. Unfortunately, things go awry. The Stratofortress experiences structural failure. The left wing breaks off necessitating the release of the two nuclear weapons. Similar to the 1961 B-52 crash in California, the B-52 Stratofortress crashes in the U.S. on the east coast. The pilot sustains minor injuries. Three crew members are dead.

Today, the pilot walks comfortably between the two truths that border knowing and not knowing. He understands Psalm 56:13 intimately,

For thou hast delivered my soul from death,  
yea, my feet from falling,  
that I may walk before God  
in the light of life.

Many of us lost loved ones last year and some of you saw the New Year come in with tears. People are sitting in the pews struggling with personal afflictions. Yet, God desires for you to be on this side of heaven. Like the pilot, you are here to walk before God in the light of life. There are three maneuvers you must practice in order to accomplish your mission. One, know the *Pilot-in-command*, Christ, who is your example. Then you will be armed with everything you need for life and godliness (2 Peter 1:1-15). Two, be well-versed with the *Procedures Manual* which is the Bible. The maneuvers will perfect your walk as a workman without shame who is approved by God (2 Tim. 2:1-26). Three, monitor the conditions on your *Path* and make necessary adjustments. You should be walking in step with the Spirit, avoiding turbulence of the sinful nature while harvesting the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:16-26).

The world perceives the incongruous knowing and not knowing of life as unbearable at times. They grope for something, anything, in a darkened room. The light of your life is the illumination needed in this darkened room. Your light illuminates Christ. In 2010, take time to learn from this pilot. Establish a personal relationship with the *Pilot-in-command*, read well the *Procedures Manual* and frequently check the conditions on your *Path*. You are here.

*Walk before God in the Light of Life*

Heart on Fire,

TD Gayles (the pilot's daughter)

<http://Aboutfacts.net/Weapons36.htm>



### RESPONSES/ASKED PRAYER JANUARY 10

Anita Abner needs special prayer for her household and niece Breonna Council...Doris Brandon needs special prayer for travel...Special prayer for Betty Joy Davis, she will be having surgery...Frances Hall needs special prayer.

## Figueroa Christian Women's Symposium XXII January 30—January 31, 2010

"Finding Freedom Through FORGIVENESS"  
Ephesians 4:13—32 & John 8:31-32

Keynote Speaker: Sheila Bost, MS & MFT

Youth Keynote Speaker: Stacey Evans-Morgan

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Registration Fee \$25.00

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Invites you to its

Annual Carroll Awards Program & Luncheon

Theme: Celebrating Our NCS

Part II-Remembering & Recognizing NCS Graduates

Saturday, February 6, 2010

11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

(No lunch will be served after 1:00 p.m.)

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Please RSVP by January 31, 2010

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9,855

### OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

The family of E. W. & Geraldine Singletary, whose nephew, Harvey Griffin, passed in Texas recently.

The family of Austin Outlaw, a member of the Eastside church of Christ, who passed recently.

### SICK & SHUT-IN

"And, the prayer of faith shall save the sick..." James 5:15

Cecily Allen...Morris Bailey, Sr...Bennie Bellfiell...Bobbie Chapman...Delores Davis...Victoria Dias...Jennie Drake...Geneva Ensley...Wendell & Earlee Greene...Carver Henderson...Geneva Jenkins...Clem & Gladys Long...Arnene Mangram...Jeri Monterio...E. W. Singletary...Lucille Smith...Marion Thomas...Leonard Williams.