



# The Beacon

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## Christmas Decorating Chili/Soup Cook Off

**TONIGHT**  
at 6:00PM

We're accepting donations of  
gold or white  
Ornaments

## Let's Get Together!

**Live Streaming**

### Sunday Mornings

Covenant Café 8:30am

Sunday School—8:45am—9:45am

**Book of Exodus** with Mike Folsom in

The Oasis Fellowship Hall

**JOY CARRIERS** with Danny Copeland in  
Room 8

Pre-Service Prayer—9:45am

**Main Event Worship Service 10:00am**

### Wednesday Night

We're Live-Streaming & Meeting in person!

**6:00pm –8:30pm** Decorating the church / Chili-  
cook off and soup cook off!

**6:30pm** - Folsom Home Group:

Moultrie, Ga (*dinner and study included*)

### Thursday Noon

**Silver Saints Lunch**—Oasis



## Silver Saints Dinner

Tomorrow at Noon  
Oasis



# *Christmas Poinsettia's*

*\$7.00 each*



*Poinsettia's are available for purchase. See Mary Lynn if you would like to designate one to be placed in the sanctuary for Christmas "In Memory or Honor" of a loved one. Please fill out the bulletin insert this Sunday.*

Make checks payable to  
New Covenant Church  
Memo: Poinsettia



Giving online is simple and easy!

To contribute tithes and offerings, simply download the Vanco App (Give+) on your mobile device. Enter the zip code **31757**. This will take you to the church website.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the church office.

# Let's Party!

NCC Annual Christmas Drop-In

Sunday December 13  
4:00pm

Pastors Dave & Alli's home  
*Please bring a finger food!*

1103 W. Harris Street Pavo, 31778

# Let's Pray!

Daniel & Gwen Gaines  
Willie Brooks  
Jacqui Winkelmann  
Bill Myers  
Mike & Judy's niece  
Bishop Hamon  
Harold Plaggens—  
(Pastor Dave's Granddad)  
America



# Happy Birthday!

Loretha Threadcraft December 5  
Tscharner Sinquefield December 29



## From the Desk of Pastor Dave *It's time to Occupy!*



This past Sunday, I preached a message regarding what I believe is the Church's responsibility until the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. It's important that we see the 7 mountains of our culture as our mission fields. They shape and disciple nations. Have you considered that earthly natural mountains have a narrow top and a broad base. This is also true of the 7 mountains of our culture. Just to review what these specific mountains are, I'll list them for your review...

*Government*

*Media*

*Religion*

*Family*

*Sports & Entertainment*

*Education*

*Business*

The tops of these mountains are made up of a remnant of gatekeeper elites which are relatively small groups of people that occupy the high places of influence. They are supported by dense, overlapping networks of gatekeeper elites. They include decisions on everything from what songs will be popular this week to what news stories play in the media and what laws will get passed.

During our lifetime we have witnessed subtle and at times overt attempts by ungodly leaders influencing and shaping these mountains away from Biblical principals. As members of the Body of Christ, we must recognize that we have been given a commission and have been anointed as God's ambassadors in these mountains and at the gates. We can no longer just settle in with the mentality that we exist to simply be a witness and wait for Jesus return.

The Body of Christ has been given a wonderful assignment to engage in the battles for our culture that the Kingdom of God would be advanced. This is why we must understand the importance of seeing Biblical transformation take place within each of these mountains. In all of the mountains, the higher up a person goes, and the more involved they are, the more prestige, credibility, and influence they possess. This is where we as the Church must begin to penetrate. We are the people who are supposed to protect the territory

we are assigned to occupy until Jesus returns. Jesus says in Matthew 16:18 MSG ...

***"You are Peter, a rock. This is the rock on which I will put together my church, a church so expansive with energy that not even the gates of hell will be able to keep it out."***

Peter received the revelation of who Jesus is. Jesus asked his disciples who they thought he was. Jesus reply to Peter was, that upon the revelation (the rock) which came from Father God, Peter knew who Jesus was, and upon that revelation, his victorious Church would be established. Not even the gates of hell could stop it or destroy it! The gates of hell are the counsels of darkness aligning themselves with earthly rulers in order to exercise their will on the earth.

There are times that we put too much attention on our battle with spiritual forces and miss the fact that this conflict is working through human will. The gates of hell are the counsels of darkness that influence people to materials hell on earth. These agendas are worked out through earthly rulers and those who are empowered at the gates of influence. This is why we see God calling His people to see ourselves being part of a city set on a hill. We are called to be the head and not the tail. Above and not beneath. Godly, Christian influence is needed in the high places of the mountains. This is where salt and light are most effective. It is the history of Reformation in Europe and the Great Awakening's influence in America. Our call is to rule in the midst of our enemies, and not withdraw to a safe distance. The Church has been given powerful keys of authority to bind and to loose. We call these keys, keys to the Kingdom. These keys are tools we use to fulfill Jesus prayer which in part says, "thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

The Church is not the Kingdom. We've been given the keys to the Kingdom. There's a difference. Hearing God's voice and walking with God is essential to advancing righteousness within our sphere of influence. We have been commissioned to answer the call of the Great Commission. Churches that fail to take this seriously will one day be decommissioned. This is our time to face the forces of darkness on all 7 mountains of influence. It's "righteousness that exalts a nation" We want honesty, integrity and truth to prevail. Let's continue to occupy til Jesus returns!