



The Living God Ministries, Inc.

Montgomery & Spanish Fort, Alabama

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Warm hellos to you dear brethren, co-workers, and spiritual family here on the Coast of the Gulf of Mexico, and scattered children of God.

My wife and I pray and hope this finds you all doing well, and that again your week has been blessed!

My wife and I have just returned home after having an encouraging, uplifting and inspiring Feast of Tabernacles and Eighth Day in Montgomery, Alabama. We spent a couple days in Fort Walton Beach afterwards with a couple meetings and some time to relax and reflect on what we had learned and experienced at God's Feast.

What to think of Halloween?

One of the first things we noticed upon returning home to our subdivision where we live in Spanish Fort was the lawn decorations for my least favorite time of year, Halloween. There were some huge balloon type decorations that were some of the largest I have ever seen. Every year they seem to get bigger and more intricate.

I had to think, what do most people today "think" of Halloween? In fact, I have to wonder if they think about it at all, or just simply continue on in their daily lives, and it's just another holiday in the progression of the year, and all good fun. Right? Wrong!

Parents dress their young children as vampires, devils, zombies, witches, goblins and the like and then send them out to approach homes of often complete strangers to ask for candy and other goodies.

Homes are decorated with various sorts and images of everything one can imagine to turn their homes for a few days into replicas of graveyards, morgues, or similar gruesome areas with an oversite of death and decay and mayhem.

My email inbox has been inundated with various companies using this holiday to focus for use in increasing sales, and revenue.

Why is all this so popular? Do we stop and think, or even ask where these Godless customs came from? Does it matter?

Just as with Easter or Christmas we can trace the beginnings of Halloween back to pagan origins in ancient history.

Rather than go into great detail here in this Friday evening letter, I'll simply ask us all to do some research, dig into your history books, and especially your Bible and see where this came from and then also see if this is something God supports, created, designed or even thought of for you and me as Christians to be taking part of. Is this next Thursday, October 31 a day we should be involved in any way with this holiday?

I'll be giving a sermon tomorrow on this very topic to those who wish to connect with *The Living God Ministries* live services via telephone..."Halloween & the Garden of Eden...Coincidence?" There is a master mind behind this evil holiday...no surprise there...hope you'll join in and listen, I promise you it will clearly show what God's approach is to this day.

...as I close this letter, as I do every Friday evening...as we enter His Sabbath...reflect on this with me, will you?

And again, may God continue to richly bless you. Our prayers and thoughts are with you daily. Please do pray for us as well.

-**Scott Hoefker** (Pastor and wife (Gayle) *The Living God Ministries Gulf Coast*)

The schedule for this week's Sabbath is:

October 25th / Friday: Evening Praise Sacrifice to welcome God's Sabbath 6:30 pm (via Teleconference live connect with Stephen Glover and Friends.)

October 26th / Saturday: Spirit and Truth Worship Services 10:15 am, with services held in **Montgomery and Spanish Fort** with the message by Scott Hoefker. (All others are welcomed and encouraged to connect live to Worship Services via our normal phone conference). *A noon lunch will be held in Spanish Fort shortly after services end.

October 26th / Saturday: Sabbath Fellowship (Interactive Bible Discussion) **4:00 pm** from **Montgomery** with Stephen Glover and friends. (Connecting live with all via telephone conference).

Next Sabbath's Schedule:

November 1st / Friday: Evening Praise Sacrifice 6:30 pm (via Teleconference live connect with Stephen Glover and Friends.)

November 2nd / Saturday: Spirit and Truth Worship Services 10:15 a.m., with local services held in **Montgomery** with a message by Whit Moorer (All are welcome and encouraged to connect live to Worship Services via our normal phone conference).

Local services for **Spanish Fort** this Sabbath will *combine* in Mobile with the *Church of God Mobile, Sabbath Day* starting at 10:00 a.m. A potluck noon meal will follow.

November 2nd / Saturday: Sabbath Fellowship (interactive Bible Discussion) 4:00 pm *from Spanish Fort* with Scott Hoefker (connect live to all others via telephone conference).

Telephone Ministry (English): Call **1-712-770-4700**; then, when asked, enter Code **112165 #** to join.

(Note: All callers are muted and must press *6 to comment and *6 to resume mute.)

All times are listed in Central Standard Time zone.

Our Daily Bread Recordings

Sunday through Saturday / Our Daily Bread [listen anytime 24/7 to a recorded 15 minute message] Call 1-712-770-4709 (note this call in number is different and ends in "9"), then when asked, enter code 112165# [reference code numbers are on "Spiritual Fellowship Opportunities" on this website <http://www.tlgministriesgc.org> or at "Resources/Archives" on <http://www.haggai114.net>]

Daily Fellowship Opportunities

Sunday – Friday / **Morning Sacrifice** (Prayers & Scripture Reading) at 6:00 a.m.

Sundays / **History & Background of the Gospels** (Interactive) at 6:30 p.m. [Scott & Friends]

Mondays / Africa Discipleship at 7:00 a.m. [Glovers & Moses]

Almond Branch Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. (Interactive) (Stephen & Friends)

Tuesdays / **Haggai Fellowship** (Interactive) at 6:30 p.m. (Interactive) [Stephen & Friends]

Wednesdays / Africa Discipleship at 7:00 a.m. [Glovers & Moses]

1st & 3rd Wednesday / **Sons of God Fellowship** (Young men training) at 6:30 p.m. [Stephen & Friends]

2nd & 4th Wednesday / **Lydian's Fellowship** (Ladies) at 6:30 p.m. [Esther/Gayle & Friends]

Thursdays / **Mt. Carmel Fellowship** (Interactive) at 6:30 p.m. [Hoefkers & Friends]

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