

GT MEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE



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Regular Season Ends



Our final regular season week gave us the great privilege of having Pastor Steve Pawley join us and deliver the half-time message. Steve shared how speaking to you men of the Men's Flag Football League is a highlight of his speaking engagements each year. Steve brought up the account when Jesus was crucified. We reflected back to when Jesus hung there upon the cross, a man totally innocent of any wrongdoing. There He was nailed to the tree in front of a large crowd that mocked and cursed the very creator of the universe. While Jesus hung there beaten just short of death, the soldiers gambled for the pieces of clothing they ripped off of Him. On each side of Jesus, was a thief that was being justly crucified. They also joined in on mocking and reviling Jesus. For some unknown reason one of the thieves changed. He realized that the man he was reviling, the man that was nailed to a cross next to him, bleeding, and beaten beyond recognition, was in fact God. Almost beyond comprehension, this guilty thief, who was also being crucified, came to a crucial realization. He realized that Jesus was who He said He was. The thief made a decision that changed his destiny for all eternity. He publicly professed Jesus as Lord. We can only imagine the scorn that this man must have then endured. The greater thought is undoubtedly the thought of what it was like to hear Jesus Christ say that today you will be with me in paradise. For his belief and confession of Jesus this man's sins were forgiven and his eternal destination had radically changed for the better. Steve shared how he personally ridiculed Christians and took the name of Jesus in vain. One night, by himself, while reading a book (on business finances), he realized Jesus



Steve Pawley

was who He said He was. Steve broke down and asked forgiveness from his sins and made a profession in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. Steve then had a drastic life change. This week I asked the men that have also asked for forgiveness for their sins, who have trusted the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ for payment for their sins, who believe in the resurrection, who have made a public confession and have turned (repented) from their sins, to stand and be counted.

**Come Hear
Pastor Grace
this Sunday**

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. Romans 10:9

Church Service Times

Sunday AM Worship Services

- 8:00 Nurseries are provided for all three services.
- 9:30 Graded Sunday School Children's Ministry
- 11:30 PromiseZone Children's Ministry for ages 3 through 6th grade

Sunday PM Family Service
6:00 Nurseries

Wednesday PM Family Service
7:00 Nurseries
Awana Children's Ministry for ages 3 through 8th grade

This was not to embarrass or humiliate anyone, but rather to have the privilege to stand and confess the one who died for us as their Lord. Some could not, and or would not stand. It is our heart felt prayer and life focus to continue to present the truth in hope that you will hear the call of the Spirit of God and turn to Him and away from your sins. If that happens for you, proclaim it! If there is ever a time that any of you have a question or just want to hear more from the written, preserved word of God (The Bible) it would be my great honor and privilege to talk with you.

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Next week - Playoff games	Time
Jets vs. Titans	1:00
Cowboys vs. Saints	2:30

49ers were not informed

There were just too many things lining up for the Titans. This was supposed to be their game. Scott Titus was playing in his last game before he and his beautiful family headed off for Carolina. Russ Buyer was making his debut from a week two Achilles injury. John "Bionic" Bianca was back. Rick Harter was playing in his last game of the season (shoulder surgery on 10/4). And last but not least John Pierre was sporting a new hair cut. The problem was the 49ers were not informed. The memo never went out. As the final buzzer went off the 49ers had won. Even though Scott and Rick had great games, Russ returned to near top form, John seemed faster, and stronger, and John Pierre looked marvelous – the Titans let this one get away.

Saints outlast the Jets

As the rain not only fell, but also gushed, the Jets and Saints took to the pool field. The Jets were determined to take flight this week but were foiled by a canceled flight due to mechanical reasons. Tibbs Ahlberg damaged the passing attack, Ken Henry took a wing off when he scored on a deep pass play, and Marcus Martin dashed the hopes with a safety. This Jet team will have all systems go come game time next week. The Saints have gotten better over the last few weeks and are also looking forward to their next week game against the Cowboys.

Raiders on top - way on top, of their game

The Raiders have improved drastically each week and have appeared to have peaked at the right time. This week they matched up against a very dangerous Cowboy team and things got ugly quick. The Raiders scored almost at will. They did it on the ground and in the air. They did it with Bill Fedele and James Monroe. They did it with Kevin Nichols and just about everybody else. They had Logory and Hernandez at the helm, and both had great success. The Cowboys may have had their spurs stuck together in this game but will no doubt come out shooting next week.



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Todd Shropshire gets ready for the play



Mike Ryan and Ben Way



Jim DePrez helps Chad Secor slide away from QB Doug Logory