

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of March 11, 2017

Bible Class	40
Morning Assembly	100
Evening Assembly	42
Wednesday Bible Class	36
Contribution	\$3164.00
Budget	1871.00
Over the budget for week	1293.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = CHRISTIANS ARE DISCIPLES
(Acts 11:26)

P.M. = NOW THAT FAITH HAS COME
(Galatians 3:23-29)

SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

A.M. = CHRISTIANS LIKE ME
(Acts 26:28-29)

P.M. = IN THE FULNESS OF TIME
(Galatians 4:1-7)

WEDNESDAY P.M. DEVO

MARCH 21st – Tyrone Powers

MARCH 28th – Tom Bennett



Welcome Visitors

We want to personally thank you for joining us today. It is our prayer you leave our worship service with an uplifted spirit. Below is what you can expect during our services.

SINGING: Non-instrumental singing plays a great part of our worship services. We hope that you will find this to be an uplifting praise to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19)

LORD’S SUPPER: Each Sunday we observe the Lord’s Supper, which reflects on the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and the hope of everlasting life we now can live through Him. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

CONTRIBUTION: During the service, we as members are given the opportunity to give a portion of what God has given us. This money is used to support the church and to help spread God’s Word. (I Cor. 16:2)



Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Assembly	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening	6:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Class: (Sept-May)

Tuesday	9:30 a.m.
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Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

Preacher	Gerald Bennett
Song Leader	Tommy Bennett
Elders	Gerald Bennett, Jamie Cobb
Deacons	Dave Donohoe, Russell Dukes Jr.



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WHAT IS A CHRISTIAN?

The word “Christian” is used three times in the New Testament. The word “disciple” in it’s various forms is found 261 times in the Gospels and Acts. Do you see that? The comparison is 261 to 3. And we call ourselves Christians and very seldom do we call ourselves disciples. The Greek word is μαθητης (mah thay tace) which has the basic meaning of “a learner or pupil”.

It is the opposite of διδάσκαλος (dee dahs kah lawhs) which means teacher. This is seen in Matthew 10:24-25 - “A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a slave above his master. It is enough for the disciple that he become like his teacher, and the slave like his master.” Do you see that?

When Jesus gave what we call the great commission in Matthew 28:18-20, He said, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” The first thing He tells them is to make disciples. They are to be disciples before they are baptized. And they continue to be disciples after they are baptized so He tells them that they should be “teaching them to obey all things” that He had commanded them.

The first place that the word Christian is used in the New Testament is in Acts 11:26, “and the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.”

So, what is a Christian? I am convinced there can be no doubt that a Christian is first a disciple, a learner. And I am convinced that continues to be true as long as he or she lives. There is no time when you stop being a pupil, a learner. And we learn from the teacher who is in fact Jesus the Christ. Are you a Christian?

THINK ABOUT IT

GERALD



PRAYER LIST

“Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Hebrews 4:16

OUR 249 FAMILY

Shannon Cobb test indicate she does not have cancer.

Jackie Crawford is now at home recovering from surgery.

Sam Rush has a small spot on his neck and will be seeing Dr. Hussain for a diagnosis.

Janet Barnwell, Sharon Bradley, Alcadio & Sherlyn Gonzalez, Stella Hamontree.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Doug & Linda Allee, Joycelyn Bradley (is in Brookdale Willowbrook Place, room 123 for more therapy), Shannon’s 8 year old cousin Ryan is at home doing well from his recent heart surgery, Sherlyn (will be having a biopsy on her leg) & Bill Cartwright, Vincent Davis (Ruth’s brother), Betty Jo Dennis, Ronald Derks, Jonah Dickerson (is now at home and doing well, thank you for your prayers), Tony Mendoza is recovering from his 4th heart attack, Isabel Mendenza, Pamela Mendonza, Ruthie Guterrez, Jessica Harold and her family and his niece diagnosed with colon cancer), Dr. Hussain, Bob & Billie Johnson, Richard Bautista uncle of Aaron & Lydia (is not doing well) Belinda Otero (friend of Lydia, stage 2 Breast Cancer,) Larry Powers (Tyrone’s brother), Opal Rush, and those dealing with cancer and all other illnesses.



SUNNY GLEN CHILDREN’S HOME came Wednesday and picked up your donations.

LADIES CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP the next one will be in the home of Neida Donohoe in April. Additional information will be posted soon.

We are in the process of getting a new church directory ready to print.

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY

PEARLENE JEROME and DORIS BROWN let it be known Sunday morning that they want 249 to be their home congregation.

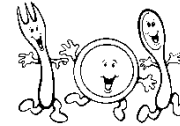
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FAMILY, FOOD FUN – MARCH 23RD
7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room.
Hostess: Janie Rockett
Menu: Down Home Cooking

A Sign Up list is posted in the foyer.



The Family and friends of Frank Farr who departed this life unexpectedly following recent heart surgery. He had worked with EEM for many years and served as an elder at Bammel, Huntsville and Conroe. Memorial services were held March 21st.

The Family and Friends of Beverly Walker, wife of Dallas Walker, minister for the Detroit Wyoming Ave church of Christ, she died March 8th.

Please pray for both of these families and their congregations.

”Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.” (Hebrews 13:17).

GERALD’S GLEANINGS

I keep saying this, but it is true! We had a great day last Sunday around 249.

We had 100 in attendance last Sunday. And I know that several of those present were visitors. But we had several members out also. Some are physically sick. Some are travelling. But we could have easily had over 110 in our assembly. That is exciting to me. I hope that it is to you as well.

I believe it is important for every Christian to be associated with a local church. It is those members who are under the oversight of the elders who are shepherds of the flock. Communication is a great part of our relationship. And our understanding of how to help each other.

I look forward to every meeting of the church here at 249. I look forward to teaching the Romans class to our young people on Sunday mornings. I am excited to teach the book of Genesis on Wednesday nights. And I really am glad to be able to preach at both the morning and evening assemblies. But all of this is because I am part of you all, the family of God at the 249 church of Christ.

As you can see by the sermon title for Sunday morning, I am resuming the sermons on what it means to be a Christian. Remember that the word Christian is used three times in the New Testament.

I love you

Gerald