

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of August 26, 2018

Bible Class	67
Morning Assembly	112
Evening Assembly	65
Wednesday Bible Class	60
Contribution	\$3722.00
Budget	1871.00
Over the budget for week	1851.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM
(Matthew 6:25-33)

P.M. = PRAY FOR EACH OTHER
(James 5:13-18)

SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

A.M. = DON'T JUDGE
(Matthew 7:1-5)

P.M. = CONVERTING A SINNER
(James 5:19-20)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASSES RESUMES



September 5th – The Book of Exodus

Questions are in the rack in the foyer.
Remember the questions are for you.

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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September 2, 2018

SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM!

“But seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you” (Matthew 6:33)

This passage is often quoted by those who are member of the church of Christ as though the meaning of it is “Seek first the church of Christ, and his righteousness.” And though the church is so very important, that is not what this verse says. I want you to know and realize that I truly do believe that the church is more important than any of you do! So I am not minimizing the idea of church at all when I say these things.

The word translated “kingdom” means “rule or reign.” So what Jesus is truly saying is seek first to have God rule or reign in your life over anything else.

Notice when Jesus says, “No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon” (Matthew 6:24), He goes on to say, “Therefore I say unto you, be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than the food, and the body than the raiment? (Matthew 6:25).

What Jesus is saying is that if you will seek the rule of God over your life, God will give you all the things that you need. He will clothe you. He will feed you. He will care for you just like He cares for he rest of His creation. “But if God doth so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? (Matthew 6:30).

Notice that it is always a matter of faith! Do we trust God to take care of us, or do we think that we need to take care of ourselves. What do you think?

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

Sam Rush is at home and hopes to have the feeding tube removed in a couple of weeks. **Janet Barnwell, Marissa Bennett, Sharon Bradley, Shannon Cobb, Alcadio & Sherlyn Gonzalez, Stella Hamontree, Myrtle Jones, Larry Rockett, Andrea Rucker (injured her back), Maria Rush, Raymond Williams.**

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Dorothy Allee, Doug Allee (had another procedure Thursday to help with the nerve pain in his back), Lanell Allee, Mary Clara Barrett, Richard Bautista, Joyce Bradley, Adam Brown (Peggy & Robert’s nephew), Sherlyn & Bill Cartwright, Vincent Davis (Ruth’s brother has a spot on his liver), Kimberly (Doris Dromgoole’s granddaughter), Stacey Farmer, Evelyn Grant (mother of Kevin Moore), Scott Horne (friend of Mary Kemp in Hospice, pray for Horne & Moore families), Howard (Doris Peavler’s brother in law), Dr. Husain, Joan Jackson (Sharon’s mother), Jerry Jefferson (has major pain in his hip), Linda Johnson (of the Spring Woods congregation has cancer), Rose Kuhn (friend of Debbie White) has cancer, Erin Cobb Ledoux, Tony Mendoza, Lynette Mendoza, Tammy Miles, Sylvia Mize (Sharon’s aunt), Belinda Otero, Larry Powers (Tyrone’s brother), Edith Ramos (friend of

Marissa), Rita (Linda Cobb’s friend), Lois & Nathaniel Smith and family (she is in hospice care), Tamara (classmate of Jaelyn), Karlene Vinas (niece of Maria Rush is recovering from multiple injuries), Judy Bentley Williams, those dealing with cancer and all other illnesses.



REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS: **Sharon Bradley** for help and wisdom in dealing with situations in her life. **Doris Brown** for her 40 year old niece Crystal Brown in Virginia Beach, VA she has been diagnosed with Stage 2 breast cancer. **Larry Harold** for his niece Dana Harold she has Stage 4 colon cancer which has spread to her liver and lungs. **Angela Jones** for Jeremiah, her friend Mary Garza and Tammie Miles, and for making the right decision concerning job opportunities. **Jenifer Woodley** for her father Leslie.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS

T.J. accepted the position with the Harris County Hospital District and will be here on September 13th. **Kelsey** will be coming at a later date. This is Gerald and Judy’s grandson and his wife, Tommy and Melissa’s son and daughter-in-law. We are so glad that they will be moving back to Houston.



SCHOOL HAS BEGUN, WATCH THE SCHOOL ZONES AND PLEASE PRAY FOR STUDENTS, TEACHERS, AND ALL.

WILLING TO WORK FORMS

Please fill out the forms you were given to let the elders know in what areas you are willing to serve and if you have not already turned them in, please do so as soon as possible.



Our Sympathy is extended to:

The family and friends of John Brandon who recently departed this life. Memorial services were held August 28th.



LADIES BIBLE CLASS will resume on **September 11th at 9:30 a.m.** They will continue their study of “Women of the Bible”



MID-WEEK BIBLE CLASS

It will resume this Wednesday evening, September 1st at 7:00 p.m. We will start a study of the book of Exodus. Questions for the first lesson are in the rack in the foyer. Please pick them up, read and answer the questions and you will be prepared for the class. Thank you.



“But seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you” (Matthew 6:33).

GERALD’S GLEANINGS

What a good week was enjoyed around 249 last week.

We were blessed with visitors, as we are every Sunday morning and we are thankful.

Doug Allee was the last speaker for our Wednesday night summer series and he did a very good job of encouraging us. He spoke from the test of John 21 and reminded us that it is our task to follow Jesus, even as He encouraged the apostle Peter to do.

Today we will begin something new for 249. Along with he bulletin, we will have available an order of worship handout and on the back a skeleton outline of the sermon which I will be preaching. It will have the page numbers of the songs we will sing. It will also have on the back side the sermon outline. I hope this will be helpful to us as we continue to strive to glorify God in our assembly time together.

Remember that I send an email each week that contains the church bulletin. If you are not receiving it and want to do so, give me your email address and I will add you to my list. And if any of your friends or family would like to receive it do the same. I also put the bulletin the church’s web page each week. Share web address with your friends and family.

“There is much to do, there is work on every hand.”

I love you!

Gerald