

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of July 14, 2019

Bible Class	56
Morning Assembly	109
Evening Assembly	50
Wednesday Bible Class	57
Contribution	\$3456.00
Budget	1871.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = TRANSFERRED INTO THE KINGDOM
(Colossians 1:13)

P.M. = ALL TREASURES OF WISDOM
(Colossians 2:3)

SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

A.M. = DO ALL IN THE NAME OF THE LORD
(Colossians 3:17)

P.M. = TRUTH
(John 14:6)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE DEVOTIONAL

July 24th – Greg Fleming
Mainstreet church of Christ
Midland, TX

July 31th - Cruz Hernandez
Hidden Valley

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.

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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July 21, 2019

DO WHAT YOU DO FOR THE LORD!

“Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve” (Colossians 3:23-24)

Years ago, Jack Exum wrote a book entitled The Glory of The Ordinary in which he spoke of a distinction we make between people who work for a living and people who are religious leaders many of whom are supported by those working masses. And how we make those distinctions in our lives.

Jim McGuiggan has a chapter in his book The God of The Towel entitled Stolen Joy which begins with the statement “To deny the glory of the ordinary has the effect of making people discontent and restless.” And then a little later He says, “Have you never wondered why God has the bulk of all his people in the places of “secular” work? And why he has called so few as evangelists. Most of the people (children of Christian families excluded) who are reached for God rarely come to our assemblies; they’re saved by friends and workmates.”

There is truly no such thing as an ordinary Christian. There are Christians. There truly should be no great distinction made in the lives of disciples who live and work in what we call the secular world. Because they are the ones who truly have the opportunity to reach the lost by their lives and deeds.

Another quote from Jim that impressed me is this one. Christ. And when they ask what you are doing for Christ and his purpose, ask them if praying for the lost counts. Ask them if living with integrity under difficult circumstances counts. Ask them if giving liberally from limited means to support fireball ministers counts. Ask them if suffering bravely or living with holiness in a marriage union or raising children in God’s image—ask if any of that counts.

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



JERRY JEFFERSON has been in Willowbrook Methodist, room 7482 since last Sunday. They were hoping to get his heart test done Thursday evening.

NICOLE LOVE is recovering from successful surgery.

ANDREA RUCKER is recovering from dental surgery.

MARIA RUSH is in Willowbrook Methodist room 7418, recovering from successful back surgery.

JIMMY WILLIAMS (father of Curtis) has been in the hospital for extensive tests.

JANET BARNWELL, CYNTHIA CAIN, JESSICA HAROLD, PEARLENE JEROME, BEN MOON, CELIA MOSLEY, JANIE ROCKETT, MICHAEL RUCKER, AARON WALDEN.

OUR PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR:

RAF BRADLEY, daughter-in-law of Sharon for protection and a safe delivery of their baby due the end of this month. **OWEN COBB** great-grandson of Linda. **DIXIE &**

HOWARD (sister & brother-in-law of Doris Peavler), **GLADYS HORTON** and her husband (mother of Ruth Power), **ANGELA JONES** for herself and her great niece **TIANNA. TAMMIE MILES** is gaining strength at Villa Toscana, 15015 Cypress Woods, Room 601, 281-202-1964 (she would like visits and continued prayers), **SHARI OWEN** daughter of Gerald & Judy is doing much better, thank you for your prayers on her behalf. **DARION “DJ” WILEY**, grandson of Faith and Lawrence Clemons has stage 4 brain cancer. Please continue to pray fervently for him and for the family.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: **Aaron Bishop** (grandson of the Aguirre’s), **Mayra Barrera & family** (friends of Sam & Maria Rush, are in London seeking asylum after death threats against their whole family in El Salvador), **Kathy Pena Kent** (friend of Aaron Walden – Stage 4 cancer. **Charlene Maxey’s** family, **Genell Stuteville** (Gerald’s aunt, has been diagnosed with cancer), **Gene Womack** (COPD). and **Stephanie Winfrey’s** (family).

Many of our members are suffering due to allergies and various other illnesses.



**FAMILY FOOD FUN
JULY 21ST
FOLLOWING OUR
EVENING ASSEMBLY**

ICE CREAM SOCIAL & SANDWICHES
Bring your favorite Ice Cream (Homemade or Blue Bell) or Sandwiches.



Take Note

Several of our members are/or will be traveling, please remember them in your prayers that God will shower them with His grace and bring them back to us.



A NEW DIRECTORY UP-DATE SHEET is in the foyer to help you keep your directory current. Please pick one up.



COPY GOD!

THE GOD OF THE TOWEL by Jim McGuigan

“First and foremost, we must know that the disciples model is nothing less than God himself. The Phillips translation of Ephesians 5:1 says this, “As children copy their fathers you, as God’s children, are to copy him.”

Is the disciple called to forgive sinners? We are called to forgive “just as in Christ God forgave you.”¹ Are disciples called to accept one another as fellow saints? We are Are disciples called to esteem one another mutually and think of the needs of others? We are to do it in the mind of Christ whose attitude led him to empty himself for the sake of others.³ Are disciples called to put away sin and put on righteousness? We are to do so because we have died and been raised with Christ.”

GERALD’S GLEANINGS

We had another good Sunday around 249 this past Sunday.

It brings great thankfulness to our hearts when we have visitors. And especially when we have visitors who keep coming back to visit. We are blessed to have visitors each week.

Also notice that we have people returning from vacation but also people who are leaving to go on vacation. It is summertime and it is passing rapidly. I know you are praying for the travelers. Thank you.

Winfred Frazier from Kashmere Gardens was our speaker this past Wednesday night and we were exhorted, encouraged, and blessed by his lesson based on the Parable of The Talents. Greg Fleming from the Downtown church of Christ in Midland, TX will be our speaker. I have known Greg from the Sermon Seminar in Austin each May. Gary Kittle suggested we invite him He has children in the area. Please make every effort to be in attendance. As it turns out, I will speak at Hidden Valley on Tuesday night in their Vacation Bible School, so I will be here on Wednesday night for which I am thankful.

I hope you read the bulletin. So I hope you read the front page article. A church does not have to have a great preacher to grow. It just has to have Christians who influence those around them to the glory of God.

I love you!

Gerald