

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of August 4, 2019

Bible Class	44
Morning Assembly	93
Evening Assembly	46
Wednesday Bible Class	51
Contribution	\$4345.00
Budget	1871.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = CALLED TO DENY SELF
(Luke 9:23)

P.M. = DEALING WITH THE WEAK!
(Romans 15:1)

SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

A.M. = WHY DID JESUS COME?
(Luke 19:10)

P.M. = ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN
(1 Corinthians 9:22)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE DEVOTIONAL

August 14th - Lance Leavens
Champions

August 21st - John Whitley
West Columbia

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. (1 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. (1 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



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DENY SELF

“And He was saying to them all, 'If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me'” (Luke 9:23).

What does it mean to deny self? Notice the context of the verse. “For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake, he is the one who will save it” (Luke 9:24)

It was Jim McGuiggan who said something to the effect, we may not know completely what it means to deny self, but we have a great example in the Bible of what Christ denial means. For when Peter was confronted that third time, we read, “Then he began to curse and swear, “I do not know the man!” And immediately a rooster crowed” (Matthew 26:74). That's Christ denial! I do not know the man!

And why did Peter say that? Did he say it because he wished to save his life? Did he think that they would do to him what they were doing and were going to do to the Christ?

It that why we are so afraid to stand up firmly for our faith in Jesus as the Christ in our world? Is it because we want people to think more and better of us?

It is not because I do not want to be unknown, but because I want to be known. Paul tells us that Jesus “...made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant....” (Philippians 2:7).

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



LAWRENCE CLEMONS is having problems with his back.

JERRY JEFFERSON is recovering from bypass surgery on August 8th at Willowbrook Methodist.

JANE MOODY is recovering from cataract surgery.

CAROLYN MOON has a Bakers Cyst that ruptured behind her knee, she was in our assembly Sunday morning.

MARIA RUSH is at home recovering from back surgery and is slowly regaining strength.

LINDA ALLEE, JANET BARNWELL, CYNTHIA CAIN, DALE CATES, DEBBIE GOODE, BEN MOON, TERRY PEAVLER, JANIE ROCKETT, DIXIE & HOWARD RODEN, ANDREA & MICHAEL RUCKER, AARON WALDEN.

OUR PRAYERS HAVE BEEN REQUESTED FOR:

Bryan Family recent death of loved ones. **Owen Cobb** great-grandson of Linda. **Jerome Collins** lung cancer. **Mary Kemp’s niece** at the death of her step-mother. **Emleigh Marsh** (Barbara’s granddaughter) to find doctors who can diagnose

and treat her illnesses. **Tammie Miles** is recovering at home. **Leroy Toliver** injections he is taking. **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: 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. **Genell Stuteville** (Gerald’s aunt, has Follicular Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma she will begin taking chemo treatments August 14th which will hopefully put her in remission). **Gene Womack** (COPD) and **Stephanie Winfrey’s** (family).

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



**FAMILY, FOOD, FELLOWSHIP
AUGUST 16TH AT 7:00 P.M. COOK OUT
We will be grilling Hamburgers**

Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert.



SUMMER VACATIONS ARE RAPIDLY COMING TO AN END

Please continue to pray for those who are/or will be traveling.

Dale Foster and his daughter **Melissa Ledoux** are on a Mission trip to India, please pray for them and the work in India.



School will begin soon please pray for the teachers, aids, bus drivers and students as they begin this new school year.



SUNDAY AFTERNOON LADIES CLASS – August 25th – Taught by Sherlyn Gonzalez



SUNNY GLEN CHILDREN’S HOME GROCERY TRUCK – SEPTEMBER 10TH

Requested Items

Liquid Dish Soap and Deodorant



WEDNESDAY EVENING SERIES

John Gooch from the Jersey Village church of Christ was a speaker in our Wednesday evening series this week. He spoke to us on The Unity of the Church with Ephesians 4:1-3 as the basis for this lesson. He showed us how the first three chapters set up the statement in these three verses. And He told us how they fit in the immediate context of chapter 4.

EPHESIANS 4:1-3 = “Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”

GERALD’S GLEANINGS

We had a good day around 249 this past week.

As you know we were blessed with visitors. I say this each week and I don’t want it to be taken for granted. We are so thankful for them and I thank you for the way you greet them,

We certainly enjoyed, and that is the right description I think, having John Gooch as our guest speaker on Wednesday night. If you heard him, you know what a great job he did speaking on The Unity Of The Church. John always does an outstanding job and that is why his name is one that is suggested each summer. We ask each preacher to speak on a subject that is timely for the church today and he certainly did that. Lance Leavens from the Champions church of Christ will be our speaker for next Wednesday night.

There is a heat warning through Monday for the Houston area. Although it will not be a record, but close to it. We have had and continue to have temperatures around 100 degrees. Please take care of yourselves and do not put yourself in danger.

I am trying to do some writing and also preaching on The Gospel of God. I really believe that this is a needed and timely topic for us today. I hope it will be helpful for understanding it, for explaining and teaching it. We live in a world where people are taking these things for granted.

I love you!

Gerald