

WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



“every disciple that is perfect shall be as his master.” Luke 6:40b

WHICH IS MORE IMPORTANT?

To help you set and keep your priorities straight, take the following personal inventory:

1. Which is more important to you? Making sure your dog (or cat) gets fed every day or making sure that your child gets daily spiritual nourishment?
2. Which is more important to you? Watching television or taking time for prayer and Bible study every day?
3. Which is more important to you? Speaking out on current political issues or speaking out to help someone understand Bible truth?
4. Which is more important to you? The time you spend playing sports, hunting, or fishing or the time you spend with your children?
5. Which is more important to you? The time you spend adorning your body or the time you spend improving the inner man?
6. Which is more important to you? What you think of last Sunday's sermon or what God thinks of your response to the sermon?
7. Which is more important to you? The condition and appearance of your house or what goes on inside your house?
8. Which is more important to you? The preacher speaking to you at the door after worship or the preacher speaking to you through the sermon?
9. Which is more important to you? The temperature in the church building or the spiritual temperature of the church which meets in the building?
10. Which is more important to you? The number of people who show an interest in you or the number of people in whom you show an interest?
11. Which is more important to you? The number of people who speak to you at church or the number of people to whom you speak?

- **David Sain**, Gospel preacher, West Fayetteville Church of Christ, TN

**“But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness;
and all these things shall be added unto you.” - Matthew 6:33**

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SERMONS THIS SUNDAY:

AM: **TJ BOLEN**—Everyone has a place and purpose in the body of Christ.

JOIN US IN
NEW TESTAMENT
CHRISTIANITY
TODAY!

PM: **TJ BOLEN**—Restoration: Not just a movement but a process.

“Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him
who hath chosen him to be a soldier.” - 2 Timothy 2:3,4

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A Warm Welcome awaits you at all our services. Come see!

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SERVICES

Sunday 10 AM Bible Study
Sunday 11 AM, 6 PM Assembly
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Bible Classes for all ages

LADIES CLASS

To be announced

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“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** *Anna Porter, Judy Walker, Margaret Herring, Miles Johnson, Richard Ramkinson, Wilson Burton.*
- **Faye Parks** is on bed rest at home, recovering from surgery for the next 6-8 weeks. Keep her and the family in your prayers; call and help if you can.
- **Ellis Rail**, a former member here, has been diagnosed with bladder cancer.
- **Faye Anderson** is to have heart valve replacement surgery. She is the mother of **Jody Anderson**, fiancée to **Katrina Jackson**.
- Also remember: **Sharon Mancuso**, travelling next week; **Jan Kelleher** at home with multiple ailments; **Anna Porter** at home also; **Bobby Hutchinson** in ICU in Arizona; **Katie Kennedy** fighting kidney stones; and **Carlyle Filyan** a HP friend of **Jones Gamble**.
- It's good to see **Margaret Herring** and **Pat Joyner** able to get out and meet with us regularly again.

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." - Psalms 121:1,2

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42

- Check bulletin board for those to whom it would be **especially** good to **send cards!**
- **Mens' meeting** at St. Andrews Road, 10 am Tues, 10/15
- **Gospel Meetings: Windsor Lake** 10/18-10/20, **St. Andrews Road** 10/20-10/22
- Sermons are available on CD. See **Jones Gamble** or **Ken Parks**.
- **Bible Bowl** Feb 22, 2014—Book is 2 Samuel.

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."
- Psalms 133:1

“REJOICE WITH THEM THAT DO REJOICE!” - Romans 12:15

- **Brian Parks** and **Jennifer Grimley** set their date to be married: June 6, 2014.
- **Pat Joyner** wishes to be identified with the congregation here.

GOSPEL MEETING AT WEST COLUMBIA

To promote the growth of the church
Sunday 10,11am, 6pm—Mon-Tues 7pm November 3-5
TJ BOLEN – GOSPEL PREACHER

1. What is the gospel?
2. How does the gospel affect me?
3. The intentional gospel.
4. The constant gospel.

Details on the bulletin boards, start inviting friends, family members, co-workers!
All members of the congregation need to be involved in this if we want to grow.

ARE BIBLE CLASSES A WASTER OF TIME?

In the minds of some people, Bible classes are not important. They may even consider them just "a waste of time." What should our attitude be toward them?

Why do we have Bible classes on Sunday and Wednesday? Do we have classes just because others have them? Do we have classes just so we can say that we are at least doing something? Until we come to learn the significance of them, we will not appreciate them as we should. If we appreciate them, then and only then will attitudes and attendance change for the better.

Bible classes are significant because they help promote the work of the church. The Bible classes are one avenue through which the Word of God can be taught. We certainly want to take advantage of every opportunity to teach and study from the Bible (2 Tim. 2:15; Psa. 1:1-3).

Bible classes are significant because they help provide a way for the elders "to feed" the flock. The apostle Paul, in speaking to the Ephesian elders, said, **"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood"** (Acts 20:28). Peter declared to the elders, **"Feed the flock of God which is among you"** (1 Pet. 5:2). Through our Bible classes, we are helping the elders carry out their work.

Bible classes are significant because they help produce tomorrow's elders, deacons, preachers, and teachers. We want to encourage our young people to grow up being servants of God. In our Bible classes, we are training potential soldiers in the Lord's Army. The Bible classes are helping to train the young in the way they should go (Pro. 22:6)..

Bible classes are significant because they help prevent unfaithfulness in the church. We all need encouragement in living the Christian life. Through our Bible classes, we can encourage and edify one another (Heb. 3:13; 10:24-25) to be strong in the Lord.

Bible classes are significant because they help prepare one for eternity. Who is it that has doubts about the importance of studying the Bible? We must come to understand and know God's will (John 8:32; 1 Tim. 2:4). The time we spend in studying the Bible in our classes is helping us to be prepared for eternity to come.

Are Bible classes a waste of time? I think not!

- **Jerry Jospheh**, elder, Charbo & Karen church of Christ, St. Charles, MO

“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” - 2 Timothy 2:15

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