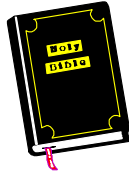


# WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**JULY 21-25**

**7:00 - 8:30 PM**

**Monday—Friday**

### “New Testament Heros”

**We Should Look to Today!**

MONDAY — CORNELIUS, OBEDIENT TO THE GOSPEL  
TUESDAY — PAUL, PREACHER OF THE GOSPEL  
WED. — PETER, FIRST WITH THE GOSPEL  
THURSDAY — STEPHEN, MARTYR FOR THE GOSPEL  
FRIDAY — TIMOTHY, SON IN THE GOSPEL

**“... be thou an example of the believers” - 1 Timothy 4:12**

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FIGHTING FIRE WITH WATER

**“Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” - Matthew 6:19-21**

*A Warm Welcome awaits you at all our services. Come see!*  
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## **“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16**

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Beryl Parks, Nina Ruth Meadows (Marcella Klieves' mother), Jack and Elma Berrier, Nathaniel Manning (Jerry and Lynn's grandson), Lynn Drago (Jerry's sister) and Phyllis Johnson.
- We're thankful Anna Porter, Betty Mathis, Carolyn Lee, Ruth Boggs and Margie DeYoung are all doing better and were with us Wed. evening.
- Stephanie Rinehart's brother Glenn is recovering from surgery in Md.
- Marilyn Brooks requests prayers for her cousin Julette, here in Columbia.
- Don Klieves is working in Greenville during the week for the next 3 months or so. He's able to return home on the weekends. His cell phone is 381-5489.
- Remember Dianne and Tiffany Dillard in your prayers.
- Jeanette Reeves continues to struggle with sin. Pray for her repentance.
- Remember all these, our new brothers and sisters in Christ, and brother Manning and those he studies the Bible with, in your prayers.

“And so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words” - 1 Thessalonians 4:18

## **“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42**

- **New Convert Class** Saturdays 11 am at the building, for all who are interested.
- The **youth** are now meeting on a regular basis at the building, **Fridays** at 7 pm to work on murals for our upcoming VBS.
- **VBS! Invite People! Mon-Friday 7/21—7/25, People of the New Testament: Paul, Peter, Timothy, Steven and Cornelius.** If you would like to work on material for VBS and have some time, an hour or a day, get in touch with Jerry who has a list of things that can be done to help.
- **SAVE THE DATE!** Our **Fall Gospel Meeting** is scheduled Sun-Wed, **Sep 14-17, 2008** with **Billy Bland**, well known Gospel preacher and instructor at MSOP.

“That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God” - Colossians 1:10

**WORK TEAM SCHEDULE: 7/6—B 7/13—C 7/20—D 7/27—A**

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

We rejoice that our brother **Benjamin Brown** came forward repenting of missing the assembly and requesting the prayers of the church. He was baptized here last year.

“Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.” - James 4:7,8

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## **The One Body**

“There is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.” (1 Tim. 2:5-6).

Christ is the only mediator between God and men, and we cannot be saved except through him. Those who reject Christ will be left out.

Not only is there one God and one mediator between God and men, but there is one body (Eph. 4:4). “**But now are they many members, yet but one body.**” (1 Cor. 12:20). That one body is the church (Eph. 1:22-23). Christ is the head of the church, as the man is the head of his wife. “**For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.**” (Eph. 5:23). That church is the one body, which is made up of Christians.

There are not two bodies — a kingdom and a church — for the church is the kingdom of Christ. This harmonizes with the statement that there is one body. Then there is "but one body", whether it be called "church" or "kingdom." Christ is the head of the church, or He is the King of the kingdom.

- E. M. Borden, Gospel preacher

## **The Same Way Now**

Since the church of Christ is still in existence, should I be considered out of order when I contend that people enter the church now just as the people in the first century? “**Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls**” (Acts 2:41).

Peter preached the word, the people heard, believed, and repented, and the preachers baptized those who demanded it, but Christ accepted their obedience and received them into the church. “**And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved**” (Acts 2:47). Are people added to the same church in the same way now? The answer is, “**Yes,**” for the Bible has not changed, and neither has Jesus Christ. Will you obey the Lord as they did on Pentecost and be added to His church by Him?

- E. M. Borden, Gospel preacher

## **THE GOSPEL—1 Corinthians 15:1-4**

“Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”

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