



WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

BIBLE MEETING

**TO FIND THE CHURCH JESUS BUILT
THE NEW TESTAMENT MUST BE OUR SOLE AUTHORITY**

Come hear gifted speakers expound from God’s word—the Bible,
on how we can find the church Jesus built—today!

If you believe there is a God, then you owe it to yourself, and those
you love and who love you, to attend.

Otherwise you might hear Him say someday,
“I never knew you: Depart from me” - Matthew 7:23

With Gary Hargrove of Anchorage, Alaska
November 13th, 14th, and 15th
Sunday, 11AM and 6PM
Monday 7PM
Tuesday 7PM

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2 miles West of Gervais St. Bridge

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RECORDS 11/6/05 SERMONS 11/13/05

Sun 10 AM Bible Study:	46	AM	Gary Hargrove
Sun 11 AM Assembly:	88		
Sun 6 PM Assembly:	65		
Weds 7 PM Bible Study:	62	PM	Gary Hargrove
CONTRIBUTION:	\$1610		

“Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might;
for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave,
whither thou goest.” - Ecclesiastes 9:10

SERVICES

Sunday 10 AM Bible Study
Sunday 11 AM, 6 PM Assembly
Wednesday 7 PM Bible Study
Office Phone (803) 794-5320

LADIES CLASS

Tuesdays (except 1st) 10 AM

*A Warm Welcome awaits you
at all our services!*

Nursery provided

Bible Classes for all ages

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“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY”

- Oops! *Another change can* was turned in for the SE Children's home bringing our total to **\$342** for them, so we *did* do better than last year's \$317!
- We need folks to **sign up to clean the building**. If you want to **team up** with some others, jot your name down on the special list on the bulletin board.
- We averaged 81 people during our meeting with **Scott Parker**, with 87 on Tuesday night and many visitors at all the assemblies. Everyone agreed he was a great speaker, preaching book chapter and verse and holding everyone's attention. Monday night he preached over an hour and it seemed but a moment. All I talked to after went away much encouraged and built up.

“And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses,
the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”

- 2 Timothy 2:2

“IS ANY SICK AMONG YOU?”

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER: BERYL PARKS, MARY HONEYCUTT, HAGOOD GODLEY** and our shut-ins **JESSICA HERRING, ZUDORA CLEGG, PHYLLIS JOHNSON** and **VIOLET BRUNSON**. Prayers are also requested for **NINA RUTH MEADOWS** (Marcella Klieves' mother), **JAMES MATHIAS** (Tommy White's brother-in-law), **KATHYRN HALL** (Melissa Parks' sister), and **FRANCES GRIFFIN** (Melissa Parks' aunt).
- **Beryl Parks** was able to make it out all 3 evenings of our Bible Meeting.
- **Ron and Margie Banks** are still in Ohio. Ron isn't doing very well.
- **Ted Stidham** has had some tremors which have kept him from the assembly.
- **Ethel Smith** has severe hip pain and is having tests to find the cause.

“God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us;”

- Psalm 67:1

FORMING THE HEART

Cut a tree and take it to the saw mill. The log is crooked with a limb here and a knot there. The saw squares the log and makes it straight as an arrow, but the **heart** of the tree is still crooked. **Judas** was like that. He **outwardly** conformed, but inwardly, his heart was still crooked (Matthew 26:14-16).

Many think if we **do** good things, we'll **become** good—our heart will become good. Some ask themselves: **WWJD**—What Would Jesus **Do**. And they're plumb **wrong!** If that were all it took, the **Pharisees** would have been **good** and **pleasing** in God's sight. But, they **weren't**, as Jesus told us in **Matthew 23:28: "Even so you also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity."**

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FORMING THE HEART (continued from prior page)

Jesus told them to cleanse first the inside **so** the outside might be clean! **That** is the way it's done. But, we can't work directly on our hearts (Jeremiah 17:9,10). Instead we form our hearts by changing our **minds** as the Lord told us in **Romans 12:2: "But be ye transformed by the renewing of your MIND"**

We need to empty our **minds** of thoughts of self and replace them with thoughts of God that we get **from His word**—the Bible. This is how God works on us—through His word. This takes time. We must work at it **every** day, purging ourselves of self and **reading** from God's word. Our Lord told us to do this **very thing** in **Luke 9:23: "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me."**

Jesus meant it! He took up his cross to **die!** So must **we** - daily! Die to self so we can **live** for God, feeding on His word so we might grow (1 Peter 2:2).

To form our hearts, it must be clear in our minds that we've been **bought!** **"And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again."** - **2 Corinthians. 5:15** By the grace of God we can be redeemed if we **do** His will. We can belong to God and gain victory over death. It's so easy to find rest:

"Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."—**Matthew 11:29**

- Ed Kelleher, elder, West Columbia church of Christ, South Carolina

“PROVOKE TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS”

- We had many visitors **again** last Sunday! This is wonderful! Let's get **more!** The elders ask **again** that **all members please invite at least 1 person** to attend our Bible meeting and to **PRAY!** that many will come, **hear** the gospel **and obey**, that the church here will **multiply** and that the **Lord** be glorified. Of course, asking and praying **more** than once is good too!

“And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly” - Acts 6:7

- **Ladies!** Plans are being made for **Sunday luncheon, refreshments** after the evening meetings, and possibly **meals** with the visiting preacher before the evening lessons. Please contact **Evalina Lowe** (957-7362) or **Martha Geiger** (794-8804) to see how you can help.
- The **50+ group** plans to meet **Friday 11/11/05 at 6PM** at the **Harbour Inn** in Lexington for a time of special fellowship; 27 owned up the last time.