

WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

ASCENDING TO HIM

“Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place?

He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, nor sworn deceitfully” Psalms 24: 3, 4.

This is a question that many people have forgotten to ask themselves today. They believe everything is all right. Others do not believe that there is a God or an afterlife.

There is a God, though, and we need to find out what it takes to be able to approach Him. David doesn't leave us without the answer. He tells us what it takes to be acceptable to God. He uses some symbols which make it easy for us to remember and understand who may come into God's presence. The hands symbolize our actions, work, that which we do. The heart symbolizes our motives, intentions, attitudes and thoughts. Lifting up the soul symbolizes our worship and adoration of that which is greater. Swearing deceitfully reminds us of our speech.

Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure that what you do is right and acceptable to God. Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure your thoughts and intentions are proper and acceptable to God. Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure your worship is pleasing and acceptable to God. Do you want to come into God's presence? Make sure the words of your mouth are true and acceptable to God.

- Bryan Naugle, Evangelist, Sebring Parkway church of Christ, Florida

“Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly , nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.” - Psalm 1

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RECORDS 4/1/2007		SERMONS 4/8/2007	
Sun 10 AM Bible Study:	56	AM: Jerry Manning	
Sun 11 AM Assembly:	102	“Your Love Will Find You Out”	
Sun 6 PM Assembly:	75	PM: Jerry Manning	
Weds 7 PM Bible Study:	71	“When Minds Are Made Up”	
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“Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.” - Luke 12:37

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, Margaret Herring, and our shut-ins Jessica Herring, Zudora Clegg, and Phyllis Johnson. Also, Nina Ruth Meadows (Marcella Klieves' mother), Jack Edwards (Melissa Parks' father), Jack and Elma Berrier, Nathaniel Manning (Jerry and Lynn's grandson).
- Don Fields has a severe case of poison ivy and wants our prayers.
- Walt Williams, Paul Dillard's brother-in-law, has a recurrence of cancer.
- Nancy White, Tommy's sister-in-law, is to start serious cancer treatments.
- Katherine Hutchinson is back in the hospital.

"Now know I that the Lord saveth his annointed; he will hear from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand." - Psalm 20:6

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

- We're happy the Mannings all had a wonderful time at the MSOP lectures and made it back safely.
- Stefanie Rinehart came forward Sunday morning desiring the prayers of the church that she be a better Christian, wife and mother.
- John Manning came forward desiring the prayers of the church that he be better able to resist temptation.
- Cedrick Anderson came forward desiring the prayers of the church.
- Anthony Green and India Odum are to be married at the building Saturday April 14. They are a very nice young couple and members at the North Fort church of Christ, which doesn't have a permanent meeting house. They'll be setting up and having their rehearsal Friday 4/13 at the building.
- Lorraine Welch, Lynn Manning's mother, is back home. She really enjoyed her visit here and has sent several very nice thank you cards that are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. Her address is: PO Box 144, W. Clarksville, NY 14786.

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EVANGELISTIC WORK PLANNED WITH MANY CONGREGATIONS:

- A door knocking evangelistic campaign is being planned to build up the church in Woodruff, Saturday April 28. We'll leave early Sat AM to get there by 9:30AM.
- A campaign to reestablish the church in Newberry is being planned for the fall.
- Our **Fall Gospel meeting** will be September 16-19, Sun-Wed, with Keith Mosher, Dean of Academics at Memphis School of Preaching—if the Lord wills.

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” - Matthew 28:19,20

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42

- **BUILDING CLEANUP** volunteers needed—sign up in foyer. If you'd like to help with someone else, or have questions, please see Billy Geiger or Gerald Boyd.
- Marilyn Brooks new phone number is 739-4543
- Our sister Anne Louise Gordon in Lexington County Detention Center got 24 birthday cards sent by members here. She thanks everyone for their thoughtfulness. Remember her, and the work at LCDC in your prayers. Brother Manning has been able to teach regularly and many want to obey and be baptized into Christ but there are obstacles that hinder them that need to be overcome. Especially remember William Haron, an inmate in Pod G, who is teaching others the truth and wants to be baptized himself, but is hindered by the authorities.

“But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him. He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.” - 1 John 2:5,6

“PROVOKE TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS” - Hebrews 10:24

- Gospel Meeting, Orangeburg with David Pharr 4/8-11 Sun-Wed.
- Youth Rally—Thompson church of Christ, Fri-Sat 4/20-4/21.
- Gospel Meeting, Union church of Christ with JC Watkins of Chattanooga, TN. Sun-Thurs 4/15-4/19. Curtis Gilbert preaches there. Car pooling is encouraged.
- Gospel Meeting, St. Andrews Road Sun-Thurs 4/15-4/18 with W.T. Allison.
- Youth Retreat, 4/27-4/28, Fri-Sat at the home of Jan and Ferah Glott. Topic: “So run, that ye may obtain.” - 1 Corinthians 9:24
- Senior Rally, St. Andrews Road, Saturday 4/28/2007 with Mickey Burleson on “PAUL'S PATTERN FOR GROWING OLD”

“Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.” - Matthew 5:6

“ELDERS ... FEED THE FLOCK OF GOD” - 1 Peter 5:1,2

"My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth." - 1 John 4:18

God has told us He wants us to **do**, not just **say**. Remember the parable of the 2 sons? (Matthew 21:28) One said he would—but didn't. The other son said he wouldn't—but he did. Which was better? The latter son who **did** his father's will. Let's be wise and not kid ourselves. Sitting in the chicken coop, calling yourself a chicken and going *cluck cluck* occasionally won't make you a chicken. Neither will sitting in a church building, calling yourself a Christian and occasionally going through some acts of worship make you one either. Let's not **say**, let's **do!** It's the, "I'd rather **see** a sermon than **hear** one" idea. Study God's word diligently and **do** what He says out of love for Him.

- Elders, West Columbia church of Christ