

WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

HELP! IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH!!

If you had an emergency and told someone it was a matter of life or death!, how would you expect them to respond? Would you appreciate a “*Ho-Humm, I'm a little tired, maybe tomorrow...*” or a “*Yeah, yeah, I'll get to it after I finish my TV show*” type response? Would you want to hold them accountable if someone **died** as a result of their inaction—when they might have saved a life? Well, guess what God has told us:

“in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:” - 2 Thessalonians 1:8

God has told us the house is on fire. What should we do? Jesus told us.

“And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.” - Mark 16:15,16

Are you going to **ignore** this or treat it lightly or casually? Jesus came here at GREAT cost to save man. He gave His life for this. This is God's will:

“The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should PERISH, but that all would come to repentance.” - 2 Peter 3:9

Do you think He will ignore your ignoring his warning, his command; his statement of His will? No! God is not mocked. Is there ANYTHING you can do to help? Yes! Remember our GOSPEL meeting! We have an able man, **Billy Bland** coming here to preach the Gospel. He will preach God's word in a manner that will save men and women—IF THEY HEAR IT!

Your mission (and you'd be wise to accept it) is to get people here to hear it! Invite your family, your neighbors, the people you work or go to school with. Follow up with them to make sure they come. How did you find out about the church? Are you glad you did? Remember our Gospel Meeting, TELL SOMEONE about it. It's a matter of Life or Death!

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

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SERMONS 8/24/2008

Sun 10 AM Bible Study: 58
Sun 11 AM Assembly: 106
Sun 6 PM Assembly: 96
Wed 7 PM Bible Study: 66
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THE THINKING OF GOD
PM: Jerry Manning
ANSWERING BIBLICAL QUESTIONS

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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.
- **Melissa Parks** is in Virginia on the death of her uncle, Robert H. Wright Jr. She requests prayers for the family. Another uncle of hers had passed away also.
- **Lynn Manning's** sister, **Laurie Millard**, fell of a horse last week and suffered a concussion and compressed vertebrae. She was in the hospital but is home now. Also keep **Lynn Drago**, Jerry's sister in your prayers that she obey the Gospel.
- **Ron Banks** continues to have health problems, but was able to make it out last Sunday.
- **Don and Marcella Klieves** were in Michigan last week visiting their oldest daughter. Don is working in Greenville, 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.

“ ... pray one for another, that ye may be healed.

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.” - James 5:16

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42

- **PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED!** Small cans or packages with pop-top lids are good.
- We were glad to have **Morne Stephanas** with us last week. Morne (more-neigh) just graduated from MSOP. He left Thursday to return to South Africa where he wants to preach and teach other preachers, hopefully starting a school of preaching. Other MSOP students, **John Manning**, **Gabriel Collins** and **Matt Benfield** were here to see him off before they start classes again this Monday.
- **Wedding Shower** for **Natalie and Landis Cobb**, at the building, Sunday August 24 after the evening assembly.
- **Volunteers needed to clean the building!** Sign up in the foyer.
- The **Young Ladies Class**, Thursdays, 7 pm at **Jamie and Debbie Sheppard's** home. **Lynn Manning** will be teaching. Just for the girls, teens to young adults.
- **New Convert Class** Saturdays 11 am at the building, for **all** who are interested.
- It was a wonderful Gospel meeting at North Columbia. Our thanks, and God's blessing, to our faithful brothers and sisters who were there.

“We are bound to thank God always for you brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward one another aboundeth;” - 2 Thessalonians 1:3

WORK TEAM SCHEDULE: 8/24—A 8/31—B 9/7—C 9/15—D

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Is your heart like Paul's, whose heart was like Christ's?

“Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. ... For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. ... For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?” - Romans 10:1-14

People believe in God, but they have not obeyed the Gospel, because they have not heard the whole counsel of God preached. They will hear it at our Gospel meeting! Tell them of it! Work! Follow up with them, to see they come **hear!** - The elders

REMEMBER OUR GOSPEL MEETING!

Sunday September 14 – Wednesday September 17

With Billy Bland, Evangelist, of the Memphis School of Preaching

YOU CAN BE SURE!

Sunday	10 am	THE BIBLE IS FROM GOD
Sunday	11 am	ABOUT THE WORSHIP THAT PLEASES GOD
Sunday	7:30 pm	WHETHER OR NOT YOU ARE CALLED OF GOD
Monday	7 pm	THAT GOD REALLY FORGIVES
Tuesday	7 pm	WHICH CHURCH IS THE LORD'S CHURCH
Wed.	7 pm	ABOUT YOUR ETERNAL DESTINY

“And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.” - John 6:69

ALSO! SPECIAL 10 am BIBLE STUDY MEETINGS MONDAY-WEDNESDAY!

BRING A NON-MEMBER GUEST – BRING A SOUL! BRING SEVERAL!!

The elders want all members to commit and make a special effort to have at least one non-member attend our meeting. Not just invite them – but work to make sure they attend! Maybe a family member, a friend, a co-worker, or a neighbor. Personally invite them! Give them the Gospel Meeting sheet and a Personal Invitation Card. Then **CALL THEM** and follow-up! Tell them, several times, how much you'd like to see them at our meeting. Tell them you'll be there too and how much it would mean to you to have them there. You'd tell them if a movie theatre was giving away free tickets—please tell them of our Gospel Meeting.