

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, West Columbia church of Christ, South Carolina

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SERMONS THIS SUNDAY:

AM: HARVEY ALLEN

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NEW TESTAMENT
CHRISTIANITY
TODAY!

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

To be announced

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“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** *Richard Ramkinson, Margaret Herring, Wilson Burton, Betty Mathis, Lamar Reeves, Elma Berrier and Phyllis Johnson.*
- **Dorothy Gray** requests the prayers of the church for her and her family.
- **Ken Parks** will be in California, working, this week.
- **Miles Johnson**, son of **Brett and Cyndi**, grandson of **Dennis and Beth**, has been diagnosed with a lymphoma in the neck and they have now found an inoperable tumor behind his heart. They will be trying chemotherapy. Remember them all in your prayers, that their faith be strengthened and that God be merciful.
- Also, continue to keep the **Gamble** family in your prayers as Jones father steadily declines, but is holding his own for the moment, and Jones' sister **Margie** is having difficulty with her transplanted kidney.
- Remember our sister **Anne Louise Gordon** who has moved to the Camille Griffin Graham Correctional Institution on Broad River Road. Her new address is:

**Anne Louise Gordon #323003
CGGCI Dana #236
4450 Broad River Road
Columbia SC 29210**

“ ... 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

- All our invited to the **Kelleher's** home for hot dogs and ice cream, Labor day **Monday at noon.**
- **Fellowship luncheon, followed by Men' business meeting.**
- **Bible Study at Church Building, most Saturdays at 3 pm**, all are invited and please invite visitors to come! It's a good way for people to learn more of us. An informal session around a table with everyone using their bibles and Strong's Concordances.

"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

HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAYETH

“Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.” - Revelation 3:4-6

Facts About The Bible, by David Padfield

The Bible is composed of 66 books. There are 39 books in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament. Some 39 or 40 men had a part in the writing of the Bible, from Moses to the apostle John. It took over 1500 years to produce the Bible.

Out of all the men who wrote the books of the Bible, Luke "the beloved physician" (Col. 4:14) was the only Gentile. He penned the gospel of Luke and the book of Acts.

The first section of the Old Testament is called the Pentateuch. It contains the first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy). These books, written by Moses, cover the period of time from Creation to the death of Moses, just prior to the entrance of God's people into the promised land.

The Old Testament contains twelve books of history, from Joshua through Esther. There are five books of poetry: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Solomon. There are five books of the major prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel and Daniel. There are 12 minor prophets, from Hosea through Malachi.

The New Testament contains four gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John), each telling the story of the life of Christ from different viewpoints. The New Testament has one book of history, the book of Acts, which tells of the establishment of the church and the growth of Christianity in the first century. It also has 21 epistles, the majority of which were written by the apostle Paul (Romans through Jude) and one book of prophecy (the Revelation), penned by John while on Patmos.

The Old Testament was written in Hebrew (with the exception of Daniel 2:4b-7:28 and Ezra 4:8-6:18). The New Testament was written in Greek.

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 here! Tell them of it! Invite people to attend or join us on a Saturday afternoon Bible study. Follow up with them, to see they come **hear—that they might be saved!**