Whispering Hills

Church of Christ



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Gathering Times

Sunday Worship

10:30 AM

Updates will be forthcoming as to the continual changes with COVID-19.

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HOW TO BE SAVED

- 1. Hear (Rom 10:17; Jn 6:45)
- 2. Believe (Jn 8:24; Heb 11:6)
- 3. Repent (Lk 13:3,5; Ac 2:38)
- 4. Confess (Mt 10:32; Rom 10:9, 10)
- 5. Baptized (Mk 16:16; 1 Pet 3:21)



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Weekly Bible Reading

December 06, 2020 Titus & Philemon
December 07, 2020 Hebrews 1 - 7
December 08, 2020 Hebrews 8 - 13
December 09, 2020 James
December 10, 2020 1 & 2 Peter

December 11, 2020 1 John

December 12, 2020 2 John/3rd John/Jude

December 13, 2020 Revelation 1 - 7

Our religious conviction:

God chose to save the world by sending His Son, Jesus to die on the cross for our sins (Rom 10:17).

Those who choose to listen and obey the Gospel message SHALL be saved (Ac 2:38).

God adds them to the Church of the Bible which His Son is coming for one day (2 The 1:7 - 10).

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Remember...

Written near the end of the Apostle Peter life to the brethren, "Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know *them*, and be established in the present truth. Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting *you* in remembrance" (2 Pet 1:12, 13). Peter reminds the Christians of the truths to keep it fresh in their minds; as long as he is able, it is right to stir up their minds about God's Truth. Using **tabernacle** (indicate his body) to keep in memory (2 Cor 5:1-4). Tabernacle is a tent (indicating the physical body is temporary, not eternal). To put them **in remembrance** (arouse to a sense of responsibility of the knowledge within). It is good to be reminded of some basic things in relation to our Spiritual life. These things are very fundamental. All Christians should know and be reminded from time to time with the intent [we] might always remember them.

Who You Are

The Apostle John wrote, "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is" (1 Jn 3:1, 2). It is good for Christians to remember at all times they are God's Children. Christianity is not something donned on Sundays or when around other Christians. It is who [we] are 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Our conduct must reflect. Jesus told the Jews of His Day, they were children of the devil because it was [his will] they desired to do (Jn 8:44). Conversely, if [we] are going to be God's Children, [we] must desire to do His Will in our lives. Something [we] need to remember, constantly.

Why You Are Here

Sometimes, even though having the best of intentions, [we] get caught up in the ideas of the world around us and worldly things seem important to us. Giving priority to our education, job, possessions, etc., instead of remembering what life is really about. The purpose of life can be found which Solomon wrote, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this *is* the whole *duty* of man" (Ecc 12:13). Never lose sight of the purpose of our existence. Do not be distracted by the world/enticements. Be firmly resolved to remember "our all" is to live lives of honor and glorify to God. Never lose this sight.

Why You Worship

Jesus reminded the Samaritan woman, "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (Jn 4:23, 24). But, the hour cometh, and now is (the Christian Age). Becoming a reality in a short period of time; marking a change. True worshippers (those believing and living in accordance with His Will through worshipping God. Having obeyed the gospel being baptized for the remission of their sins (Ac 2:38). In spirit (the spirit of man, not the Holy Spirit). One will worship God sincerely motivated by their love for Him. In truth (worship according to the way instructed by God to worship). It does not depend upon the place, but having the right attitude and worshipping God's Way. He has always dictated to man how to worship. Many worship Him the way they want to. This is unacceptable to God (Mt 15:8, 9). God is Spirit and not confined to one place; can be worshipped anywhere on earth. The criteria is not about the place, but in spirit and truth (Jn 4:23). God must be worshipped this way. There is no other way to worship God (Mt 4:10). We must constantly remind ourselves to whom worship is directed: God. Somehow, some people have gotten the idea for worship to be what it should be is it has to be done to please us [man]. This this worship of self rather than of God (Mt 7:21-23; 15:13, 14; Rom 8:35; Heb 10:24, 25).

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Continuous Prayers: Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Clouds, Ron Forge, Christina Jones, Miguel Graves, Joyce Fair

Patricia Hurd, Ruby Busby (Bro/Sis Busby's FAMILY), Sheila Harris, Curtis Ward, Joyce Gutierrez,

Mattie Stafford, Annette Rolette, Chris White (Sis White's son)

Adam McCants (Bro Ramsey's daughter father-in-law)

Joel Sotelo Vazquez / Bertha Tapia [Mexico City, Mexico], Alfredo Cabrera/Ana Yescas (Bro Ramsey's friend)

Maria Diaz (Sis Skinner's neighbor), Willie Gray (Sis Gray's brother-in-law)

Anthony Yescas (Bro Ramsey's friend)

Sick: Arthur Henry, Dan Allen, Jerry Birdow, Jose (Bro Spataro's friend)

General: Demetria Washington, Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother), Kelvin & Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brothers),

Simon Young, Sam Lily (Sis Guthrie's stepson), Michael Neazer, M. Staton

Milicent Douglas (Sis Glasker's neice)

UPDATES:

- 1. Please ensure [we] have ALL relevant information pertaining to birthdays and anniversaries for our Bulletin to be current, so [we] may collectively participate in these extra special events with you. If in doubt, please share it, again for ALL of us to know.
- 2. Jane Sikes Carter (Bro Sike's mom) passed away from having a stroke [03 Dec]
- 3. Barbara Mackified [Ft. Lauderdale, FL] (Sis Allen's grandmother) is NOT doing well; placed on hospice this week [04 Dec]
- 4. Sue Everett (former member) going through the endurance of pain (shingles) and suffering [04 Dec]
- 5. Sis Pat White experiencing a flare up of arthritis [04 Dec]

Upcoming Activities / Announcements

- 1. **Door Knocking Campaign** Postponed until further notice.
- 2. Christmas [Holiday]: 25 Dec 20 [Last Friday in December]
- 3. New Year's Day [Holiday]: 01 Jan 21 [1st Friday in January]



SERMON NOTES

1 Cor 9:16 - 18 "For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel! What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel."

Subject:	
Scripture Reference:	