

WHISPERING HILLS

Church of Christ

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Worship Times

Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

Location

Temporarily: TownePlace
Suites by Marriott
Dallas/DeSoto
(directions provided inside)

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

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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 because it is
purchased with His Blood
(Ac 20:28; 2 The 1:7-10).

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)

Our thinking vs. God's promises

Man/Woman:
"I'm not able"

Man/Woman:
"I can't do it"

Man/Woman:
"I can't figure things out"

GOD:
I am able
(2Corinthians 9:8)

GOD:
You can do all things
(Phillipians 4:13)

GOD:
I will direct your steps
(Proverbs 3: 5-6)

Man/Woman:
"I can't go on"

Man/Woman:
"I'm too tired"

Man/Woman:
"It's impossible"

GOD:
My Grace is sufficient
(2Corinthians 12:9 & Psalm 91:15)

GOD:
I will give you rest
(Matthew 11:28-30)

GOD:
All things are possible
(Luke 18:27)

Man/Woman:
"I'm always worried
and frustrated"

Man/Woman:
"I feel all alone"

Man/Woman:
"It's not worth it"

GOD:
Cast all your cares on me
(1Peter 5:7)

GOD:
I will never leave you
or forsake you
(Hebrews 13:5)

GOD:
It will be worth it
(Romans 8:28)

Thank you for visiting with us

Our goal is to worship God according to His Will
just as the Christians in the first century did (Ac 2:42).

Please ask us a question about the reason why we worship the way we do (1 Pet 3:15).
Also, please take the time to fill out an attendance card today (in the holder facing you)
and give it to one of our members acknowledging your presence with us.

You BELONG Here!

Acts 2:42-47 and Romans 12:10

Prayer Request

We are here to Pray for you



Continued Prayers

Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Cloud, Ron Forge,
Jewel Hunter, Joyce Gutierrez, Joyce Fair,
Curtis Ward, Sheila Harris, Simon Young,
Michael Neazer, Mary Ervin
Jessica McCants (Bro Ramsey's daughter)

Grieving

General

Demetria Washington, Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother),
Kelvin & Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brothers)
Charles Votaw (Sis Harper's brother)
Joel Sotelo (Bro Ramsey's brother-in-law)

Updates /Announcements

- [1] Our PRAYERS should echo loud and clear on a daily basis for God's GRACE, MERCY and LOVE by taking nothing for granted as [we] continue to live up to His Expectations and Commands through obedience (Mt 7:21-23).
- [2] The Whispering Hills Church of Christ will be worshipping at this location [*temporarily*] each Lord's Day @ 10:30 AM:
TownePlace Suites by Marriott Dallas DeSoto
2700 Travis St. DeSoto, TX 75115 B: (972) 780-9300

Traveling Instructions:

At the intersection of Cockrell Hill/Hwy 67 N (adjacent to the recently closed Luby's Restaurant on the North Service Road behind Valero Gas Station), proceed North towards Camp Wisdom Rd/Wheatland Rd.

Less than .2 of a mile, turn Right on Barrymore Ln (hotel visible to your Right); then turn Left onto Travis St.

- [3] Many have taken the vaccine for COVID-19 and our PRAYERS are for continual good health.
- [4] Many are still be affected by the virus, let's NOT become lackadaisical and take anything for granted. In God we TRUST!!
- [5] The **FIRST** [official] day of **SPRING**—**March 20, 2021** [Saturday]!!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

March '21

- [20] Arthur Anderson
[26] Walter Simon
[26] Mattie Stafford





GOD'S PROMISES ROMANS 4:17 - 22

The Bible says, "(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, *even* God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were. Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform. And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification" (Rom 4:17-22).

When Paul said God "...calleth those things which be not as though they were" (Rom 4:17), this foundation was laid for all who are involved in hope. This enables us to see the invisible. The anticipation of the final resurrection enabled the early Christians to endure incredible sufferings. Paul said, "For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?" (Rom 8:24). We do not walk by sight, but by a faith (2 Cor 5:7) rooted in what God has promised. Things we are unable to see physically are seen through the eyes of faith as clearly as though they did.

His Promises to Abraham were [staggering], but not to Abraham. How was it possible a man well beyond the age most men have children and a woman whose age gave no hope of ever giving birth would be parents so late in life? Yet, when God promised this would happen, "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God" (Rom 4:20).

His Promises are [staggering] to most. Atheists mock our faith by saying, "Do not give me my pie in the sky by and by. I want my pie before I die." The ancients said, "If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? let us eat and drink; for to morrow we die" (1 Cor 15:32). This view of life might bring momentary "pleasure" with the future full of hopelessness. His Promises are also staggering to those with weak faith, but Abraham's faith was strong (Rom 4:19).

In the midst of adversity, many turn their attention to their problems, but this was not the focus of the hope Abraham made life's choices. Not being overwhelmed by the obvious "facts" and not wavering in unbelief (Rom. 4:19, 20). It was a hopeless situation by man's account. His body was dead in the sense he had lost the capacity to have children. Sarah did not have the capacity to bear children; her womb was dead. But he had faith in God and His Promises by trusting and obeying. God could do whatever he said, regardless of the way things seemed from a human standpoint. Nature said it was impossible, but God said it would be. He believed God. This is the same type of faith one must have today. He gave Him The Glory. He did not look outward, but upward. The hope governing Abraham is the same for us when we have our anchor and faith in Christ motivated by love (Lk 6:46; Jn 13:34, 35; 14:15; 1 Cor 13:13; Eph 3:4).

His [staggering] Promises are tied to the nature of God. Abraham knew what God said and would keep it. Let us remember from the time we trust Christ, whatever may have been our present frailties and temptations are reckoned as righteous in the sight of God. Yes, and in addition, we may count on absolute deliverance from the power of sin. Do not look *down*, brooding over your weakness nor look *back* upon your past, strewn with failure! Look *up* to the living Christ! All the promises of God are yea and amen in Christ (2 Cor 1:20).

His Promises have never failed, not even one time. When the Jews conquered Canaan, the Divine record said, "here failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass" (Jos 21:45). *Not even one word!* This is why we can anchor our hope in Him and trust every single promise. Anchor your faith in Him and when you come to the end of your life, you can look back and know not a single word of all His Promises have failed! Anchor your hope in Him (Heb 6:13 - 20)!!

