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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.

#### Leadership

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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 (Jn 6:45; Rom 10:17)
- 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)



#### 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.



# 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**

Sis. Guthrie—Loss of her nephew, Corbin Sinclair

#### 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] PRAYERS for the Elders discussing the immediate funding from the insurance company for the needed repairs
- [3] Sis Guthrie will be undergoing further tests for a future medical procedure
- [4] Larry & Jane Watson (Hubbard CC) diagnosed w/ COVID-19
- [5] Kim Hetherington (Hubbard CC) diagnosed w/ COVID-19; husband (Steve) and her are struggling with the virus





## <u>April</u> '21

[03] Ashley Allen [21] Ruth Davenport

#### **Anniversary**

[12] Ann & Arthur Busby

[21] Carolyn & Mac Cloud





#### LET THERE BE SPRING Song of Solomon 2:10 - 13

In the words of Solomon, "My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. For, lo, the winter is past; The rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; The time of the singing of birds is come, And the voice of the turtle-dove is heard in our land; The fig-tree ripeneth her green figs, And the vines are in blossom; They give forth their fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away" (SOS 2:10-13). Solomon is expressing his romantic awareness as he presents life in his own words. Looking at the calendar, Spring actually began roughly 8 days ago, but there has only been a few occasions where it was felt. A few days ago while laying in bed, we listened to real thunderstorms, then after READING the Bible, actually heard birds singing [chirping] in a high-spirited fashion. The flowers are beginning to bud and crossing my mind is the need to get the lawn mowers up and running.

Okay, I have not heard any turtles; but, yes - Let There Be Spring!!

IT IS A HIDDEN FORCE: It is hard to believe anything in nature can live again after winter withdraws the ice and snow of its deadly hand. Remember a few weeks ago? It may be hard to imagine a cold, icy heart can harbor any life. But each person has a soul which cannot perish from existence. In every soul there is a hidden life to come forth from the ground when Jesus returns. Daniel says, "...many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that are wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they



Are you ready for eternal spring?

that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever" (Dan 12:2, 3). The hope of resurrection, of the life beyond the darkness of their times, animated the hearts of the Jews. This echoes (1 Cor 15:58) in the same way. His prophecies were to be sealed because their entire fulfillment was not to take place for many days.

IT REVEALS THE LIFE-GIVING POWER OF GOD: There is no other way to explain the phenomenon of Springtime than the omnipotence of God. Those claiming there is no God, ignore the everlasting clear and overpowering evidence existing in creation (Rom 1:20). The Psalmist says, "...The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God..." (Psa 14:1; 53:1). The same remarkable power of God was seen in the resurrection of Jesus and is the only hope we have for an eternal life with Him in heaven (Mt 25:46; Jn 3:15, 16, 36; 5:24; Tit 3:7). IT IS A TYPE OF OUR RESURRECTION: The Lord who promised the yearly return of the birds, flowers

and warm summer breezes also promises a resurrection of the dead of those who die in Him (1 The 4:14-16). Jesus said, "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth on me, though he die, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die. Believest thou this?" (Jn 11:25, 26). God's Mighty and Everlasting Power will be displayed; yet, again, when Jesus returns (2 The 1:6-10). After a long winter, are you ready [eagerly anticipating] Spring? It would be so profitable, if ALL of His Creation comprehended the same enthusiasm and earnest expectation for the coming of Christ!! Are you ready for the Eternal Spring Jesus will bring with Him on that last day (1 Cor 15:50-58)?

Prepare today by: Hearing God's Word (Jn 6:45; Rom 10:17); Believing in Him (Jn 8:24; Heb 11:6); Willing to Repent of your sins (Lk 5:32; Ac 2; 38; 17:30);

Confessing Jesus Christ as God's only begotten son (Mt 10:32, 33; Rom 10:9, 10; Php 2:11); and Willing to be Baptized in the watery grave for the remission of all your past, repented sins as a new creature in Christ (Mt 28:18-20; Mk 16:16; Rom 6:1-6; Ac 2:38; 22:16; Col 2:12; 1 Pet 3:21);

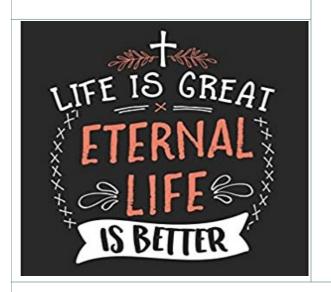
While being added to the ONLY church one can ever READ about in the body of Christ (Mt 16:18; Ac 2:47; Gal 3:26, 27; Eph 1:22, 23; 4:4, 5; Col 1:18).

Then, to live a faithful life until death (Rev 2:10) preparing to enjoy the begotten Son for ALL Eternity!!

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"And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence" (Col 1:18).



### **Weekly Bible Reading**

March 27, 2021	Isaiah	35 - 40
March 28, 2021	Isaiah	41 - 47
March 29, 2021	Isaiah	48 - 53
March 30, 2021	Isaiah	54 - 60
March 31, 2021	Isaiah	61 - 66
April 01, 2021	Jeremiah	01 - 05
April 02, 2021	Jeremiah	06 - 10

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15



# Sermon Notes...