

WHISPERING HILLS

Church of Christ

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Worship Times

Sunday Worship 10:30AM

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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)

Fathers, we bless you in the name of the Lord.

You are the spiritual
leaders in your
home. May you set
a godly example in all
that you say and do,
that others might see
Christ in you. May all
that you put your
hands to prosper as
you honor the Lord
with your life. May
your family truly
experience the depths
of God's love through
you. And may you be
blessed beyond
measure.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

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, Billie Guthrie,
Jessica McCants (Bro Ramsey's daughter)

Grieving

Sis Gutierrez - Jennifer Jackson (sister-in-law)
Bro Birdow - Brian Cadenhead (brother-in-law)

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] FATHER'S DAY '21 (Sunday, 20 Jun)
- [3] SUMMER '21: Begins (20 Jun 10:32 PM [CST]); Ends (22 Sep 2:21 PM [CST])
- [4] Sis Sheree Miller was feeling under the weather experiencing eye problems [13 Jun]
- [5] Ladies Bible Class at the building (10 Jul @ 1:00 PM)
- [6] Brian Cadenhead [Houston, TX] (Bro Birdow's brother-in-law) passed away in his sleep [15 Jun]
- [7] Kelvin Porter [White Settlement, TX] (Sis Owen's brother) is assigned Hospice Care [15 Jun]
- [8] Juneteenth National Independence Day (celebrated on 19 Jun [12th Federal Holiday]) [17 Jun]
- [9] Sis Guthrie has completed ALL required procedures and is home fully recuperating: **NO** cancer found [19 Jun]

Birthdays & Anniversaries



June'21

- [21] Steve Owens, Jr
- [22] Mary Glaster
- [25] Jewel Hunter
- [30] Chris Hunter





**FOOD FOR
THOUGHT**

Our Heavenly Father's Day 2 Thessalonians 2:13 - 17

INTRODUCTION:

- A. What comes to mind when you hear the term "Father's Day"?
 1. Time spent with family reminiscing what wonderful things your dad did for you growing up?
 2. Perhaps the Sunday celebration of "Father's Day" traveling to present gifts of love, gratitude and appreciation? Maybe a special meal with everyone gathering around to eat, enjoy and celebrate?
- B. Hearing the term "Father's Day" one thing is for sure: If you are a blood-bought and adopted child of the living God (Gal 3:26, 27), your perfect, loving and adoring heavenly Father is certainly worth celebrating every day in every way – His special, "Father's Day!" due to what He Wanted and it was His Will to have us (Jas 1:18). Every good thing we have is from Him (Mt 7:7-11, Jas 1:17).
- C. Every good thing heaven has to offer has been given by our heavenly Father in Christ Jesus (Eph 1:3-10).
- D. He guides, provides, nurtures, protects, strengthens, comforts, leads, teaches, directs and disciplines us.
- E. He does so with mercy, pity, and compassion, remembering our frailties (Psa 103:8-14).

BODY:

- A. Paul felt obligated to give thanks to God for the Christians in Thessalonica. Doing this often, he refers to them: **brethren beloved of the Lord** (having been loved by the Lord).
- B. **That God chose you from the beginning unto salvation in sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth** (God choosing or determining before the world was created there would be two groups of people in the world (1 Cor 2:7; Eph 1:4; 3:5, 6, 11). All men would have freedom of choice.
 1. One group: believe, obey and live in accordance with God's Will; the other: live any way they wanted.
 - A. Each chooses the group by believing or rejecting the gospel.
 - B. It is God's Purpose to call both Jews and Gentiles for salvation (Tit 2:11).
- C. Paul says His Word is the sword of the Spirit (Eph 6:17). Jesus prayed (Jn 17:17).
- D. The wicked refused to believe the truth by believing the lie. The Thessalonica believed the truth by obeying the truth, they were sanctified (1 Cor 1:2). Set apart from the world of darkness into the kingdom of God's dear Son (Col 1:13).
- E. Paul says God called them through the preaching of the gospel (Ac 17:1-4).
- F. Those believing the gospel, obeyed and were the called of God. Others heard and rejected. God calls today by the preaching of the gospel (Rom 10:10-17).
 1. This is the reason the gospel must be preached to all the world in every generation (Mt 28:18-20; Mk 16:15, 16). Those rejecting by believing a lie will be lost.
 2. Those believing will be saved and share in the glory of Jesus when he comes again.
- G. Paul encouraged the Thessalonians to remain faithful to Christ. To remain faithful, they must cling to the teachings of God. **Traditions** (teachings handed down). God's Word is handed down as good (1 Cor 11:2; 2 The 3:6). When teachings of men are handed down claiming to be God's Word, it is sinful (Mt 15:3, 9; Gal 1:14; Col 2:8).
- H. Referring to Jesus as the Lord Jesus Christ (indicating full understanding of who He is). God is our Father giving Christians eternal encouragement. Hope is the everlasting abode with God and Christ in heaven by GRACE.
- I. Paul prayed to strengthen Christians to be more firm and steadfast in living right doing good and speaking truth.
- J. No person can live the Christian life alone, one needs help from God (Php 4:13) for strength and comfort.
- J. In celebrating with Him, we come together with His other blood-bought children (our Spiritual siblings in Christ) bearing our gifts of love, adoration and appreciation, gathering within His House (2 Pet 2:4, 5; 1 Tim 3:15).
- K. It is there we sing His praises and give Him Thanks (Eph 5:19, 20; Col 3:16, 17; Heb 3:15).
- L. On His Specially Set-Aside Day, we present Him with our gifts (1 Cor 16:1, 2).
- M. We have the privilege of sharing in the most sacred, special and meaningful meal ever provided, as we gather around the table of the Lord together (1 Cor 10:16, 17, 11:23-25; Ac 20:7).
- N. We do **NOT** frustrate the grace of God (Gal 2:21); we worship Him in both Spirit and in Truth (Jn 4:23, 24).
- O. As Our Heavenly Father, He is far too special to celebrate only occasionally or annually (once-a-year).

a godly Father is:



Faithful, to God and Family.
Able, to discern God's will in trying times and good times.
Thankful, for all the joys and trials of life.
Happy, no matter what the life brings.
Enthusiastic, about a life lived with purpose.
Righteous, rock-solid in heart and mind, from a growing relationship with Jesus.

For these things and so many more we praise God For our Fathers this Father's Day and always

