



# Whispering Hills

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

— GROWING TOGETHER —

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### SUNDAY Gathering Times

Bible Class **09:30 AM**  
Morning **10:30 AM**

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

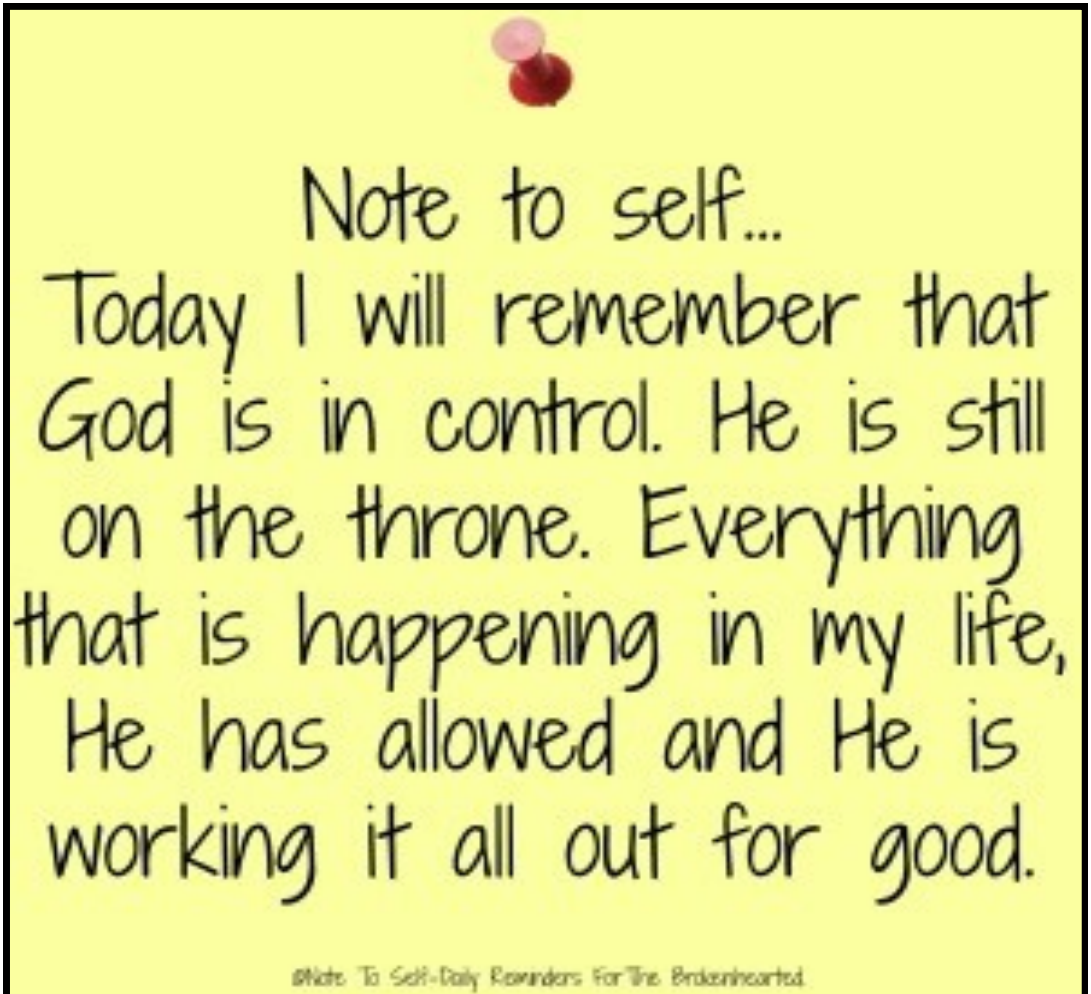
#### HOW TO BE SAVED

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)



Our goal is to **WORSHIP** God according to His Will just as  
the Christians in the 1<sup>st</sup> Century (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.





### Continuous PRAYERS

Walter Simon, Mack & Carolyn Cloud, Patricia Skinner, Ron Forge, Curtis Ward



### General

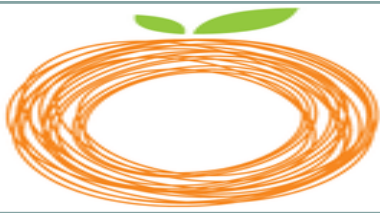
Greg Owens (Bro Owens' brother) is hospitalized  
 Michael Porter (Sis Owens' brother)  
 Bobby Osbourne (Sis Bell's brother)  
 Jessica McCants (Bro Ramsay's daughter)  
 Joel Sotelo [Mexico City] (Bro Ramsay's brother-in-law)  
 Wesley Pollard (Bro/Sis Simon's brother-in-law)  
 Lee Carpenter (Sis Simon's brother)  
 Baltimore Hernandez (Bro Spataro's brother-in-law)  
 Ronnie Sims (Sis Kaye's brother)  
 Miguel Graves, Jr (friend of Bro Owens, Jr)  
 Mark Gray (Sis Gray'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 continuing to live up to His Expectations and Commands through OBEDIENCE (Mt 7:21-23)
- [2] **BIBLE STUDY** (**S**unday, 06 Mar 22 @ 09:30 **AM**): Book of **Colossians** 1:1 - 8
- [3] **Daylight Savings Time** (**S**unday, 13 Mar 22 @ 0200 AM). Clocks are to be moved ahead - **1 hour** for **SPRING!!**
- [4] **Ladies Bible Class** (**S**aturday, 05 Apr 22 @ 1:00 PM): **Whispering Hills Church of Christ** [Duncanville]



- [ 4 ] Chris Hunter Jr
- [12] Joe Erwin
- [15] Amanda Hunter
- [16] Patricia Hunter
- [18] Pat White
- [26] Walter Simon



food for thought

## WHEN IS FAITH TOO LITTLE?

The Bible says, “For with God nothing shall be impossible” (Lk 1:37). The narrative is artlessly simple and natural being in its own complete vindication. It is the humble and child-like maiden to whom the supreme honor of womanhood is given. The choice was of pure GRACE. The angel, Gabriel, assures Mary nothing is impossible with God. The Creator-Spirit Himself wrought this divine miracle. The appearance of our Savior among mankind was the direct and immediate act of Deity (Php 2:7). “The word became flesh.” Here was the beginning of a new humanity, to be reproduced in all that believe, till the earth is filled with the “sons of God” (Rom 8:14). Even as God could have Elisabeth become pregnant who was past the childbearing years, He could have Mary have a child without a man being involved. Such is God’s Power.

On four different occasions Jesus used these words of rebuke: “...O ye of little faith?” (Mt 6:30; 8:25; 16:8; Lk 12:28). Three times they were directed toward one or more of His Apostles. The other time, during the sermon on the mount, they were to be applied more generally to all those gathered on that occasion. In each case Jesus emphasized their faith was insufficient. The question we should all contemplate is, “How Much Faith Is Too ‘Little Faith’?”

If we let worry overcome our faith in God to see us through, our faith is **Too Little!** When teaching on the necessities of life, and God’s power to care for us in those needs, Jesus said, “Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, **O ye of little faith?** Therefore **do not worry**, saying, ‘**Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?**’” (Mt 6:30, 31). Giving in to fear can weaken our faith to the point that it will be **Too Little!** While crossing the sea with His Disciples, Jesus fell asleep. A storm arose and the waves were overwhelming the boat. Fearful of sinking, the disciples woke Jesus, **And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish. And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? (Mt 8:25, 26).**

If we give in to doubt, our faith will be **Too little** to assure us of God’s protection and deliverance. When Jesus was walking on the water toward the apostles, who were in a boat crossing the sea, He told Peter to come to Him on the water. As long as Peter kept his focus on the Lord, he was able to walk on the surface of the water. But when he became distracted by the strong winds tossing the waves, he began to sink and cried out, “Lord, save me! And Immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, ‘**O ye of little faith, why did you doubt?**’” When we rely purely on human reasoning, leaving God out of the picture in a given matter, our faith is **Too Little!**

Jesus taught His Disciples a Spiritual lesson to be on guard against any negative influence from others. He said, “**Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees**” (Mt 16:6). Instead of Him asking them to explain what He Meant, they reasoned among themselves He must have been rebuking them for having forgotten to bring bread with them (v7). Jesus corrected them with these words: “**O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread (v8)?** There are other times when a person’s faith is **Too Little!** When a person will not make up his mind to become a Christian, his faith is **Too Little!** Jesus instructed, “**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**” (Mk 16:15, 16).

When a person will not commit to living a life of faithfulness to Christ, his faith is **Too Little!** Jesus said, “**...be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life**” (Rev 2:10). We could learn from Paul: “**I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me**” (Gal 2:20).

Is your faith strong, committed, enduring as His Word teaches? Or, is it **Too Little?**...



