

Announcements – Bulletin News April 9th, 2017



Nedra Henry: To My Church Family, I would like to thank you for all the acts of kindness shown towards me and my family during the illness and transition of my father. Please continue to pray for me and my family as we strive to carry on the legacy that our parents left through us. May God bless and keep you.

Harold McDonald:

Thank you for your prayers for my surgery and all your acts of kindness since then. I am on the road to recovery. Please keep me in your prayers.

April Schedule

Ladies Baptism: Shawna Wooden, Yolanda Adams

Bereavement: Melissa Martinez, Monique Bethea

Medical Staff: Daria Gainey

Brothers; the Order of Worship is available on line on Fridays

after 3pm @ www.chisholmtrailcofc.org

Blood Pressure Check

First Sunday of each month

Open Pantry: April 13th & 27th from 4-6 pm

From the Minister's Desk:

THE LAW OF INCLUSION & EXCLUSION (HEBREWS 8:1-5)

In the context of the eighth chapter of the book of Hebrews God warned Moses not to add to the specifications given for the construction of the tabernacle. In verse 5 we find these words: "... see saith he that thou make all things according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount." My friends when God gives a specific command, it not only demands doing **all** that is commanded, but it always places limitations on the action that is taken. Such a command is inclusive, and it is also

exclusive! It includes all within the command and it excludes everything else. Nothing can be added to it nor taken from it. Nor can obey by substituting or doing something else. But if a generic command is given, then there is a choice of action while still being obedient to the command. A generic command does not specify as to how, when or where. What is not specified can be considered optional in a generic command.

God made man a worshipping being, but God want man to direct his worship to the proper object an in the proper way. Jesus, in his conversation with the woman at the well stated: God is a spirit and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24). Had God commanded man to "just worship" then man would be at liberty to worship anything, in any way he pleased. He could worship Baal, Dagon, Molich or any heathen god or idol. Man could have worshipped in paganism, heathenism or any religious system available to him. But God never gave such a command.

God was specific when he told Israel; "I am the Lord thy God. Thou shalt have no other gods before me" (Ex.20:2-3). The worship of God was specifically set forth by Jesus our Lord in Matt. 4:10; "thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve." Jesus reemphasizes this fact again in Matt. 22:37-38, "Thou shalt love the love the Lord thy God with all heart and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This the first & great commandment." The apostle John, while banished to the Isle of Patmos for the testimony of Jesus said; "And when I had seen and heard, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel which showed me these things. Then saith he unto me, see, thou do it not: for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren, the prophets, & of these that keep the sayings of this book: worship God. (Rev. 19:10). My friends, this specific command rules out any other kind of worship to other gods! It is "inclusive & exclusive."

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Up Coming Events:



Homeless Program
Will resume on April 10th. Those who are preparing meals; we will meet in the kitchen at 1:30.

Bridal Shower for Dorothy Burgess-Forbes April 23, 2017 at 3:00 in the ladies lounge. Sis. Webb

Church Picnic- April 29th 2017, 10 to 3. Donations will be accepted. Bro. LaVance Adkins

VBS Planning: There is a VBS planning committee sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer for those interested in being on the committee. Bro. Neely



Hermeneutics; Saturday, April 15th, 10 a.m. to noon.

Teacher's Meeting, Today after morning worship, room 9.

Picnic Planning Meeting-for all those interested on being on the committee. Monday April 10th at 7 p.m. here at the building. Bro. LaVance Adkins

Authentic Manhood; Saturday April 22nd 9am.

Ladies Bible Class; 9:30am – 11:30am;. Saturday, April 22nd

Area Wide Events:

Practical Evangelism Seminar

April 15, 2017; 10-2pm. Augusta C of C church building. Contact Jesse LeMay @ 405-269-6376.

Never.Give.Up. Seminar; 4/23-26/17Arkansas City, C of C; 2700 N. Summit

Emporia Avenue Church of Christ Ladies Day 2017; April 29th, 9am to 11:30am.

Women Walking With God

April 21-22, 2017. Register at www.WomenWalkingWithGod.org

Alva Singing School- 6/4-9/17 College Hill C of C Alva, OK

52nd Midwest Regional Singing:

Oct. 6-8, 2017; Double Tree by Hilton, Overland Park, Room Rates: Singles & Doubles: \$115 plus tax triple & quads: \$135 plus tax. Phone: 913.451.6100, ask for Midwest Regional Singing 2017.

29th Annual Marriage Retreat & Seminar: November 10-12, 2017.

Information & sign-up sheet on table in the foyer.

Youth News

Scholarship Applications are being accepted by Wichita Alumnae Chapter of Delta, Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. for 2017 graduates from High School. Information is on the table in the foyer.

Membership 2017: Baptized 6; Placed Membership: 4