

Announcements – Bulletin News May 7th, 2017

From the Minister's Desk

What will Happen when Jesus Comes Again?

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On numerous occasions throughout the last two thousand years, small groups of “faithful followers” have huddled on mountaintops or in secret rooms, waiting for the Second Coming of Christ as predicted to occur on a certain day, and at a certain time, by some religious leader. Yet, although the predictions of Christ’s return have been copious, each group of expectants “believers” has been disappointed to find that they had been misled. When will Christ return, and what will occur on this Earth when He does come back the second (and last) time? The first question regarding the time of Christ’s Second Coming is rather easy to answer, thanks to material found within the Bible. In Matthew 24:36, after describing the signs that would lead to the destruction of Jerusalem, Jesus shifted the topic to His Second Coming. In contrast to the many signs that the early Christians were told to expect prior to the destruction of Jerusalem, Jesus made it clear that there would be **no** signs whereby one could predict His Second Coming. He stated: “But of that day and hour no one knows, no, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.... Therefore, you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not expect Him” (Matthew 24:36,44). In another portion of Scripture, the apostle Paul told the Thessalonian brethren that the day of the Lord would come “as a thief in the night” (1 Thessalonians 5:2). When will Jesus return? The simple answer to that question is—nobody on this Earth has any idea. The next question dealing with the events that will occur at the Second Coming requires a much more extensive answer. When Christ

ascended to heaven, forty days after His resurrection, He “was taken up, and a cloud received Him” out of the sight of His apostles (Acts 1:9). Immediately following His ascension, two men clothed in white apparel stood by the awe-stricken apostles and said to them, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven” (Acts 1:11). From that moment, the apostles waited for Christ’s Second Coming. The Second Coming, in fact, provided one of the main themes of the apostles’ preaching. Paul, especially, emphasized this event as one that would be glorious and joyful for the faithful in Christ—both those who were living when Christ returned, and those who had died in Christ. In relating some of the events that would accompany Christ’s Second Coming, Paul wrote: “For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air” (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17). The event, as Paul described it, would be one of splendor and comfort for those faithful to Christ. Christ will not send an angel or some other dignitary to bring Christians to heaven, but He will come “Himself.” His coming will be announced with a loud shout, the voice of an archangel, and the trumpet of God. According to Paul, Christ will not “sneak back” to Earth, but will be announced in a glorious fashion for all to see. (To Be Continued Next Week).
Bro Barry L Gainey, Minister.

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Up Coming Events

 Contributions will be taken up for the benevolence program today.

VBS June 12th-16th, 6:30pm-8:30pm.

Teachers are needed!! There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for those who are willing to teach and be helpers for the classes. Bro. Neely

Metropolitan Chorus will sing at Rolling Hills Rehabilitation on Sat. May 13th at 3:15pm. Sis. Mel Nelson



Saturday May 20th, 6-9pm

 **Teacher's Meeting, Sunday May 14th has been cancelled. Bro. Neely.**

Young Adult Ministry Meeting, May 21st after morning worship in room 14. All young adults are invited to attend. Sis. Daria Gainey.

Hermeneutics, May 20th 2017 at 10am
Authentic Manhood, Saturday May 27th at 9:00am.

Ladies Bible Class Saturday May 27th, 9:30-11:30am.

29th Annual Marriage Retreat & Seminar
November 10-12, 2017. Information & sign-up sheet on table in the foyer.

Youth 14-17 years: 2017 The Way to Work (TWTW) Summer Youth Employment Program. Information is on the table in the foyer for youth wanting to earn money this summer. Contact Ms. Tahizia “Taj” at 316-462-3761 or tterry@wichita.gov for details.



Bro. Fred Brown

I would like to thank those who offered their sympathy and concern to me due to the loss of my grandson.

Crigler, Jones & Watkins families; to the body at Chisholm Trail, please know that all acts of kindness, including cards, calls, food, flowers, prayers, thoughts & contributions were received with much appreciation. Your thoughtfulness and love for dad and our family was truly felt.



The church would like to express sincere sympathy to members who have lost loved ones;
Sis. Ophelia Richardson due to the loss of her Aunt, Willa Faye Jefferies, the funeral was yesterday in Coolidge Arizona.

The Franklin Family; Gary's brother and Tyler's uncle, Major Franklin Jr. passed away this past Tuesday.

May Schedule

Ladies Baptism: Stephanie Barnes, Dana Howard

Bereavement: Nedra & Dennis Henry

Medical Staff: Porsha Adkins

Brothers; the Order of Worship is available on line on Fridays after 3pm @ www.chisholmtrailcofc.org

Blood Pressure Check Today after morning worship.

Open Pantry; May 11th & 25th, 4-6 pm.

Membership 2017

Baptized 8 /Placed Membership 4