

## Announcements – Bulletin News

October 9<sup>th</sup> 2016

### *From the Minister's Desk*

**Bro. Barry Gainey**

**Transformation: The change begins with me**

“And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

(Romans 12: 1-2)

Within this verse we find a fundamental truth; the need for change. I believe we should make the necessary changes in our lives to be better people for the Lord.

Wouldn't you agree?

While it is sad but true, many people do not see the need for a change. They have become comfortable and complacent with their spiritual growth and no longer welcome any opportunities for further growth. How many time have you heard someone say “This is just the way I am.” This is the cry of many who truly feel it is a matter of impossibility for them to change or grow.

Every child of god must believe that they can become the strong Christian that God intends for all of us to be. In Philippians 4” 13 we are reminded that we can ... “do all things through Christ that strengthens me. “Every day we should be striving to become less and less like ourselves, while becoming more our Lord and savior Jesus Christ. This thought is reflected in Romans 8:29 where Paul said we are ...” conform to the image of his son.” If this is to take place, transformation must take place on the inside that is truly evident on the outside.

The question may be asked; How does this transformation take place? I believe the apostle Paul give us the answer. In Galatians

2:20 he says, “I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless, I live’ yet no I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh, I now live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” This requires a daily dying to selfish attitudes, desires and motives. It also involves putting the needs of others before our own (Phil. 2” :3-4). Transformation continues through daily communion with our heavenly Father in prayer (1Thess. 5:17); daily Bible study (2 Tim. 2:15); regular worship and Bible class attendance (Heb. 10:25) and sharing the word of God with others (Matthew 28:19-20). May these things and others help us to make the transformation in our lives that will always give honor and glory to our heavenly Father.



Thank you! **Clifford & Sharon Easley**

**family:** thank you for showing your support especially your prayers during this time of sorrow. May God bless you.

**Eckas family;** your kind and thoughtful expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged.

**Budget**                    \$8,000.00  
**October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016**  
Offering                    7,571.00  
Benevolence                803.00

**Membership 2016**  
Baptized /Placed Membership 6

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### Up Coming Events

**The Teacher's meeting that was scheduled for today has been canceled.**

**Elders and Deacons Meeting Tomorrow at 6 p.m.**

**Installation Ceremony** for Bro. Gainey will be on Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup>, immediately following morning services. Bro. Roy Montgomery, minister at Estes Park Church of Christ in Oklahoma City will be our Guest Speaker for Sunday morning service. There will be a fellowship dinner following the Installation. Sign-up sheets for desserts, side dishes and clean up are on the table in the foyer. There will be no evening service.

**AGES Golden National Association of Celebrated Seniors (NACS)**

April 21-April 23 2017, held in St. Louis MO. at the St. Louis Union Station a Double Tree by Hilton. Early Registration is \$80 due by December 31<sup>st</sup>, after that date it is \$90. Anyone interested in attending please contact Sis. Melissa Wright.

**FALL FESTIVAL** Friday  
**October 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm** in the multipurpose room. Youth of all ages are welcome to come. Bro. Cornelius Adkins.

**Care Group Meeting;** there will be a meeting Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> after morning worship for anyone who is interested in

passing out tracts & for those who would like to be in a Care Group. The tracts will be passed out to the community on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will meet at here at the building at 10:00am and pass out the tracts until noon.



**Hermeneutics Class, Sat. Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 10am.**

**Ladies Bible Study, Sat. Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at noon.**

**Care Group 1, Sat. Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 1pm**  
**Ladies Education meeting Sat. Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3pm.**

**Authentic Manhood, Sat. Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Worship service training for the brothers will follow the Authentic Manhood session, all brothers are encouraged to attend.**

### Ladies Retreats and Conferences

There is sign-up sheets for up-coming Ladies Events in the foyer.

### Blood Pressure Check

First Sunday of each month

### October Schedule

**Ladies Baptism:** Shirley Hicks, Stephanie Johnson

**Bereavement:** LaVance & Erica Adkins

**Medical Staff:** Porsha Adkins  
**Brothers;** the Order of Worship is available on line on Fridays after 3pm @ [www.chisholmtrailcofc.org](http://www.chisholmtrailcofc.org).  
**Open Pantry, Thurs, Oct 13 & 27<sup>th</sup>.**