

Announcements – Bulletin News

October 23rd 2016

From the Minister's Desk

Bro. Barry Gainey

A Growing Membership Produces a Growing Church

“Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls”

(Acts 2:41)

Have you ever wondered why the church doesn't grow as fast as it did in the 1st Century?

The answer is based on the same principle by which people were saved. Spiritual maturity of the church is determined by the development of each individual member.

When the Church was established in the city of Jerusalem, Luke recorded what caused the church to multiply so rapidly.

First, by their confession that they were guilty of crucifying the Son of God, repenting of their past sins and being baptized for the forgiveness of their sins, thus becoming children of God (Galatians 3:36-27).

Secondly, after their baptism, they continued in the apostles teaching (Acts 2:42). In other words, they advanced in their knowledge about Christ. They also remained active in their fellowship which strengthened their relationship with one another.

Thirdly, as they continued to grow in the word, their spiritual and social activities continued from the worship assemblies into their homes. This spiritual growth afforded them the joy of togetherness. They enjoyed the benefits and security that comes with unity.

Finally, the 1st Century Church grew as a result of their attitude toward worship. Luke records for us; “Praising God and having favor with all the people, and the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved”

(Acts 2:47). When these new Christians obeyed the gospel of Jesus Christ they were not ashamed to let others know that Jesus died on the cross for their sins. This spirit of gratitude was reflected in their worship. What attitude do we possess toward our salvation and worship? Are we thankful to be a member of the Church of Christ? Do we approach our worship with an expectation of giving our best to the Lord? Are we ashamed to invite others to be our guest at worship? The 1st Century Church grew because they were committed to growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18). As the leadership and the membership grow in knowledge of the word of God and in their relationship with each other, while sharing the word with the lost, these will produce a growing church!

October Schedule

Ladies Baptism: Shirley Hicks, Stephanie Johnson

Bereavement: LaVance & Erica Adkins

Medical Staff: Porsha Adkins

Blood Pressure Check

First Sunday of each month

Open Pantry, Thurs, Oct 27th, 4-6pm.



Dedrian & Tansy McNulty,
6710 Gunlock Creek, San Antonio TX.
78244.

Marriage Committee will meet on November 6, 2016 after A.M worship in room 14. Bro. Rickey Nelson

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Up Coming Events



A Farwell Fellowship for Sis. Juanita McCoy who will be today after evening worship. October Birthdays will be recognized also.



Ceremony for **Bro. Gainey** will be next Sunday 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. **The fellowship committee is asking that members bring desserts and salads. If you can help with serving and clean up; please see Sis. Ineta Roberson.** There will be no evening service.



AGERS 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. If interested contact Sis. Melissa Wright.



October 28th from 6-8pm in the multipurpose room. Youth of all ages are welcome to come. Bro. Cornelius Adkins.

Bro. Gainey was interviewed by The Community Voice as a New Minister in the community. You may read the article @ www.thecomunnityvoice.com beginning Wednesday October 26th and on Face Book.

The article will be featured in The Community Voice's November 3rd Issue.



Authentic Manhood, Sat. Oct. 29th at 9am. “Worship Service Training” will follow the Authentic Manhood session; all brothers are encouraged to attend.

Chisholm Trail Church of Christ Ladies Year End Seminar

“Not Looking Back, Looking Forward.” Sat. Dec 10th, 2016
No daycare provided, young ladies 12 years welcome.

Area Wide Events

Making the Most Out of Your Life, Sat. Nov 5th, 2016, Kansas State Fair Grounds

Northside Church of Christ, Jacksonville, Florida; 62nd Annual Church Anniversary Nov 5-11, 2016

Information is in the foyer on the table on the above Area events.

Membership 2016

Baptized 6/ Placed Membership 6