

# WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



“every disciple that is perfect shall be as his master.” Luke 6:40b

## HOW TO HAVE A GOOD NEW YEAR

It's the time of year when we look at the old year, regret in some ways it's passing, and promise to do better in the next. One thing we all should resolve to do is grow closer to God, through prayer and study of His word. Here are a few reasons why:

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." - Matthew 6:33

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." - Philippians 4:13

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:" - Matthew 7:7

"Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life." - John 6:68

"Abraham believed God and it was counted unto him for righteousness" - Romans 4:3

"Without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." - Romans 11:6

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally" - James 1:5

"Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." - Philippians 4:6

"That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men but in the power of God." - 1 Corinthians 2:5

“Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” - Matthew 6:19-21

Tell God where your treasure really is by studying His word and going to him in prayer often, every day of the New Year and you'll have a good one.

- Ed Kelleher, West Columbia church of Christ, South Carolina

Putting, and keeping, God's word inside you will help you ...

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Sun 6 PM Assembly: 44  
Weds 7 PM Bible Study: 42  
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BEARING THE BURDENS OF LIFE  
PM: Jerry Manning  
GOING THE SECOND MILE

"Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God,  
that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care  
upon him; for he careth for you." - 1 Peter 5:6,7

*A Warm Welcome awaits you at all our services. Come see!*  
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## **“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16**

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Lamar Reeves, Beryl Parks, Nina Ruth Meadows (Marcella Klieves' mother), Jack and Elma Berrier, Lynn Drago (Jerry's sister) and Phyllis Johnson.
- Remember **Carolyn Lee** who is home with back problems.
- Also, **Jimmy Gist** is not doing well as he undergoes chemo for lung cancer.
- We were all thrilled for our sister **Vernicia Matthews** who was able to be out with us Sunday AM after a long recovery from surgery.
- **Beryl and Trevia Parks** are under the weather.
- Sister **Jean Boyd** has been having severe leg pains
- **Brother Manning** has many Bible studies during the week, remember these, those that are recovering from loss, in your prayers.

**"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." - Colossians 4:19**

## **“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42**

- **College age Bible study now on TUESDAYS at 8 pm.**
- Volunteers needed to **clean building** in 2010.
- **Transportation** needed for sisters **Betty Mathis, Jean Boyd and Marilyn Brooks.**
- **Pantry items** to bring to the church building. Remember, pop-tops are best.

**12/27** Chef Boyardee Spaghetti & Meatballs **12/20** Delmonte Sliced Pears

**"If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them." - Romans 11:14**

## **“WEEP WITH THEM THAT WEEP” - Romans 12:15**

- Brother **William Stoyk**, Michael's dad passed away last week. He never recovered from his recent stroke. A service was held at the building Tuesday evening. Remember **Michael, Deborah, Rebecca** and the family in your prayers.

**“O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.” - 1 Corinthians 15:55-58**

**Let us all strive to ...**

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## **THINK YOU'RE DOING OK?**

Jesus testified of the many good works of the Ephesian church. He laid out an impressive list of what they had done:

**“I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.” - Revelation 2:2-3**

Have we done as much? Yet, those good works didn't make up for what they had lost—the love of Christ; the reliance on His word, and His word alone, for all we do—and don't do:

**“Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.” - Revelation 2:4-5**

The Ephesian brethren were faithful in many ways, but as Paul warned them in Acts 20, wolves and false brethren would arise and tear the flock—tear them away from their first love, Christ. Jesus told us how we should love him:

**“If ye love me, keep my commandments.” - John 14:15**

## **THE “OLD 100th” PSALM STILL HAS IT ALL**

**“Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.” - Psalm 100**

It may be “the old 100th”, but it still defines the beginning: **“Know ye that the LORD he is God”**; the middle: **“Serve the LORD with gladness”**; and the end: **“... to all generations”** of our relationship to God. Everyone ought to memorize this wonderful psalm and teach it to their children at an early age.

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**It's up to you! To ...**

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