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“...churches of Christ salute you” (Rom 16:16)
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Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Class..... 9:00 a.m.
AM Worship... 10:00 a.m.
PM Worship.... 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Study.... 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday:

Ladies' Bible Class(Sept.–Apr.)
Class meets at 10 a.m.

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Darrell Allen
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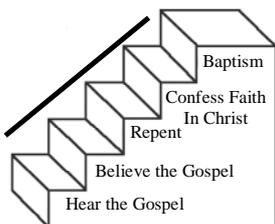
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CUSTODIANS

Mike & Elizabeth Garrison

THE GOSPEL PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear-Romans 10:17
Believe-John 8:24
Repent-Acts 17:30
Confess-Romans 10:10
Be Baptized-Acts 22:16
Saved - in Christ (Galatians 3:27)



Handling Aright The Word Of Truth

Don Hatch

Who has not faced problems wanting and needing help to develop a solution, to know the answer which best suites the circumstances? The evidence can be encountered in reviewing countless lives of the ancients. Affirming, emphasizing, explaining that God is the answer and in His book the assurance is boldly manifested and constitutes the basics of dealing with issues. Affirmation and examples insert answers to crucial questions of life, enabling mankind to maintain dignity and honor. Books of the Bible answer crucial questions with thoughtful remarks and dialog.

The Bible glorifies God and contributes through explanations information about truth. Is there absolute truth? Reality is accurate describing and presenting a means to ascertain what truth is. To say truth is absolute means that the facts, when presented, are in accord with reality or have fidelity to standards and ideals which are beyond question. Specifically the Bible teaches the same things, just exactly as they were taught when the writing of it was complete. The fact that various men have drawn differing (sometimes contradictory) conclusions as to what the Bible teaches does not change one thing taught centuries before any of these men lived. The Bible says Jesus Christ was born of a virgin. The *modernists* have denied this, but it does not change the teachings of the Bible. If one is to use the Bible for counsel, concerning weighty questions it must be believed. It has withstood the test of time wherein countless other sources have come to an untimely end.

It is possible for mankind to know truth and that truth will set them free (Jn 8:32). Bible truth is attainable and possible for mankind to know and use in decision making. Living a Christian life is possible and necessary. Becoming a Christian embraces a series of Bible truths which amend the life of a believer. Knowing what sin is and that an individual can discern right from wrong is part of the conversion of an alien to a faithfully obedient believer (Heb 5:11-14). Making decisions to be a Christian takes consideration of what the law of sin and death implies and how the law of the Spirit sets one free from sin. Each spiritual decision made by an individual assures one that God will supply principles to practice

making righteous and holy choices. God provides help in solving the problems which confront a person desiring to live a Christian life (Jas 1:1-25). The Bible is not as difficult to understand as some would make it out to be. First we must take easier passages and understand them. Next we will compound what we have learned and move to the more difficult passages. Each step of the Christian's life advances the ability to solve problems. It is often insisted that certain people know more than God because they change God's ways which are clearly set forth. No one can make decisions about the Christian walk if the rules keep changing.

Guidance for the Christian life does not come by "feelings". Atheists and agnostics each claim they know that there is no God and no one can know Him. Some under the influence of "romantic philosophy" stress *feelings* more than valid reasoning and evidence claiming God does not exist. If God does not exist, then we cannot know that the Bible is His word. If we cannot know that the Bible is His word, then we cannot know that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and has been raised from the dead. Moreover, our faith would be in vain (1 Cor 15:12-17). On the day the church began Peter assured the believers that they could know the truth of the gospel (Acts 2:22-26). Any *feeling* which teaches contrary to the Bible is invalid. The Bible is the word of God and has been proven faithful in all cases. It is a book which can be *trusted to guide us in all matters great and small*. The proper role of logic (principles of valid reasoning) must be used to know and understand the Bible. No one can become a Christian unless there is an understanding of the truth of the gospel of salvation. The *plan of salvation* must be understood before it can be obeyed. The Bible has *supportive information* which concludes that it is reasonable to use it for guidance in a Christian's life. No one can understand the Bible without proper use of principles of valid reasoning. The revolt against reason inclines its practitioners toward the unrealistic.

It comes as no surprise that there are forces which are stripping the Bible of its value to guide the Christian. The first century brethren were accosted, but overcame and gave witness that the Bible is a unique volume inspired by God (2 Tim 3:16, 17). God's word has been sufficient through the ages to answer each and every problem. Assuredly prayerful, diligent study of the Holy Writ will guide us to do that which is right, honorable and faithful. All false teachings will be overcome. Our personal study, Bible class, lectureships, gospel meetings and participating in worship lead us to "give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth" (2 Tim 2:15).

FAMILY CARE
A Message from Our Shepherds

This congregation has a long tradition of helping preaching students and their families with financial aid. This year has been no exception. We began in January by helping Roy and Tricia Connor of the Northwest Church of Christ. Our Bro. Robert Dodson highly recommended them for the Brown Trail School of Preaching. As you can see from their report cards below, they are at the top of their classes. We pray that they will continue to glorify God throughout their lives. Roy wrote:

Dear Brethren,

Another quarter has come to an end, and I just finished a week off from school. Really anxious to get back to this quarter as I have really been looking forward to this quarter in particular due to the classes lined up for this term. This quarter we will be taking: Scheme of Redemption, Prison Epistles, Galatians, Life and Teachings of Christ, New Testament Overview, The Life and Work of a Preacher, Homiletics III, and Greek II. I am so thankful for your support that we have the opportunity to devote our time to the study of God's Word. This truly is an amazing work that you help so generously, and I hope you understand what your support really does for my family. I have been teaching the high school class at the Crandall congregation and what a blessing it has been to be able to get my feet wet and teach. The Brown Trail School of Preaching and faithful Christians like you have had a life changing effect on our whole life.

The Brown Trail School of Preaching Grade Report Form



Student: Roy Conner

Year: 1	September 2013	Quarter: 3
NUMBER	COURSE NAME	GRADE
1205	Current Issues Facing the church	A+
1206	Bible Geography	A
1401	Mark	A+
1402	Genesis	A+
1403	Exodus	A
1404	Fundamentals II	A+
1407	Greek I	A+
General Conduct Grade		A
Days Absent		0
Times Tardy		0

These things command and teach. Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an ensample to them that believe, in word, in manner of life, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give heed to reading, to exhortation, to teaching. Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. Be diligent in these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy progress may be manifest unto all. Take heed to thyself, and to thy teaching. Continue in these things; for in doing this thou shalt save both thyself and them that hear thee" (1 Tim 4:11-16).

Because Of Christ I Can

Gospel Meeting

October 20-23, 2013



Meet our preacher for this year's meeting

Cory Collins preaches with the Keller Church of Christ in Keller, Texas. A native of Nashville, Tennessee, he has a bachelor's degree in Bible, with a minor in biblical languages, from Lipscomb University. He obtained the Master of Arts in Religion from Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia. In the early 1980s he worked in a mission program in Tower One in the World Trade Center in New York City, teaching English and Bible to immigrants from 25 countries. During that time he also served with the Manhattan Church of Christ. In addition to preaching, he has served as Dean of Students and instructor in Bible at Heritage Christian University in Florence, Alabama. He has been active in preaching and missions in several states, as well as Australia, Canada, Mexico, Scotland, and South Africa. His wife Tanya formerly taught third grade at Mars Hill Bible School, where she was named "Teacher of the Year." They have been married since 1977 and have two children.

"Because of Christ I can"

Sunday

Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM-

"Because of Christ I Can Enjoy the Journey" (the second mile)

Worship 10:00 AM-

"Because of Christ I Can Be Part of God's Family" (Acts 2)

Evening Worship 6:00 PM-

"Because of Christ I Can Launch Out into the Deep" (Luke 5)

Week Nights

Monday Evening 7:30 PM-

"Because of Christ I Can Lead My Family to Heaven" (Col 3)

Tuesday Evening 7:30 PM-

"Because of Christ I Can Find and Grant Forgiveness" (Luke 7; Matt 18)

Wednesday Evening 7:30 PM-

"Because of Christ I Can See Heaven" (1 Thess)

Family News:

News at Belt Line.
Call in your information to the office at:
972-790-8606 by Sunday evening.

GREETER ASSIGNMENTS

October 13, 2013

Front foyer: Robert & Cathy Taylor

Back foyer: Henry Seidmeyer & Nancy Pond

October 20, 2013

Front foyer: Dale & Katherine Cox

Back foyer: Bill & Linda Matthews

Sermon Titles

October 13, 2013

a.m: "Be Stong In The Lord"

Scripture: Jude 24-25

p.m: "According To Our God Given Abilities"

Scripture: To Be Announced

October 20, 2013

a.m: "Your Zeal "

Scripture: 2 Cor. 9:1-5

p.m: "Peacemakers"

Scripture: James 3:13-18

Contribution Counters For October

Thomas Rathbun & Mike Garrison

Communion Preparation For October

Bill & Linda Matthews

MISSION PRINTING

Mission Printing will meet *Sunday* at 4:00 p.m. in the Jr. Auditorium to collate booklets. Please come help us.

SINGING CLASS

The *Singing Class* meets every Sunday in room #116 at 5:15 to learn new songs and sing the old standards.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bobby Bowen, Fauna Garrett, Frances LaFerney, Jan Smithson, Hank Henry, Elsie Nanney, Roy & Helen Thomas, Tim Fowler, Marietta Houser, Mary Walker, Denzil & Billie Myers, Shelia Martin, Jane Easter, Bill Matthews, Harold Keller

Those In Need Of Prayer

·**Donna Ruth**, sister of **Joann Hatch** is getting worse and they have moved her to a skilled nursing facility.

·**Carolyn Renfro** will be having knee surgery today.

·**Jean Forbus**, mother of **Debra Alonzo** fell Wednesday and broke her wrist. The doctor could not get her wrist set right so they may have to do surgery. She is in Oklahoma.

·**Myrtle Wade** had to go to the ER last Wednesday and was admitted to Baylor Irving. She went home on Thursday and she received good test results.

·**Donna Davis** is not feeling well and they are running tests on her.

·**Bobby England's** 24 year old niece **Jennifer England** is in Parkland Hospital. She has had a stroke. Please keep this family in your prayers.

·**Abraham Burns** brother of Sara Grosshuesch has been diagnosed with cancer.

·There are many others who are suffering with various illnesses. Please keep them in your daily prayers.

LADIES

Ladies Bible Class will be Tuesday, **October 8th** at 10:00

a.m. in the annex. The lesson will be on **Romans, Chapter 5.**

Bear Ministry

Stuffers – please pick up your bears.

Ladies Day

October 12th at the Webb Chapel Church from 9:00 – 12:30. Lunch and child care will be provided. See **Beverly McKey** if you would like to attend.

39'ers

39'ers will meet **October 14th** at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex. Please bring food and enjoy the wonderful fellowship. Don Herriage will "pick and grin" for the group after eating.

White Rock Fund Annual Reporting And Fund-Raising Day

October 19, 2013. You are encouraged to attend, and to bring a guest. Pre-register for the Buffet Luncheon! **Call: 214-926-2747** Further information is on the bulletin board.

Gospel Meeting

Our Gospel Meeting will be **October 20-23, 2013.** Our guest preacher is **Cory Collins** of Keller, Texas. Please attend every service and bring your friends and family. There are cards to mail out in both foyers also there is full page information to put up in different places.

"If God be for us, who can be against us?" **Romans 8:31**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

10/14/13 – 39'ers

10/15/13 – Ladies Bible Class – 10 a.m.

10/20-10/23/13 – Gospel Meeting

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY'S

- Anne Herriage – 10/5
- Gearldean Jones – 10/8
- Steven Grosshuesch – 10/8
- Annette Kaiser – 10/10
- Mary Bowen – 10/12
- Carolyn Renfro – 10/14
- Brandon Howard – 10/18
- Janie Walker – 10/19
- Marinell Zaun – 10/20
- Stephanie Howard – 10/22
- Jan Smithson – 10/22
- Richard Renfro – 10/22
- Roy Martin – 10/24
- Letitia Beverly – 10/26
- Bobby England – 10/30
- Sandy Hall – 10/31

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- Bobby & Brenda England – 10/9
- Robert & Betty Ruckman – 10/10
- Richard & Carolyn Renfro – 10/15
- Roy & Helen Thomas – 10/15
- Darrell & Melissa Allen – 10/24

*If unable to serve on the Lord's table,
Please contact Mike Batot at:
(972)741-2397*

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THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE THIS SUNDAY

<u>LORD'S TABLE (MORNING)</u>		10/13/13	<u>SUNDAY A.M. PRAYERS</u>
<u>Front Table</u>	<u>Rear Table</u>		· Richard Renfro
·Dean Webb	·Bobby England		· Mike Garrison
·Nathan Allen	·Robert Taylor		· Ken Lee
·Brandon Howard	·Ethan Howard		
·Glen Kelly	·Derrol Allen		<u>A.M. SCRIPTURE READING</u>
·Dale Cox			· Thomas Rathbun
·Robert Ruckman			Jude 24-25
			<u>SUNDAY P.M. PRAYERS</u>
			· Glen Kelly
			· Bill Matthews
			<u>P.M. SCRIPTURE READING</u>
			· Nathan Allen
			To Be Announced
			<u>P.M. SONG LEADER(S)</u>
			· Jerry McKey – Steve Grosshuesch

FOR THE RECORD: ATTENDANCE & BUDGET NUMBERS

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>YTD Avg.</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sun. Class	59	78	73	100
A.M. Worship	136	107	131	150
P.M. Worship	62	62	66	80
Wed. Class	71	72	71	85
Contribution	\$4683	\$5502	\$5198	\$5470

MISSIONS

- Glen Tattersall – Australia
- Roland & Rose Moshen – France
- Gary & Nadya Workman – Ukraine
- Charlie & Mary DiPalma – Australia
- Oleg & Natasha Yakimenko – Russia
- Willie & Del Gley – Ghana/Togo, Africa
- David & Paula Tarbet – New Milford, CT
- Wil & Telanda Sadler – Military Missions
- Roy Conner – Brown Trail Preaching Student
- Wayne Jackson – Christian Courier on the Web
- Christ's Haven Children's Home – Keller, TX
- Foster's Home for Children – Stephenville, TX
- Ted Lingren – Sisophon Bible School – Cambodia
- Rohan & Sandra Jones – Cape Town, South Africa
- Mission Printing Worldwide Literature Distribution
- Terry & Pam Laurence – Ft. Defiance, Arizona – Navajo
- Dennis & Beth Johnson – Chennai Teacher Training School – India

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