

Revelation 3:20

20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.

Matthew 22:1-14

1 And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, 2 "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, 3 and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. 4 Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast."' 5 But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, 6 while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them 7 The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8 Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. 9 Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' 10 And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. 11 "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. 12 And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. 13 Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14 For many are called, but few are chosen.

Luke 14:16-24

16 "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. 17 And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' 18 But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.' 19 And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.' 20 And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. 21 So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.' 22 And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' 23 And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. 24 For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.

1 John 4:18

18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

Luke 10:2

2 "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.

Reference Matthew 25 and Revelation 21:8



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We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you for being here at services today to worship the one true and living God. If you are visiting we are so glad you have come our way and would invite you back. If you are visiting we would ask if you would remain briefly after services so we might get the chance of meeting you in person and welcoming you here. Welcome!

If you are looking for a church home, have a question of us, want to learn more about your spiritual walk and relationship with Jesus Christ would like to set up a personal or group bible study or are in need or know of some who are in need of assistance please take the time and meet with us, we would love to visit with you to see how we may serve you.

There are often times we get a invitation for all kinds of things throughout our lives. We may get invited to lunch, a date, we may get invited to go out to the movies or get the invitation to a upcoming birthday, anniversary or wedding celebration. Our Lord has also "invited" us to be a part of Him and His family. We in turn are supposed to extend that invitation to others even if it means we go out into the highways and hedges and plead to those as John's text speaks of. The question each of us has to ask ourselves. How well are we extending the invitation? Or have we kept it more to ourselves? We have a great opportunity this year to use ourselves for His purpose only if we choose to. Lets examine our hearts and lets all be more committed to focus on just that "one" person. Look what the end of this year will look like if we all commit to "ONE". Lets prayerfully consider doing our part in His kingdom this year as we start out 2016!

Worship And Study Opportunities

Sunday:

Bible School.....9:30 A.M
Worship.....10:30 A.M
Evening Worship....6:00 P.M

Wednesday:

Ladies Bible Class.....10:30 A.M.
Mid-Week Bible Class....7:00 P.M.

ELDER OF THE MONTH:.....Charles Kelsey

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.....Glen Wampler

RECORDS OF THE WEEK

Bible School:42
Morning Worship:80
Evening Worship:36
Mid-Week:33
Ladies Class:
Contribution:\$7,597.00
Weekly Budget:\$3,909.00

THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Opening Prayer:Tim Curtis
Closing Prayer:Jerry Golson

Scripture:Eric Sharum

Sunday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Keith Parrish
Closing Prayer:Klaus Mueller

Wednesday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Charlie Kelsey
Closing Prayer:Greg Ray

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If you would like to see a past sermon you can go to our web site and click on the weekly sermons tab.

PRAYERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Johnny Burch's surgery has been cancelled at this time. Barbara Bolton will go to Okla. City on January 8th to have hip injections in lieu of surgery.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER will be **this Monday, January 11**, at 6:00 p.m. at the Student Learning Center.

The ladies bringing cookies are:

Janna Barrington
Cathy Brennan
Kathy Cain
Karee Curtis

THE WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES

CLASS will resume on **Wednesday, January 20th** at 10:30 a.m. at the Student Learning Center.

MEN if you can do a devotional for the MNFTM there is a sign up sheet on the back bulletin board. The dates still open are: April 11, May 9, June 13 & July 11.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - Trena Burch
- 3 - Donna Caldwell
- 10 - Jerry Golson
- 12 - Taryn Higgins
- 18 - Pat Doughty
- 27 - Kenneth Gregory
- 31 - Jesse Stoner

AFFIRMING THE FAITH SEMINAR: Friday & Saturday, **February 26-27, 2016** - The Message of Nehemiah for Today - Hosted By the Oklahoma City Area Churches of Christ - Held at: North MacArthur Church of Christ, 9300 N. MacArthur Blvd., Okla. City.

SOME CHRISTIAN RESOLUTIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR

During the new year I will:

Like **Paul**, forget those things which are behind and press forward.

Like **David**, lift up my eyes to the hills from which my help comes.

Like **Abraham**, trust my God implicitly.

Like **Enoch**, walk in daily fellowship with my heavenly Father.

Like **Moses**, suffer rather than enjoy the pleasure of sin for a time.

Like **Job**, be patient and faithful in all circumstances.

Like **Joseph**, turn my back on all evil advances.

Like **Gideon**, advance even when my friends are few.

Like **Andrew**, strive to lead my brother to Christ.

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CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, J.L. & Claudine Bolton, Debbie Bowden, Kenneth Gregory, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy & Pat Horn, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Velma Shook, Dwaine Zacharias, Randy Hill, Glenda Kinney, Irene Martin & Nathan McBride.

EXTENDED CARE:

Kenneth Gregory is in Willow Park in room 14 B

Joyce Ray is in Cedar Crest in room 115.

It's a New Year

I recently saw this quote, "No one can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending" (Unknown). When you think about that statement. The conclusion was that we don't start over; but we begin again right where we are, making things better in our lives. As a believer in Christ, it is not about saying I will do this and I won't do that and then dropping the idea or falling short. It is more about asking the Lord to help us each day, to fall deeper and deeper in love with Him. This way our focus will be set on the things of heaven and not on all this earthly stuff. If I were to make a New Year resolution outside of weight loss or exercising more shouldn't it be to have a deeper commitment, a deeper love, and a deeper worship for the Lord and to others? Is the Lord more than enough? Is he enough in every area of your life? This year can we all be determined to make Him my all and all. He wants our undivided attention in spite of the distractions and temptations that lie waiting around the corner. He has to be our main focus. How we will end this year will be determined by how we started it. Did we want to get more "INTIMATE" with the lover of our soul? When you look up the word intimacy the meaning is to be close, familiar, very personal and private. Do you want a new ending this year? How do you want the ending of your life? If you're not a Christian, please know that this could be the best New Year of your life. Your life can be filled with hope and peace. Why should every year be the same as the one before with nothing really changing? After all, the New Year resolutions may or may not get accomplished. If you are a Christian and you feel stagnate in your relationship with the Lord, then now is the time to rekindle the love affair with Him. He calls us to Himself. The real ending in our live will be when Jesus says well done my good and faithful servant. That statement will be for someone who took the time to get to know Him, love Him, and that obediently followed Him and for Him to know us and not say "Depart I never knew you."