

## Are You A Happy Joyful Christian?

God wants His people to be joyful and happy.

This is made clear in many scriptures:

“...these things write we unto you that your joy may be full.” (I John. 1:4).

From prison the apostle Paul wrote: “Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say Rejoice.” (Philippians 4:4).

The early Christians were described as a people who had “glad hearts” and “were rejoicing.” (Acts 2:46; 8:39).

They had every reason to rejoice.

They Rejoiced Because:

1. They had been saved from their past sins. (Acts 2:38-47; I Peter 3:21)
2. They were the children of God. (Romans 8:16)
3. They had the highest moral, standard by which to live. (Matthew 5-7; Colossians 3:1-3)
4. As Christians they could glorify God. (I Peter 4:16; Matthew 5:16)
5. They knew that “all things were working together for their good.” (Romans 8:28)
6. As Christians they could approach death optimistically and with great hope. (Revelation 14:13; Philippians 1:21)

A happy optimistic, zealous Christian encourages others. A pessimistic, sour, unhappy Christian with a defeatist attitude discourages others.

Are you a joyful, happy Christian?

Remember this, “A merry heart doeth good like medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.” (Proverbs 17:22)

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## WELCOME

We would like to thank and welcome each one here today. If you are visiting we invite you back and would ask if you would stay a brief moment after so we might get the chance of meeting and welcoming you here in person. Since we have our guest speaker Mike Mazzalongo with us today we have moved our monthly luncheon to this afternoon after services. All are welcome to attend. If you are visiting please stay and be our guest.

Looking for a church home? Would like to set up a group or personal bible study? Have a need or know of someone who does? Please take the time to visit with us we would love to know how we may serve you.

Download our free church app and stay connected. Find us by searching ucoclawton in the app store.

We are pleased to have Mike Mazzalongo from Choctaw church of Christ and Bibletalk.tv with us today. He presented 3 Saturday sessions for us and will be our guest speaker today delivering the message.

### 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.....**Roy Young

**RECORDS OF THE WEEK**

Bible School: .....36  
Morning Worship: .....54  
Evening Worship: .....25  
Mid-Week: .....20  
Ladies Class:.....13  
Contribution: .....\$5,164.00  
Weekly Budget: .....\$3,953.00

**THOSE WHO SERVE:**

**Sunday Morning:**

Opening Prayer: .....Roy Young

Closing Prayer: .....Klaus Mueller

**Sunday Evening:**

Opening Prayer: .....Joshua Sharum

**Wednesday Evening:**

Opening Prayer: .....Weldon Flanagan

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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.

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Kaiden Higgins may go home from the hospital today Wednesday. J.L. Bolton is having back problems, Perry Warren has pneumonia, David Kelsey will have a pacemaker put in on Friday. James Brennan as he recovers.

**TIME CHANGE THIS WEEKEND**

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TME BEGINS**

**THIS SUNDAY MARCH 10TH**

**Be sure to set your clocks forward one hour before going to bed Saturday night.**

**MONTHLY LUNCHEON THIS SUNDAY** after the morning service.

**MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER** has been cancelled this month.

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 3 - David Byrd
- 5 - Bryan Cain
- 7 - Kenneth Richardson
- 12 - Barbara Bolton
- 13 - Travis Repp
- 21 - Debbie Bowden
- 22 - Cleo Harper
- 23 - Klaus Mueller
- 28 - Roy Bennett

**EXTENDED CARE:**  
Charlie & Sidonia Kelsey are in room A 76 in McMahan  
Jack Treffinger is in McMahan in room A73 B

**“IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH, FUNDAMENTALS OF BIBLICAL WORSHIP - March 9-10th - Mike Mazzalongo - 2 day seminar - University church of Christ**

**Lunch will be provided. Please contact the office if you are going to attend so we will have a number that will be eating.**

**REVIVE US AGAIN HOME MISSION EVANGELISM AND CHURCH GROWTH WORKSHOP** - March 27-30 at Faith Village church Of Christ in Wichita falls, Texas. More information on the back bulletin board.

**WESTVIEW LIST:** Here is the current list of groceries needed: **They will be picking up the food on Monday April 1st.**

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| Flour Tortillas                               | Debbie Cakes   |
| Assorted Chips                                | Velveeta       |
| Assorted Cookies                              | Canned Soda    |
| Powdered Gatorade                             | Canned Chicken |
| 100 % Assorted Juice                          | Tropical Fruit |
| Mixed Nuts/Cashews                            | Pop Tarts      |
| Bottled Water/Gatorade                        |                |
| Assorted Pre-Mixed Kool Aid/Kool-Aid Packages |                |

**Non-Food**  
Spray N Wash

**CONTINUED PRAYER LIST:** Roy Bennett, Barbara Bolton, Tommy & Debbie Bowden, Flo Fitzsimmons, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy Horn, David Kelsey, LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Denice Ross, Dwaine Zacharias, Johnny Burch, Katrina Brennan, Randy Frazier, Lena Kelsey, Randy Hill, Kim Warren, Louie Hill, Dala Melton, Teri Lynn Disney & Angie Caldwell.

**In Case You Missed It**

Numbers 11:6 But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eyes.

In the passage above, God had been sending Manna from heaven to feed them. You would think that the Israelites would remain in awe of how God kept raining down this special heavenly delicacy that was able to feed thousands and thousands of people. But after a while it just became commonplace, even boring. Every morning they would witness God’s miraculous provision right before their very eyes, yet they wanted something else, something better! At times, are we not like that even we can get accustomed to our blessings so quickly, can’t we? Emerson said that if the stars came out only once a year, everybody would stay up all night to behold them. But we have seen the stars so often that we don’t even bother to look anymore! See how common it is for even us as scripture points out in Psalm 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands. They are speaking to us. Let’s be sure not to take Gods provisions lightly though we see them on a daily basis! Lets examine where we are today; and purpose to appreciate the goodness of God’s provision upon our lives.