



**Windmill church of Christ
Newsletter**

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*Search the
Scriptures Daily
Acts 17:11*

Sunday Morning Bible Class:
9:30 AM

Sunday AM Worship: 10:30

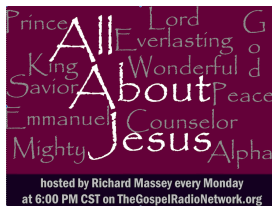
Sunday PM Worship:
6:00

Wednesday PM Bible Class:
7:00

4th Wednesday PM-Singing
7:00



*Bring your Bibles
to Bible class.*



Listen to "All About
Jesus" on
TheGospelRadioNet
work.org each
Monday at 5:30 pm.
And our Sunday
morning sermon at
8:30 am Sunday.

Emphasizing the "Basics"

Any time men stray very far from "the basics," they fall far below their potential. A football team can have splendid athletes but neglecting crisp blocking and sure tackling neutralizes its superior athletic ability. A move away from "the basics" in education a couple of generations ago has produced a school system whose high school (and some college) graduates are so deficient in reading and comprehension skills that they are unable to fill out a job application. Many in the church have moved away from individual and congregational spiritual "basics" in favor of various gimmicks and fads, trying to force church "growth" by human standards.

However, when we forsake "the basics" (usually rather elementary things) for the showy and sensational, we always pay a high price eventually. The kind of growth the Lord wants comes from implementing some rather ordinary principles that are in reach of every Christian. If we personally want to grow spiritually and if we want the church to experience true growth, I suggest we pay close attention to the following "basics":

1. Read your Bible daily. It is good to be zealous, but zeal without knowledge is a very dangerous thing (Rom. 10:2-3). We can never learn too much of God's Word (Psa. 119:11).
2. Pray always. Make prayer a natural, consistent part of life, rather than a special "religious exercise" (1 The. 5:17-18). We often faint because we do not pray (Luke 18:1).
3. Live a pure life daily. We must keep ourselves pure from worldly stains (1 Tim. 4:12; 5:22; Jam. 1:27). Few things impede the Gospel more than the corrupt life of a Christian.
4. Think and live evangelistically. The fields are still white (John 4:35). Lost souls surround us who might be turned from the path of ruin by our words or deeds.
5. Watch for opportunities to spread the Gospel. Nothing is more "basic."
6. Invite others to worship and Bible class periods. These things are so elementary that we may forget them. On behalf of the Christ, let us say, "Come" (Rev. 22:17).
7. Look for ways to serve others daily. Jesus gauges our greatness by our service (Luke 22:26). Many disciples have forgotten that we are here to serve, rather than to be served.
8. Practice self-examination and self-discipline. As we are to do this concerning the Lord's supper (1 Cor. 11:28), so we are to do it in all things (2 Cor. 13:5). If Paul, the spiritual giant of the first century, had to practice self-discipline (1 Cor. 9:27), then we surely need to do so.

The church whose members faithfully practice these "basics" will certainly grow spiritually and will likely also grow numerically.

~Dub McClish

NEWS, NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Visitors: If you are visiting, please know that you are an honored guest. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the collection plate or give it to one of our members so that we can have a record of your visit.

Remember in Prayer:

Remember In Prayer: **Brenda Blair, Jennifer Hardeman, John & Sue Harrington, Richard & Cathy Massey, Edith Proffitt, Samuel Gilbert, Tilmon Bonner** (all the shut-ins)

Friends and family: **Brady Adair, Carol** (Jiffy's stepmom) & Carol's husband **Jerry, Jackie Dale, Reta George** (received a good report last week), **Francis McCluskey, Kenneth & Mary McConnathy, Janiece Melcher, Debra Bowser, Michael Klembus, Stephanie & Anthony Jr. Martinez, Lela Spikes, Darius Warren, Kathryn Wilbanks, Donna Nevel, Chad White, Vicky White, All the lost in this world** (If you know of anyone who needs to be on the prayer list, please let us know.)

Mission work: **Banard Kagaga** (Kenya), **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart, Bible Correspondence Courses, World Video Bible School. Expedition Through The Bible (radio program), TheGospelRadioNetwork.org**

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Cathy Massey in the passing of her father. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Pray for the brothers and sisters here.
Pray for the church worldwide. Pray for the lost souls to hear the soul saving Gospel. Pray for the school of preaching that train men to preach the Gospel in truth. Pray for our nation and all nations where the church meets. Pray for freedom and peace. Pray for successful vaccine for the covid virus. Pray for the workers in the hospitals.

Wednesday Night Devo January

6 Anthony Martinez
13 Tod Hanson
20 Marvin Blair
27 Mitchell Kingston

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