Passion for God.....Compassion for People April 7, 2013

Dates to Remember:

Men's Business Meeting is the first Sunday of the month, immediately following morning worship. All men are invited to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Stanton Nursing Home Services are the third Sunday of the month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for April will be Dan Newell Jr. Please make plans to attend.

Church Singing takes place <u>next Wednesday</u> at 7pm. This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

Our sermon airs each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.WSKV – 104.9 FM

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Sharon & Donald Olinger, Anna Vires, Correne Hatton, Joe & Debbie Slone, Those undergoing medical tests, those going through personal trials, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, those who have lost loved ones, and those on the church prayer list.

.....the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

James 5:16

Our men and women serving in Afghanistan and other war torn areas.

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The Church food pantry is in need of nonperishable food items. Please bring in donations as you are able. This is a ministry we can all participate in. No one should go hungry.



Pantry Item of the Week: Soup

Clay City Church of Christ

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Ministers:

Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	-
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2 Corinthians 5:1-5 (NKJV) ¹ For we know that if our earthly house, *this* tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, ³ if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. ⁴ For we who are in *this* tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ Now He who has prepared us for this very thing *is* God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

Privileged to Serve

Songs of Worship	Charles Rice
Prayer:	
A.M. Prayer before Worship	Alvin Goldey
A.M. Closing Prayer	Rob Little
P. M. Opening Prayer	Brian Rogers
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Announcements and Sick...... Jody McCoy

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Let's Laugh a Little

A construction foreman said to a worker on the job, "I'd like to know something: Why is it that the other workers carry four or five boards at a time while you carry only one?"

"I suppose, sir," replied the worker, "that they are too lazy to go back and get another board."

A minister and his seven year old son were out driving. As they passed a horse race track the boy was held in wonderment. He exclaimed, "Look, Daddy, look. All the pews are filled."

Some grown boys at the village store would hold before a ten-year-old boy a quarter and a dime, and ask him which one he wanted. He would always take the dime. Then they would laugh and poke fun at his inability.

One day an older man called the boy aside and said, "They're making sport of you. Don't you know the quarter is worth more than the dime?"

"Yes, I know," replied the boy, but if I take the quarter they'll quit doing it."

Making the Church Relevant (F. Furman Kearley; Gospel Advocate, May, 1993)

Nearly three out of four Americans do not consider the churches in their neighborhoods to be relevant to their lives. Unfortunately, this is probably a true assessment. In reality, a larger percentage of the churches are not really relevant to people's physical and spiritual lives.

This is true because most of the churches of America today are churches of men and not churches of God and Christ. The churches today are like the church of the Pharisees and Sadducees in Christ's day. The Pharisees and Sadducees, although claiming to be of Moses and of the Law, were perversions of the religion of God. They were religions of men and not of God. They were vain religions. Jesus said of the Pharisees that they had made void the Word of God because of their traditions and that in vain did they worship Him, teaching as their doctrines the precepts of men (Matthew 15:1-9). He evaluated them: "Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, not the power of God" (22:29 KJV).

Most churches today are irrelevant because they teach and practice the doctrines of men. They teach for doctrines Calvinism; Lutheranism; or doctrines devised by human councils, synods and creed makers. Churches today do err and cause the people to err not knowing the scriptures nor the power of God. More than fifty percent of the churches of men are irrelevant because they do not teach the true nature of God. They do not teach the virgin birth of Christ. They do not believe in or teach that Jesus and His disciples performed miracles. A large percentage do not believe in or teach the bodily resurrection of our Lord.

Ninety-nine percent of them do not teach the gospel plan of salvation. They do not teach nor practice what the New Testament requires concerning Christian worship and the organization of the church. No wonder most people believe the churches they know are not relevant. More than half of them no longer uphold the moral teaching of God's Word.

The tragedy is that many in the churches of Christ today want to become like denominations, standing for nothing and failing to teach God's Word. Faithful preachers and elders must uphold the truth! We must speak where the Bible speaks and be silent where the Bible is silent.

Christ's church is eternally relevant because it was designed by God to make known the manifold wisdom of God. It is relevant because Christ is its builder, its founder and its owner.