

**Passion for God.....Compassion for People**  
**August 22, 2010**

# Clay City Church of Christ

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**Please be Reminded:**

**Men's Business Meeting is the first Sunday of each month,** immediately following morning worship. The meeting takes place in the all-purpose room. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

**Stanton Nursing Home Services** will be each third Sunday afternoon beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for September will be Daniel Newell. Please join us for around a half hour of song, prayer, and sermon. Your attendance may brighten the day for a resident.

**Church Singing is the second Wednesday night at 7:00PM.** This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. You may also request that a particular song be sung. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

**WSKV Radio** .....8:30 a.m. each Sunday Morning

**Please Lift Up In Prayer:**

Anna Vires and Family, Waveline Teasley, Pauline Powell, Joe and Debbie Slone, Brian Rice, Sharon and Donald Olinger, Reva O'Hair, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list.

.....*the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16*

**WHAT IS IT TO LIVE?**

\*To live is not merely to exist; men are not bodies only. A man may feed and nourish his body yet starve his soul

\*We may live without living; that is our lives may be lived only on a physical plane; they may be shallow, they may be selfish, or they may be false lives. The true life is in Christ Jesus! In every real sense He is our life. He came that we might have life, and have it more abundantly. W. H. Compton

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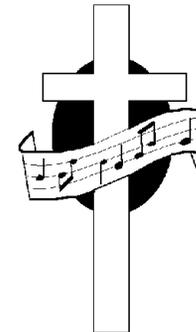
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**Worship Services:**

Sunday Morning Bible Study..... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: Blessed Are The Poor In Spirit..... M.C. Rice  
Sunday P.M.: Instrumental Music ..... Dan Newell Jr.

And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; 19. Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Ephesians 5:18-19



## Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Prayer List.....	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship .....	Terry Abney
A.M. Prayer .....	Jody McCoy
A.M. Prayer before Worship.....	Charles Mac Rice
A.M. Closing Prayer .....	Joe Slone
P. M. Opening Prayer .....	Daniel Newell
P.M. Closing Prayer.....	Greg Brewer

### August:

#### Communion:

Reading .....	Terry Abney
Serving .....	Jody McCoy, Greg Brewer.
Collection .....	Shane Burgher, Willard Dunn
Communion to Sick .....	Shane Burgher & Jody McCoy.
Prepare Communion .....	Bernice Abney, Bettyjo Oliver
Van Driver 8/22/10.....	Donald Olinger
Van Driver 8/29/10.....	Greg Brewer
Cleaning Outside .....	Jody McCoy, Shane Burgher

ON THANKSGIVING, ELEANOR Roosevelt was serving food at a local soup kitchen...

More street people showed up than anticipated. They were running out of food and worried that not everyone would get to eat. As Eleanor was delivering two plates of food, her thumbs slipped in the gravy on the plates. The gravy was extremely hot. Her natural reaction was to drop the plates instantly, but she knew that if she did so, two people would go without their Thanksgiving dinner. So she held on. She made a decision that someone else's Thanksgiving was more important than her desire to avoid the pain. She found meaning in her temporary suffering and decided to keep going. In that split second, she chose where to put her focus. Someone else's happiness was more important than her temporary pain.

THOUGHT: Heros choose to focus on the purpose on the other side of pain. Daniel R. Castro, "Heros Focus on the Other Side of Pain," Critical Choices, 75

## This and That

The Christian life is one of faith and trust. Because the world can be a difficult place to live unless one has direction and guidance, a relationship with Jesus is necessary. His word is given to provide the instructions for such a relationship. Ultimately a trusting faith is required in order to realize the goals desired. Let's notice the following facts about the Christian life:

The Christian is justified by faith. In Romans 5:1-2 Paul says, "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God". Faith was the justifier of such great men as Abraham and Noah. Their faith produced within them an obedient spirit. Because of their faith in God's promises they received great blessings. We must begin with faith also. Without faith we cannot please God. Therefore we should become acquainted with His word which produces faith.

The Christian walks by faith and lives by faith. This means their everyday life is controlled by what God teaches. 2 Corinthians 5:7 states that "We walk by faith, not by sight". We believe God speaks the truth in the Bible and are glad to use its teachings to make everyday life decisions. Hebrews 10:38 declares that "the just shall live by faith". It is wonderful to know a standard exists that, if followed, will produce good results every time.

According to 1 Peter 1:9, the Christian is "kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time". God's power to keep us from falling and to preserve us unto the day of salvation is invoked through our faith. When we live a faithful life, (faithful to what the Bible says), we are trusting our current and future life in safe keeping to God. We know He has been faithful to His promises and therefore we trust Him to continue faithfully what He has started in Jesus Christ.

Some people trust in wealth and social status to provide the security they desperately need and desire. Others just float along, taking what life offers without the pursuit or thought of a grander purpose. Christians are secure in the fact that they have found truth and know who they are, where they came from, and where they are going. We believe God. We believe in Jesus Christ. We love the church. Our desire is to make heaven our home through faith and obedience. Think about it.

*Daniel Newell*