

Passion for God.....Compassion for People
December 14, 2008

Clay City Church of Christ

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Dates to Remember:

Men's Business Meetings are the first Sunday of each month immediately following morning worship. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Prayer Meetings are held the first Monday night of each month at 7:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend but have a prayer request, please contact Bro. M.C.

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

Stanton Nursing Home Services are the third Sunday of each month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Please join us in making our congregation a light in the community.

Our Church Singing is the second Wednesday night of each month. Singing night is an important part of our worship. Please plan to attend. Your presence encourages others.

Radio Our sermons are taped for broadcast and can be heard each Sunday morning, beginning at 8:30. Please make an effort to listen to our lesson on the air. You may pick up a message you missed the first time around. **WSKV – 104.9 FM**

Food Pantry: Help those less fortunate by contributing to the food pantry. Please bring non-perishable items. With the Christmas holiday approaching, our food pantry is very important to those less fortunate. Please make this part of your personal ministry.

The Bible assures us that our God cares for us (1 Peter 5:7). That being true, we should care deeply for all those who are His – and show it.



Ministers:

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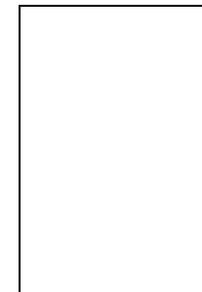
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Worship Services:

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.: A Mini-Mission (Matt. 10:5-42)..... M.C. Rice
Sunday P.M.: A Good NameDaniel Newell
Wednesday: Acts..... Brian Rice

We invite you to worship with us at every opportunity. It is because of Jesus that we assemble to praise and glorify His name as instructed in God's Word. We look forward to seeing you often.



Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Terry Abney
A.M. Prayer.....	Brian Rice
A.M. Prayer before Worship.....	Jody McCoy
A.M. Closing Prayer.....	Alvin Goldey
P. M. Opening Prayer	Brian Rice
P.M. Closing Prayer	Dan Newell

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Communion:

Reading	Terry Abney
Serving	Greg Brewer, Walter Rice
Collection.....	Pearl Brewer, Shane Burgher
Prepare Communion.....	Paula Rice, Erica Rice
Communion to Sick.....	Brian Rice, Terry Abney
Cleaning Outside.....	Pearl Brewer, Paul Napier
Van Driver 12/14/08.....	Greg Brewer
Van Driver 12/21/08.....	Mary Jayne Casey

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Paul and Sue Napier, Fred Teasley, Patricia Feters, Reva O'Hair, Anna Vires, Ellaray Campbell, Correne Hatton; Sharon Olinger, Kay Stewart, Charlene Brewer, Pauline Powell, Luke and Dorothy Newell, Joe and Debbie Slone, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list;

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

Greater love hath no man.....John 15:13

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Look around you. The disciples of Jesus are just plain folks. Not smarter than others. Not richer. Not more powerful. Not better looking. And you could be one of them, if you will only believe and obey (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38).

M. Rankins

This and That

In Luke 13:23, one came to Jesus with a question. "Lord are there few that be saved?" is a very important question. If there are few that be saved, and Jesus said there would be, the inference is that either God is willing/able to save only a few or that a small number will make it to safety due in some measure to their own effort. Let's look at each premise carefully.

If God is willing to save only a few, it must be because God is a respecter of persons. Whether the number saved is due to space constraints in heaven, God's ability to save, or his willingness, we are bound to place the responsibility solely on God. The Bible refutes this premise. Peter states in 2 Peter 3:9, that God is "not willing that any should perish." Paul says in 1 Timothy 2:4 that God "will have all men be saved and come unto the knowledge of truth." Jesus assures in John 14:2, "In my Father's house are many mansions". This refutes the notion that God is somehow limited or unwilling. God wants everybody to be saved.

Is the number saved due in some measure to man's efforts? In Matthew 7:13-14, Jesus states the number will be affected to a large degree by man's choice in this life. If we choose the gate less restrictive and most receptive to our inventions and desires, we will be following a large number to destruction. If, however, we choose the narrow way that leads to life, we will be part of a few.

God's word is the gate to salvation. David looks to God's word for help: "Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer." The Bible alone is the way to eternal life and we would do well to heed what it says. Are you willing to lay aside what you have been told, what you believe, in order to listen to God? Think about it.

Daniel

