Passion for GodCompassion for People

Clay City Church of Christ February 22, 2009

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.

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.

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: Please help keep our food pantry stocked, so that we may help those less fortunate.

Remind your friends of our free **Bible Correspondence Course**. If it has been some time since you have taken this course – why not consider taking it again as a refresher course?



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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.: Time	M.C. Rice

Sunday P.M.: Backsliding Daniel Newell Wednesday: Acts Brian Rice

We trust that God has been pleased with our worship and pray that each of you will be strengthened from the sacrifice you are making. We welcome our visitors and invite you to join us again at every service. We appreciate your attendance today. May God's richest blessings be yours all week long.



Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Terry Abney
A.M. Duovon	Clan Hayas
A.M. Prayer	<u> </u>
A.M. Prayer before Worship	Jody McCoy
A.M. Closing Prayer	Alvin Goldey
P. M. Opening Prayer	Homer Rice
P.M. Closing Prayer	Dan Newell

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Communion:

Reading	Jody McCoy	
Serving	Joe Slone, Brian Rice	
Collection	Willard Dunn, Dan Newell	
Prepare Communion	Bernice Abney, Betty Jo Hash	
Cleaning Outside	Shane and Harold Burgher	
Van Driver 2/22/09	Greg Brewer	
Van Driver 3/1/09	Mary Jayne Casey	
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Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Paul and Sue Napier, Fred Teasley, Patricia Fetters, Reva O'Hair, Anna Vires, Ellaray Campbell, Correne Hatton; Kay Stewart, Pauline Powell, Joe and Debbie Slone, Glen Hayes, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list; and

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Our heartfelt condolences go the Hatton and Pittman families on the loss of their loved ones.

When you are dealing with: children, the hurt,...the sick,...or the upset, you must use extra gentleness and care, no matter what the age or the area of hurt.

Be kinder than necessary, for everyone is fighting some kind of battle.

This and That

A friend is a wonderful thing. To have someone you can trust and confide in is very important. A friend should be one who shares mutual passions, is consistently concerned for your welfare, and can be trusted to always be available for you. Of course this should also be reciprocal. Solomon wrote that, "A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly", Proverbs 18:24. However, friends can and will influence you for either good or bad. This is why the Apostle Paul said, "Do not be deceived, evil company corrupts good habits", 1 Corinthians 15:33 (nkj). It is important to choose our friends wisely. In order to do this one should start with God and Christ. It was said of both Moses and Abraham that they were friends of God, Exodus 33:11 and Isaiah 41:8. (It can be rightly said that they were very good friends to others also.) The main reason they were friends of God was because they shared in the passion for justice and right, trusted that God had their best interest in mind, and obeyed the voice of God in things pertaining thereunto. They allowed God to influence them for good. Jesus also said that he was our friend. Why? Because he died for us. What greater reason could there be for us to accept Jesus as our friend? He did for us what none else could do, including ourselves. John quotes Jesus in John 15:13-14, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends if, ye do whatsoever I command you." Jesus looks at the possibilities in each of us and befriends us based on whom we can be. Of course Jesus does not force friendship upon anyone. We are free to choose our friends. Look at those around you in today's worship service and think of them as a friend to Jesus. To whom would we refuse friendship that is a friend to Jesus? The church is a wonderful place to start looking for a friend. These are people, like you, that are seeking peace with others while looking to please God. This is why it is most important to choose Jesus as our "best" friend. By following his example we will be sure to choose good friends also.

Think about it.

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