Passion for God .....Compassion for People Clay City Church of Christ March 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.

#### 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

Potter Children's Home & Family Ministries *Commodities Outreach* A representative from Potters will be in our area the week of April 5<sup>th</sup>. Potter is supported solely by the churches of Christ and individuals. Please show your support. If you don't have time to shop a monetary donation is an option.

What New Testament book was written to a lady? \*

**NOTE:** Remember to check the bulletin board for cards, Gospel meetings, singings and other area events. Your support of these events will be a great benefit to you and an encouragement to neighboring congregations.



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## **Ministers:**

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#### Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study10:	00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship11:	00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	
Wednesday	-

Sunday A.M.: Who is Wise	Among You?	M.C. Rice
Sunday P.M.: The Doctrine of	of Jesus our Lord I	Daniel 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 at Clay City Church of Christ often.

PARENTS: Cell phones are not allowed in the Sunday School Classes. Please have your children leave their phones with you, or keep them turned off.

\* Second John

## Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Terry Abney
A.M. Prayer	Homer Rice
A.M. Prayer before Worship	Glen Hayes
A.M. Closing Prayer	Jody McCoy
P. M. Opening Prayer	M. C. Rice
P.M. Closing Prayer	Greg Brewer

## March

Communion:

Reading	
Serving	
Collection	Pearl Brewer, Donald Olinger
Prepare Communion	Mary Jayne Casey, April Meadows
Cleaning Outside	Terry Abney, Homer Rice
Van Driver 3/22/2009	Duwain Watson
Van Driver 3/29/2009	Greg Brewer

# **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

Our men and women serving in Iraq and other war torn areas. *Greater love hath no man.....John 15:13* 

We have several members who not attending services due to illnesses. Please make an effort to contact someone during the week. One phone call does make a difference.



This and That

In Acts the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter we read of the defense given by Stephen which culminated in his stoning and death. This caused the disciples to scatter into other provinces and towns to preach the gospel. Some, such as Phillip, went south to preach in the regions of Samaria. Still others went north into Phenice, Cyprus and eventually preached in Antioch. This was a fulfillment of Jesus prophecy of Acts chapter 1, verse 8 that they would be his witnesses unto "the uttermost part of the earth". Now when the Jerusalem church heard of the preaching occurring in the North and West, (a great number believed and turned to the Lord), they sent Barnabas to this area so that he could help in this field of work. This is recorded in Acts chapter 11. It is said of Barnabas ( when he came to Antioch,) "Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord."

The fruit of *our* labors here should be the salvation of souls. This should make us labor with more diligence and the realization of this goal should make us glad. An item I want to note here is that Barnabas exhorted the people that "with purpose of heart they should *cleave* unto the Lord." There should be a purpose and goal associated with our relationship to the Lord. There is but little doubt that we would work harder, love greater, and sacrifice more if we but realized on a daily basis that our goal is to make heaven our home. We also have much work to do if we are to build up the kingdom of God upon earth and become more effective in soul winning. Remember that someone cared enough about you to keep house for the Lord and evangelize the gospel in your direction. Another item of note in Acts 11 is that Barnabas exhorted the brethren to "cleave" unto the Lord. The thought is that they should remain still, tarry with, and hold fast to the Lord. Folks we need to do that today. We need to follow closely in the footsteps of Jesus and keep our eyes focused upon him at all times. This will keep us in line with our purpose and goal of heaven. Renew your zeal and passion for the Lord. Have purpose of heart and cleave unto the Lord. Think about it. Daniel Newell