

Birthdays

Bailey Jones 3/22 Jeral Petty 3/23 K.J. Barnes 3/24 Dail Atkins 3/26

Tony Way 3/28

March Assignments

GREETERS: Dane and Ashley McGinnis

WELCOME/PRAYER: Justin Patterson

SONG LEADER: Dane McGinnis

SCRIPTURE READING: Jim Barnes

Psalms 116:1-19

LORD'S TABLE

BREAD: Seth McGinnis

FRUIT of VINE: Dak Jones

OFFERING: Justin Patterson, Caleb Patterson, Preston

Patterson, George Light

ATTENDANCE CARDS:

Halston McGinnis and Nolan Patterson

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Pat Jones

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONAL:

Rick Johnson (3/25)

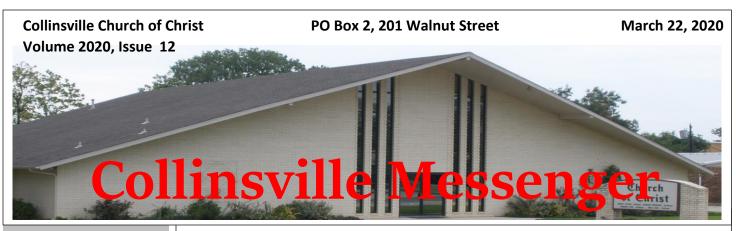
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18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

TO:

Matthew 29:18-20

Be sure to tune in to "Let the Bible Speak" Sundays 6:30 am on KTEN NBC 10 and 9:30 am KTEN ABC 9.



Elders:

Tommy Blackburn (903) 267- 2622

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Harold Achimon (903) 707-6696

Jim Barnes (903) 744-2107

Don Graham (903)-429-0197 Deacons:

Dak Jones

(903) 815-9910 Outreach & Restoration

Jared Light (903) 815-5078 Benevolence & Campus Maintenance

Dane McGinnis (214) 500-6765 Special Events & Video/ Sound

> J.D. Pruitt (903) 429-6324 Visitation

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TIME OF SERVICES

Bible Class: 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening 6:00 pm
Wednesday pm 7:00 pm

What Can We Do?

Almost every day we pray for our country. I think most of us would love to see our nation united in a desire to move back toward a Godly moral code and a love for Christian principles. We have seen a gradual drift away from God over the last several decades but in recent years the boldness of Satan and sin has been propelled to new heights. We often pray for our President, senators, representatives, governors, mayors, etc. We pray for them to introduce and uphold laws that are in accordance with the will of God. We should continue to do this on a regular basis. But I must ask, what else can we do to bring back a God-centered nation. When I consider the world that the church was born into, I am encouraged about our nation. Rome was a pagan centered, debauchery promoting, godless society when Christianity came on the scene. She dismissed God's people as unenlightened, bigoted, narrow minded and atheistic because they refused to accept the gods of the day. Rome went so far as to see Christians as an enemy of the state and began to persecute them in order to intimidate and to produce fear in their hearts. The point of this article is to consider how God's people responded to this and what did the holy apostles teach the church to do in regard to this difficult decision by their government.

I think one of the best and clearest passages in the New Testament which deals with this problem is 1 Peter 3:9-22. In this passage, Peter teaches us that our response as Christians is important. We sometimes respond to evil by being evil ourselves. When someone says a harsh word, we respond with a harsh word. When someone wrongs us, we wrong them back. When someone insults us, we insult them. And by the way, just because we do these things on Facebook, twitter, text, snapchat or Instagram does not reduce the rebellion involved. Our nation has become full of violence, abuse, malice, deceit, slander and as my mother used to say, "just pure meanness." Peter pointed out that if we want to change our nation then we have to stop depending on our politicians to change it and do something about it ourselves. The change in the Roman Empire did not come as a result of a change of heart in the government, but because of the courageous lives of Christians. Every day they went out and focused on the very things that Peter is teaching in this passage. He says we should focus on (1) giving a blessing, (2) doing good, and (3) explaining where our hope comes from. He says, "Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with **blessing**, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. ¹⁰ For, "Whoever would love life and see good days must keep his tongue from evil and his lips from deceitful speech. 11 He must turn from evil and do good; he must seek peace and pursue it. 12 For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil." ¹³ Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? ¹⁴ But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened." ¹⁵ But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶ keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your **good behavior** in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. ¹⁷ It is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit, 19 through whom also he went and preached to the spirits in prison 20 who disobeyed long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. Continued on inside......

Prayer List

Icey Huddleston is continuing Rehab at Texoma Healthcare Room #125.

Juvean Snell remains at Medical City in Denton awaiting a transfer to a Dallas Hospital for surgery.

Rajonia Carnley, Regina Spencer's daughter-in-law, had

breast cancer surgery on 3/4. She continues to care for her mother. Her father passed away and the funeral was 3/2.

Alicia Tracy, co-worker of Patti Achimon, has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Eddie Baker has a serious injury that cannot be repaired in Denton. He will have surgery in Dallas in 4 weeks.

Ann Butler is home and doing better but needs prayers. **Bob Rushing**, grandfather of Cory Jones, is struggling with cancer throughout his whole body.

Carter Rosard, 12 year old nephew of Cory Jones, is in need of prayers.

Wade Kennedy has been diagnosed with prepancreatic cancer. He began his chemo treatments on Tues. (3/10)

Those to continue to remember in Prayer:

Sylvia Goodman Lila Beth Davis Rebecca Denton Wally Highfill **Burnett Family** Casey Jones Chase Reed Melba Welch **Ruth Light Family** J.D. Pruitt Rosina Magaña Alex Johnson Chad Lorenz Tommy Blackburn Shelby Ansley **Bobbie and Bobby Caruthers** Ed Crowe Chad and Kristin Ettelbtick May Family **Robbie Davis Charlene King Rakes**

Hospital / Rehab

Zelda Gatlin: Midtowne Assisted Living, RM 225

Midlothian, TX 76065

Icey Huddleston: Texoma Healthcare Center, RM 125 Sherman

Juvean Snell: Countryside Nursing & Rehab RM 107B Pilot Point

Military

J.R. Lance Matt Frizzell Zack Turpen
Chad Lorenz Trea Baker
Logan Nielsen Seth Rodriguez Madalynn Baker
Matt Upton Brock Murray

Bible Class Opportunities

Sunday AM Adult I
Auditorium / Dane McGinnis
The Great Gospel

Sunday AM Adult II
New Fellowship Hall/ Scott Sides
What Is in A Name

Sunday Am High School / College New Fellowship Hall / Dak Jones **Growing In Christ**

Wednesday Ladies Class, 10:00 am
New Fellowship Hall / Betty Graham
Cancelled until further notice

Wednesday Evening class, 7:00 pm
Auditorium / Scott Sides
A Study of Exodus

First Monday Class, 12:00 pm New Fellowship Hall / Scott Sides Questions & Answers

Second Tuesday Men's Class, 7:00 am New Fellowship Hall / Scott Sides Study of Samuel

Sunday Sermon Titles

Sunday AM:
"It Is Our Time To Shine"
Acts 11:27-30

Sunday PM:
"Greatness Comes From Humility"
1 Peter 5:5-6

Calendar of Events

Mar 25-28	**Cancelled** Revive us Again Evangelism and Church growth workshop in Wichita Falls.		
Mar 28	**Cancelled**Howe Men's Day "The Bride of Christ" starts at 9:00 am		
Mar 29	**Postponed" "Vision" Sunday		
Mar 29	Shannon C of C Gospel Meeting, Sherman TX @ 7:30, "Acts of Scriptural Worship"		
Apr 6	First Monday Class, 12:00 pm lunch with Bible study to follow.		
Apr 12	Elders Meeting after Evening services.	"I push towards the goal"	
Apr 14	Men's Class, 7:00 am breakfast with Bible study to follow.	Philippians 3:13	
Apr 18	adies Day, topic will be "Being strong in faith and overcoming obstacles."		

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Vital Statistics

Sunday Morning Bible	59
Sunday Morning Assembly	110
Sunday Evening Assembly	47
Monday Class	NA
Tuesday Men's Class	NA
Ladies Bible Class	20
Wednesday Night	57
Weekly Budget	\$4,643
Contribution last Sunday	\$4,195

Continuation from cover.....

In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, ²¹ and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

This kind of lifestyle will change our nation. We may not be able to change very much in Washington DC but we can change the way we live in our own communities. This is what changed Rome and this is what will change our nation today. Lets get busy.

Scott Sides

Minister, Collinsville Church of Christ

Mustard Seed Ministry

- -New Mexico Christian Children's Home truck is coming April 3rd. We are at 325, and our goal is 500 containers of Oatmeal.
- -Meals on Wheels is seeking volunteers for deliveries for the Collinsville/Tioga area. Contact the coordinator at 903-786-3351 to fill this need.

Helping Hands Ministry:

I am the contact person if helping hand can be of service for your needs. *Jack Beaver 903-815-9626*. I thank the team members for providing their service.

Since you are primarily confined to your home. Please check this out. We are planning to put our worship service on our facebook page live. Go to facebook.com and look up Collinsville church of Christ. We will go live at 10:30 am.

Ladies Bible classes are cancelled until further notice due to the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.

Vision Sunday is being postponed to a later date due to the coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic.