



PREACHER-SHEPHERD
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COMMENTARY CORNER: "A MARVELOUS WORK AND A WONDER: THE NEED TO ACKNOWLEDGE GOD IN ALL OUR WAYS" "Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvelous work among this people, even a marvelous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of the prudent men shall be hid" (Isaiah 29:14).

Jesus asks the questions, what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and to lose his own soul, and what shall a man give in exchange for his soul (Matthew 16:28)? All around us men and women strive to answer this question with the momentary gains and pleasures of this present world. They fail to understand that regardless of how advanced we seem to be in life, everything is lost if we lose our souls.

The more we learn, the less we know. The more we speak of progress, the more we are baffled by digression. The greater our accomplishments, the more we are confused about remedies for the same old problems. Ours is a world very much into congratulating itself for its learning, progress, and accomplishments. But it is also a world very much baffled by lingering ignorance, digression, and confusion. Why is it that so much technical, scientific, sociological and theological understandings have reaped such small gains for the human race?

And are there really any gains of note to be applauded? Technical, scientific, sociological, and perhaps even theological learning had mushroomed in Judah and in the lifetime of Isaiah. Accomplishments of prior ages paled in comparison to those of the eighth century. People who entered the promised land dwelling in tents now lived in modern houses. People who entered the land at war with

their neighbors had struck numerous peace accords. People unskilled in the art of making iron weaponry, now had arsenals of the same. And the people who worshipped God in a tent now had the temple.

But what good was all of this progress when the people stood a guilty distance from God, refused to acknowledge God, and credited themselves with being responsible for their blessings? What good was their progress when it resulted in the poor, the widows, and the orphans being neglected? What good was the military advance when the people were still vulnerable to attack and destruction? And with all of the learning, why were not the wise among the people able to give counsel that would make the people truly happy? The answer to all of these questions is the same answer that should be given to these questions until the Lord returns.

We face the same dilemma today. We have, at least we think we do, more knowledge than ever before. We believe we have more wisdom than ages previous. In our minds, our accomplishments are so great that even we stand in awe. But there is a basic problem that we and people of every age seem never quite able to get a handle on. There is something about us that keeps us from relating to God and to each other in ways that glorify and please the Father.

Ours is a world where a great many are full; they have pulled down their barns and have built bigger barns, and still there is not enough room for their crops. At the same time, a neighbor in walking

distance is laid at our gates full of sores, begging to be fed with the crumbs that fall from our tables. What kind of a world is this?

Ours is a world where we live in the comfort of forced heat in the winter and forced cool air in the summer. And we are comforted. At the same time, the beggar at our doors, both naked and hungry, is told to go his way, be warmed and filled; notwithstanding, we have given him nothing for his comfort. What kind of a world is this?

Ours is world where we load into our cars, drive to our places of worship, sing, pray, and amen the sermons, thankful that we know the Creator and Savior. At the same time, our neighbors' homes are suffering crises. Children are lost, marriages are suffering and at the very least we refuse to acknowledge that there is a God. People do not know how to relate to each other on the job. There is confusion in government and in the community, and God's people fail to reach out. What kind of a people are the people of God?

The answer to our confused wisdom, our unprofitable advancements, our world going to hell is a good dose of God and His word. Because regardless of how far we progress, how much we know, and all of our good intentions, we are confused and know nothing without God. We cannot escape the truth, without God man is nothing and is going nowhere. We need to be in obedience to God and His word.

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CHURCH



2015 THEME: "In All Things, Examples Of Good Deeds" (Titus 2:7)

Calendar of Events

PREACHER-SHEPHERD

JEFFERSON R. CARUTHERS, JR.

MINISTER EMERITUS

CLOYS R. CECIL, SR.

SHEPHERDS

JEFFERSON R. CARUTHERS, JR.

JOHN FOXWORTH

LEROY NELSON

WALTER WEATHERS, JR.

ELDER EMERITUS

FRANK W. DULIN

DEACONS

ROSCOE BURGESS

MICHEAL CURRY

JAMES E. GADSON

GEORGE MCNAIR

ROY OLIPHANT

BERNARD TERRY

JOE WILSON



SUNDAY SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE DAY DRIVE

We need your help to reach or succeed our goal of **275** or more on Sunday, April 19, 2015. We look forward to seeing you.

MEN'S AND LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

Our Men's and Ladies' Bible class will meet April, 26th, 2015 at 5 p.m. We are encouraging all of our members to attend.

CARVER ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST

YOUNG ADULT WORKSHOP

THE LAZARUS EFFECT (Titus 2:7)

April 25, 2015 @ 9a.m.

(Free Registration begins at 8:30)

Come and celebrate the resurrection of the young adults!

Guest Facilitators: Nicholas & Nikki Glenn, Sharpe Rd Church of Christ.



CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH

Please pick up your blue ribbon in the foyer to wear during the month of April. This will remind others and you that together we can prevent child abuse and neglect to save our children. Thank you for your support sister Diane Foxworth.

Brotherhood Update: The Olga Avenue Church of Christ proudly announces it is now under the ministerial leadership of Bro. Bernard Revel. Also please make note that due to a recent change of the street name this congregation will now be referred to as the **RC Baldwin Avenue Church of Christ**. Physical location remains the same.

Liledoun Road Church of Christ cordially invites you to attend their series of Gospel Meetings to be held April 26th-April 29th, 2015. Guest Speaker: Bro. Brock Shanks. Schedule of services: Sunday 10am Sunday School, 11am Worship & 1:30 Gospel Meeting; Monday – Wednesday 7pm.



KURIAKOS HOUSE

Don't forget to visit the Kuriakos House table located in the foyer for events and happenings. You may contact sister Felecia Caruthers at (336) 767-4201 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Cornelius Corner: Free tax preparation for Veterans! For more information visit www.benefits.va.gov

YOUTH NEWS

Reading Safari

A special Reading Safari club meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 22nd after Bible Class. Continue reading and bring your book tags for prizes! Stay tuned for an update!

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

(27 years) George & Kim McNair - 16th
(5 years) Roy & Sonya Izzard - 24th

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Annie Brimfield 1st; Chanel Williams 5th; Donna Toney-Gaither 5th, Anthony Green 5th, Cheryl Stokes 6th, Alaqua Howell 6th; David Coplin 7th, Joel Caruthers 8th, Jonas Caruthers 8th, Scott Pass 9th, Bobby Robinson 11th, T. J. Loyd, Jr. 11th, Caleb Williams, 11th; Rogers Brimfield 12th; Cheryl Green 12th; Jordan Monroe 12th; Mary Terry 13th; Imogene Bray 13th; Gloria Brown 13th; Mary Thompson 13th; Kiona Wilson 13th; Shundra McLaurin 14th; Everette Jones 17th, Josiah Downing 18th, Alphonso Green, II, 19th, Charles Leak, Sr. 22nd; Bryan Brewington 22nd; Annie Campbell 22nd; Arianna Watkins 22nd; Natalia Watkins 22nd; Maggie Shepherd 24th, Roy Izzard, 24th; Amos Lewis, 25th; Sylvia Jenkins 28th; Frances Mason 29th.

WELCOME

ALL VISITORS!

YOU ARE OUR HONORED GUESTS!

PRAY THAT GOD LEADS US TO SOULS TO SAVE TODAY &

SICK AND SHUT-IN LISTING

Bro. Dwight Correll.....
 Sis. Immogene Bray.....
 Bro. Leroy Nelson.....
 Bro. Barry Harper.....
 Sis. Georgia Glenn.....
 Bro. Charles Leak.....
 Sis. Dorothy Livingston.....

RESPONSIVE READING

II Cor. 12: 2-7

READER: I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such a one caught up to the third heaven.

CHURCH: And I knew such a man (whether in the body or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)

READER: How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

CHURCH: Of such a one will I glory: yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.

READER: For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me.

UNISON: And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure .

PRAYER

Father in heaven, we thank you for making provision for Your children to not be exalted above measure. Strengthen us to serve you in humility of mind. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

PRAYER REQUEST

Bro. George McNair, Sis. Amelia Brown, Bro. Tyrone Williams, Sis. Kellie Pouncey, Bro. Jason Adkins, Sis. Kiona Wilson, Bro. Charles Leak, Sr., Sis. Brinay Simon, Bro. Howard Brown, Bro. Roy Oliphant, Sis. Linda Burgess, Bro. Jeff Nelson, Sis. Wendy Thomas, Sis. Tiffany Seawright, Sis. Leah Oxley, Bro. Jarvis Warren, Bro. Bernard Terry, Bro. Timothy Pilson, Bro. Michael Curry

SHEPHERD ON CALL FOR APRIL

BRO. WALTER WEATHERS, JR.
 (336) 785-2520

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8:00 A.M.

SONG LEADER Roy Oliphant
 SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*

10:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Joe Wilson
 INVOCATION George McNair
 SONG DIRECTOR Adolphus Coplin
 SCRIPTURE Juan Williams
 RESPONSIVE READING Howard Brown
 PRAYER John Foxworth
SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*
 OFFERING Rodney Evans
 LORD'S SUPPER T. J. Loyd
 READER Simon Johnson
 CLOSING PRAYER James Gadson
 VISITATION PRESENTATION

6:30 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Joe Wilson
 INVOCATION Cecil Oliver
 SONG DIRECTOR James Gadson
 SCRIPTURE Thomas Loyd, Sr.
 RESPONSIVE READING Timothy Pilson
 PRAYER Doug Crim
SERMON *Jefferson R. Caruthers, Jr.*
 OFFERING Garrin McNair
 LORD'S SUPPER Joel Caruthers
 READER
 CLOSING PRAYER Jonas Caruthers
 VISITATION PRESENTATION

COMMUNION REFLECTION

(JOHN 5:24)

Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.



USHERS

Kolbe Adkins	Elijah Gibbs	G. Eichelberger
D.J. Crim	Garrin McNair	A. J. Crim
Novell Hall	Michael Terry	Arnold Thomas
Joseph Ford	Jarvis Warren	Bernard Wallace

EVENING USHERS

DeMarcus Miles Shamar Wilds
 Zy Ellis Jesse Green

COMMENTARY CORNER

Of all people, Christians cannot be deceived by majestic cities, bright lights, paved roads, towering buildings, gated communities, university degrees, space exploration, and charitable organizations.

Christians cannot be satisfied with vacation spots, getaways, amusements parks, theatre, and entertainment. Christians must not forget that in the midst of the play of some, others are suffering physically and all need to know God.

Our world is not the better because of the advancement of men. It can only be

better by the progress of the word of God. It is the word of God in the hearts of man that makes a difference in the world.

Isaiah prophecies about how God remedies a society that advances technically and materially, yet forgets God. God assures that the wisdom of the wise will be confounded. The understanding of the prudent will be confused. Men must understand that we know nothing at all when we fail to acknowledge the wisdom behind all of the universe, that is, the wisdom of God.

The church is in danger of being satisfied that the world does not need God to the degree that we often preach. We

look and see that for protection we have the military. For illness, we have doctors and hospitals. For hunger, we have some charitable organizations. For rule, we have the government. All seems to be well.

What is true, however, is that we have closed our eyes to the realities of those in need around us, the need for salvation. It is the mercy of God that allows us to live from day to day.

If we fail to acknowledge the same we will continue to be baffled by crumbling twin towers, sputtering economies, and gulf oil spills, all of which are related to how we relate to each other and God.

SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES

Early Morning Worship ..8 A.M.

Sunday Bible School9 A.M

Sunday Morning Worship..10 A. M

Sunday Evening Worship

6:30 P.M.

Mid-Week Bible Study

Wednesday

11 A.M. & 7 P.M

Men's & Ladies'

Bible Class

5 P.M.

2ND & 4TH SUNDAY

MEETINGS & MINISTRIES

Teachers' Meeting 1st Sat. 9 a.m./
Husbands & Fathers Support Group 3rd Sat.
4 p.m. / Youth Fellowship Meeting 2nd Sat.
10 a.m.—12 noon
Young Adult Ministry 4th Fri.
Clothing Bank 1st Sat. 10 a.m.—12noon

**WORSHIP TO THE SICK &
SHUT-IN
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL**



BAPTISMAL TEAM

Bro. Anthony Clinton
Bro. Thomas Loyd, Sr.
Bro. George McNair
Bro. Walter Weathers, Jr.

Radio Broadcast Stations



Sundays @7:30 A.M.

Thursdays @ 2 P.M.

1340 AM

1400 AM

103.5 FM

YOU CAN BE SAVED TODAY!

To be saved today, you must hear the gospel (Romans 10:17; Acts 15:7). You must believe the gospel that assures us salvation through Jesus who is the risen Lord (Romans 10:9, 10). You must be willing to turn your life over to God through repentance (Acts 17:30; Romans 2:4). Those willing to live for God through repentance are ready for confession (Romans 10:9,10).

The person who confesses is baptized into Christ (Romans 6:3, 4; Galatians 3:27). In baptism, the believer is washed, sanctified, and justified (1 Corinthians 6:11). Christ saves the baptized person in baptism (1 Peter 3:21).

If you believe that Jesus died for you and was resurrected, if you will repent and confess, then you can be baptized into Christ and be saved. Come to Jesus today!

ZONES

ZONE #1 Capt. Bro. J. Wilson (661-1312)
ZONE #4 Co-Capt. Bro. B. Terry (720-9694)
ZONE #5 Capt. Bro. J. Gadson (650-9693)
Co-Capt. Bro. A. Rucker (924-5696)
ZONE #7 Capt. Bro. J. Foxworth (924-5029)
Co-Capt. Bro R. Oliphant (765-3105)
ZONE #8 Capt. Bro. R. March (727-0052)
Co-Capt. Bro. R. Burgess (748-0282)

CHILDRENS' WORSHIP

5th- Howard & Saroya Brown
12th- Howard & Saroya Brown
19th- Tamah & D'Asia Williams
26th- Leah Adkins & Janel Brown

NURSERY DUTY

5th

Janel Brown & Leah Adkins

12th

Meika Sherrard & Maegan Gomez

19th

Sherry Woods & Sydney Johnson

26th

Tonya Oliphant & Treva Loyd

APRIL GREETERS

5TH—Delores Reaves

Eshe Johnson

12TH—Diane Foxworth

Kiona Wilson

19TH - Dollean Johnson

Serena Brown

26TH - Edelina Oliphant

Alfreda Howell

COMMUNION PREPARERS For April

Geraldine Jackson/Mary Ann
Robinson



Baptismal Committee

For

Month of April

Rosalyn Evans, Shirlene Murray
& Sherri Pilson