

## GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

**Hear the Gospel** (Rm 10:17) - Jesus, the Son of God was born of a virgin birth, lived a sinless life, died on a cross to bear our sins, was resurrected and is now Lord over all, and through His death and life man can be eternally saved through obedience of faith in Him.

**Believe the Gospel** (Jn 3:16; Heb. 11:6; Mk 16:16)  
Trust in God's promise to save you through Jesus.

**Repent** (Acts 2:38,3:19,17:30;Titus 2:11-12)  
Turn from a life of sin to living a life for God's glory.

**Confess Jesus as Lord** (Rm10:9-10; Acts 8:37)  
An outward expression of your faith & submission.

**Be Baptized [immersion]** (1 Peter 3:21) - In baptism you are buried with Christ, and raised up with Him (Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:12). Your sins are washed away (Acts 22:16). At this moment you're **added to the church** (Acts 2:41), which is the BODY OF CHRIST (Ephesians 1:22-23) - the SAVED (Acts 2:47).

**Remain Faithful** (Rev. 2:10; Hebrews 10:23)  
Continue to be faithful at any cost and the promise of heaven is sure.

### THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

	<b>Today (AM)</b>	<b>Feb 5<sup>th</sup> (AM)</b>
<b>Greeter</b>	Jason Thompson	Kim Sleege
<b>Song Leader</b>	Troy Wallis	Curtis Hudson
<b>Prayer</b>	Kim Sleege	Terry Tull
<b>Table</b>	Steve Haugsted	Jason Thompson
	Terry Tull	Joe Castro
	Curtis Hudson	Ben Bass
	Ty Wallis	Kim Sleege
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	none	Ty Wallis
<b>Speaker</b>	TJ Klith	TJ Klith
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Ben Bass	Troy Wallis
<b>Lord's Supper Prep</b>	Valene Roseke	Kayla Wallis
	<b>Tonight (PM)</b>	<b>Feb 5<sup>th</sup> (PM)</b>
<b>Speaker</b>	TJ Klith	Devo & Singing
<b>Wed. Song Leader</b>	(2/1) - Ty W.	(2/8) - Troy W.

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## Center Point Road Church of Christ

WE ARE A FAMILY WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO GLORIFY GOD, LEAD OTHERS TO CHRIST, MINISTER TO PEOPLE'S NEEDS. ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER TO GROW IN FAITH AND IN HIS WORD SO WE MAY ENJOY ETERNAL LIFE WITH HIM.

### ASSEMBLY TIMES

#### **SUNDAY**

9:30 A.M. BIBLE CLASSES (ALL AGES)  
10:30 A.M. CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP  
6:00 P.M. CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

#### **WEDNESDAY**

7:00 P.M. BIBLE CLASSES (ALL AGES)

WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS AND  
HOPE YOU WILL STAY AFTER  
SERVICES SO WE CAN MEET YOU!!!

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## HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

by David Sargent

Keith Wishum informs us that Lucy Richardson moved to a house near the state capitol building in Frankfort, Kentucky. Lucy's elderly neighbors got her interested in gardening, and soon she had a yard full of beautiful flowers. She enjoyed seeing passing tourists peek through the fence to see all the blooms.

To maintain the gardens, Lucy often found herself working outside from sunup to sundown. She enjoyed



being outdoors, though, and she especially enjoyed seeing the pleasure her flowers brought to others. She sometimes delighted a stranger by picking a bouquet and handing it across the fence. She even gave flowers to street people, common in her urban neighborhood.

Early one morning, Lucy was working next to the sidewalk when a homeless man who was a regular in the area passed by. Normally, he just shuffled by, but on this morning he stopped and spoke. "Excuse me, lady," he said. "May I tell you something?"

"Sure," Lucy replied, expecting a compliment on her flowers.

Instead, he said, "Whoever owns that house works you way too hard!"

Lucy found that amusing. The gentleman didn't understand that she was working hard, not from a sense of duty, but out of love. To Lucy, working in her gardens was not a chore, but a privilege.

You and I are called by God to be saved from our sins and to serve Him. God doesn't want us to serve sin because it separates us from Him and leads to death (Isaiah 59:1-2; Romans 6:16, 23). But since "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23), we all find ourselves under sin's cruel bondage.

But God can set us free from the bondage of sin so that we can serve Him!

"Serve God?" someone may ask. "That sounds like forced labor, too!" Consider 1 John 5:3 – "For this...

## PRAYER LIST

- Bobby Samuelson (health)  
older son of Dave Samuelson
- Marnetta Tillman (health)  
close friend of Haugsteds
- Gerry Moser (health)
- Roger Dunlap (health - needs surgery but waiting on lung doctor's approval)

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...is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome." "Keep His commandments.' That still sounds like forced labor!" says the objector. But notice, John adds "And His commandments are not burdensome." How so?

One reason is because of the great love that God has for us. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16 ESV). "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). Why? So that we can be saved from our sins and serve Him instead – not out of dreaded duty, but from a heart filled with great gratitude!

As Keith Wishum astutely states: "The more we comprehend the great debt from which God releases us, the more we see serving Him as an honor."

God will deliver from the bondage of sin and death and give eternal life to those who place their faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). He will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7).

So how does YOUR garden grow? Won't YOU accept God's offer of salvation and eternal life on His terms? Won't YOU dedicate your life to serving Him, motivated by the tremendous Price that He paid for your salvation?

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES

- Potluck: Today after morning worship service.
- Ladies' Bible class: Beginning Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM. Classes will be every two weeks. The study will focus on drawing closer to God and closer to our husbands and how both relationships correlate and mirror each other.
- Save the Date: May 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> - Seminar with Eric Lyons from Apologetics Press. Topic: "Scripture, Science, & Common Sense - 3 Votes for God". A seminar that examines the amazing evidence for the existence of God.

*Check the bulletin board in the entry way for more events and info*

## ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Morning 9:30  
*Profiting from Prophecy*  
Wednesday Evening 7:00  
*TBD*

## FOR THE RECORD

JANUARY 22, 2017

A.M. Worship ( <i>last year</i> )	42 (44)
Contribution	n/a
Weekly Budget	\$2,160.00

## BIBLE TRIVIA

1. Which prophet prophesied the amount of silver to be paid to betray Jesus?
2. What kind of hearers of the word of God does the seed sown among thorns represent?
3. Where is it written, "We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ...?"
4. Fill in the missing words of the verse: "So then we pursue the things which make for \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of one another."

Last Week's Answers: 1. his country & relatives [Gen 24:4] 2. some Pharisees [Lk 13:31] 3.. 1 Peter 1:22 4. King Ahab [1 K 18:17]