

DESERT SON LIGHT



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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are encouraged by your sharing the Lord's Day worship with us. It is our prayer that the services will be of great benefit to you and that you will want to come again. If you desire to accept Christ as your Savior, thereby obeying the gospel which includes being baptized for the remission of sins, please express that desire by coming to the front during the singing of the invitation song. Living New Testament Christianity today is our desire.

Welcome!!!!

Worship Service Times

Sunday

8:15am	Worship
9:30am	Bible Class
10:30am	Worship
5:00pm	Worship

Wednesday

7:00pm	Bible Class/Devo
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ELDERS

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Robert M. Jones	839-9971

MINISTER

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DEACONS

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The Numbers Last Week

<i>Attendance</i>	
1st Assembly	106
2nd Assembly	109
Total	215
Bible Class	136
Evening Service	61

<i>Contribution</i>	
Weekly Budget	\$7,694
Contribution	\$7,575
Benevolence	\$0
Missions	\$0
Contingency/Bldg	\$0

PRAYER REQUESTS

Una Evertt has been diagnosed with bladder cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.

Robert Ivy has been laid up with dental surgery and problems. Please keep he and **Darla** in your prayers as he recovers from the medical procedures.

Welcome home to **Conrad & Maggie Espenilla** continue to pray for Maggie as she recovers from brain surgery.

Dorothy Pitts: I will be out of own next week. Please pray that all will be well.

Shelton: We will be driving to Phoenix this weekend to visit family. Please pray that we are safe during our travel.

Shari Carter: Thank you for your prayers, cards and phone calls. **Nicholas** is feeling much better and his medical tests are returning with encouraging results.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School will begin on August 16. We are in need of teachers for the elementary ages. You will only need to teach one night for the week. We also need volunteers to help with snacks and a photographer. Please see **Kelly or Laurie Thomas** if you are interested in helping. If you want to volunteer in any other capacity, please let them know as well. Help is always needed!

HELP NEEDED

Walter Keeney is in need of a babysitter for his grandchildren. If you can help with this need please give him a call.

Thank You

Bright Angel Church of Christ, Thanks so much for your prayers and plant. Your thoughtfulness is comforting. In Him, Dorothy Burist

Perfect attendance for June in the 4th-5th grade: **Natalie Beaudette.**

POTLUCK DINNER

There will be a pot luck dinner after services TONIGHT. **Sara Folkerts** will be coordinating, if you have any questions. This is a time for good food, fellowship, and watching the fireworks. Plan to be there!

KINGDOM KIDS

Is there anyone who would like to be backup for **Vern and Kim Guenther** who are in charge of the Kingdom Kids during 2nd service. Talk to **Robert Jones** if you are interested.

Mark Your Calendars for the July

LADIES' NIGHT OUT!

Enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun with a 'Christmas in July' party on Saturday, July 24th, 5:00pm, at **Diane Levitan's**. Dinner will be served; just bring a wrapped 'white elephant' gift to give. RSVP to diane_levitan@cox.net or (702) 430-8948.

TUESDAY BREAKFAST

Ten people attended Tuesday Breakfast last week. Those attending were: **Vic & Fern Van Damme and great-grandsons, Xavier & Elijah, JB & Jeanette Myers, Hazel Howard and sister Johnnie Starnes, Bea Geter and Betsy Gilliland**. Come and join us Tuesday at 8:00 a.m. at Santa Fe Station Buffet to enjoy fun, food & fellowship.

Henderson/Southside Sunday Night Worship

Meeting at 5:30 - all are invited! See directory for addresses
July 4th - Keith & Susan Oakley
July 11th - Phil & Diana Andrews
July 18th - Tim & Judy Fahrner
July 25th - Scott & Dana Briggs
August 1st - Keith & Susan Oakley
August 8th - Dave & Pat Block
August 15th - Brian & Kara Rabenhorst
August 22nd - Tim & Judy Fahrner
August 29th - Ellen Hardwick

PRAYER FOR OUR ENEMIES

Last week, my wife and I were "window shopping" in a store with a Celtic theme. The Irish are known for their Irish Blessings ("May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind be ever at your back...", for example). However, I saw a decorated banner with a most unusual old Gaelic "blessing":

May those who love us, love us,
And those who don't love us,
May God turn their hearts,
And if he doesn't turn their hearts,
May he turn their ankles
So we'll know them by their limping.

As I pointed out in a TFTD message a couple of weeks ago, we all struggle with our attitude toward our enemies. We know what Jesus said:

"Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you." (Matt. 5:44). (and I don't think the prayer above was what Jesus had in mind!)

But, there are, throughout scripture, a number of examples of righteous men calling God to act against their enemies. The Psalms are filled with such pleas. And even in the New Testament,

"...The souls of those who had been slain for the word of God.....cried with a loud voice, saying, 'How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?'" (Rev. 6:9-10)

When we see great evil being carried out, I think there should be a part of us that cries out for justice. We want to see God avenge those who defiantly oppose Him (and we know that He will).

But, as difficult as it may be at times, we also pray that God will help us to respond personally to those who are our "enemies" in such a way that they may eventually be led to be our friends and, more importantly, friends of God.

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