

“The Light on
the Hill” Matthew 5:14-16



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10:00 AM till 3:00 PM
Monday through Friday

Worship and Bible Study Hours:

SUNDAY
Bible Study 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Golden Ager's Meeting:

2nd & 4th Tuesday—11:00 am.

Ladies Bible Class:

1st Tuesday of the month-11:00 am.

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Today's Sermons and Scripture Reading

A.M. The Parable of the Solid Foundation Matthew 7:15-28
P.M. Devotional and Chili Fellowship

MISSIONS IN SOJOURNING

As you know Barbara and I were able to attend the Sojourning Workshop while in Florida. It was a wonderful time to visit with friends we have made over the years as we worked with the Sojourners at Fort Hill and other places over the state. These people are so special and the atmosphere is of the highest quality.

We were especially impressed with the number of sojourns scheduled during the year. There are missions planned for nearly every state involving literally hundreds of retired and older members of the Lord's Church. The program operates under the oversight of the elders of the church in Marshall, Texas and is limited to faithful members of the Lord's Church. I say "faithful members" because the elders in Marshall screen every applicant who must answer many questions concerning their faith and understanding and loyalty to the Scriptures. If there is any indication that the applicant is not firm in his acceptance of the fundamental doctrines of Scripture, they are not allowed to join the team.

I do not have an accurate count, but from the evidence given in these workshops, there are several hundred Sojourners across the nation. With few exceptions these people are retired and many spend the entire year traveling in RV's across the country assisting churches in Vacation Bible Schools, Gospel meetings, or door to door evangelism. While some may not be comfortable knocking doors or teaching Bible classes, there are teams who do physical work for Christian Camps, Children's Home and Schools, such as Mid Western Children's Home or Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp.

It proves that retired people can continue to make a valuable contribution to the work of the Lord. Retirement is not a time to stop working. It is a time when we can be free to travel and assist the Lord's work in a very effective manner. It proves the Lord has a work for all of us regardless to our stage in life. Several of these people are well into their 80's and still working.

There is another aspect of the work that is important. The fellowship and spiritual atmosphere is higher with this group of dedicated Christians than almost anywhere in the world. I love the week we spend at Fort Hill, as we provide a camping experience for our young people.

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Remember in Your Prayers

In the Clifton Family:

Terry Harris has officially moved to Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Keep her in your prayers.

Jeff McDonough continue to undergo tests.

Kara McCray's tests revealed an infection that will require long-term treatment. Please continue to pray for her.

Others in the Clifton family needing prayers:

Jack Kemp, Debbie Shropshire, Mary Stallworth, Holly Speight, Hope Hamon, Sonny Showes, Lena Mosley, Lillian Roberts.



Please also pray for:

Family and Friends:

Mae Young, Charlie's sister had surgery this past week. It went well and she will continue treatment beginning next week.

Ben Clark (Army) who is serving in Afghanistan.

Mellony Howe (USAF) serving in Haiti.

Sherman Arthur —(Fred & Hope Hamon's friend).

Claudia Hurst—healing from long illness

Katheryn Johnson— physical strength

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord” Psalm 3:12

BAPTIZED;

Mackenzie Casey was baptized in Tennessee during Winter Fest. He is the grandson of Mary Casey and the great grandson of Martha Hendricks.

NEXT GOLDEN AGE MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, March 9, 2010

Scott Johnson will be speaking. They will going out to eat..

PANCAKE APPRECIATION BREAKFAST The Clifton Youth Group cordially invites the Ministers, Elders & their wives to a pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 20th - 9 am at the building. (Students should be at the church building by 7 am to cook & set up.)

JESUS OUR SAVIOR

Have you ever been lost? It's a frightening thing to be lost and alone! Maybe as a child you were separated from you mother in a large department store. Perhaps you were a hunter on new terrain. Unfamiliar with the topography, you became disoriented. Or, you took the wrong exit on the freeway and ended up in unfamiliar surroundings. Whatever the situation, we have all been there. The heart races. The palms sweat. Panic sets in. An overwhelming sense of helplessness and despair fills the soul. It seems hopeless. Something terrible is bound to follow.

Do you remember how relieved you were when a clerk calmly reassured you that everything would be all right and helped locate your mother? Or, you saw a familiar landmark and soon you were back at camp? Or, you saw a sign pointing you in the right direction? Whoever, or whatever the savior, there was a deep sense of relief and gratitude.

Now, imagine something even more frightening. Your boat has capsized and you neglected to wear a life jacket. You are a mediocre swimmer at best. You can stay afloat for just a few minutes and if help does not come soon, you will drown. Suddenly, out of nowhere, a boat pulls along side and offer assistance. How will you respond? No right thinking person would reject such an offer.

The fact is, we are all drowning! But there is a Savior! But sadly, most reject His help. It makes no sense. He is the only Savior. (Acts 4:12) Reject Him and there is no hope. Death is inevitable without His help. Again, you would think no one would reject His offer, but they do. How about you?

Adapted via New Philadelphia bulletin
Article by Roger Rush, Marietta, Ohio

Weekly Events:

Worship Sunday Morning—10:30 Sunday Evening —6:00
Bible Classes Sunday Morning — 9:30 Wednesday Evening — 7:00
Golden Agers Meetings every second and fourth Tuesdays — 10:30 A.M.
Regular Elders Meetings: 1st Sunday of each month—4:00 P.M.
3rd Tuesday of each month-7:00 P.M.

Cassette tapes are available of every sermon.
See Jack Kemp for info.

Sermons and bulletins are also available on the web.

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For the Record— February 21

Attendance	Contribution	Budget
Sunday A.M 81 Sunday P.M. 53	\$ 3,621.00	\$3,640.00
Wednesday P.M 52	Average Weekly Contribution in 2010: \$3,174.13	

Sojourning continued:

It is a time when 200 or more adults and children spend a week in total spiritual growth and fellowship. Working with the Sojourners is a repeat of this work. You forget the pressures of the world and spend the week working with spirit filled people who love the Lord and His church.

Do you get the impression, I recommend Christians to become a Sojourner? You bet-ya!

Bill

FORT HILL CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP

Current monthly bulletins are in the mail this week. Information and registration forms will soon be out. We encourage everyone to take advantage of the events the camp offers. The cost for regular camp weeks is \$120.00 (\$110.00 if postmarked by May 1).

SATURDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS;

Beginning April 3 from 10:30 am until noon at the building. This class will meet every 1st Saturday morning in 2010. The theme will be "Older Women Teaching the Younger Women" Hazel Powell will be speaking on April 3. There will also be prayers, singing and fellowship. All the ladies of the congregation are cordially encouraged to come and bring a friend. Please bring a "brown bag" lunch. See Shalmah Prince for more information.

CLASS MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE SPRING QUARTER:

These materials are in the fellowship room. The new quarter will begin on March 3. Thanks to all those who are giving their time and effort to teach our children. This is extremely important to the welfare of our children and the church.

WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS MEETS ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 11:00 AM.

See Marilyn Seward for information.

LILLIAN ROBERTS ADDRESS: Oak Pavilion Nursing Center, 510 Oak Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45219, Room 215

SUPPORT FOR HAITI

The check for the amount of \$2,300.00 was sent to the White's Ferry Road Church in West Monroe, Louisiana for the support of the brethren and needy in Haiti. The elders want to express their appreciation for the excellent support of this good work.

The worse bankruptcy in the world is the individual who has lost his salvation. Let him lose everything, but maintain his salvation and he will be successful regardless to his state in life. Jesus said, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses." (Luke 12:15)

SCHEDULED TO SERVE

AM WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS
READ SCRIPTURE
LEAD PRAYER
LEAD COMMUNION
LEAD SINGING

February 28

Jeff McDonough
 Jack Kemp
 Wayne McCray
 Larry Seward
 Jeff Casey

March 7

Jeff McDonough
 Charles Surber
 Michael Downing
 Scott Johnson
 Jack Kemp

PM WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS
READ SCRIPTURE
LEAD PRAYER
LEAD COMMUNION
LEAD SINGING

Jeff McDonough
 Brent Sexton
 Scott Johnson
 T. Speight/ J. Stephens
 Jeff Casey

Jeff McDonough
 Ryan Davis
 Fred Hamon
 R. Harris/T. Thompson
 Jack Kemp

WEDNESDAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS
LEAD PRAYER
LEAD SINGING

March 3
 Jeff McDonough
 Ray Harris
 Jeff Casey

March 10

Jeff McDonough
 Fred Hamon
 Scott Johnson

COUNT & RECORD ATTENDANCE: Charles Surber/ Fred Hamon

LOCK BUILDING: Fred Hamon

GREETERS: Joy Carstens/ Teresa McDonough

Words of inspiration

Come to Life

By Mary Catherine Shannon

Life beckons

*seeming to say
 "Come to me,
 and I will
 make you free –
 Free to be yourself,
 alive to all you touch
 akin to all that is lovely
 Free, knowing that you are
 a beloved creature of
 God"*

This cannot be solved during the Bible Class period!

Parents may help the younger children.

Even though you do not get all correct, the first child who gets the most correct will receive the prize.

Fill in the blanks: The answers will be found in Matthew 7:21-28 NJKV

“Not _____ who says to Me, ‘ _____,’ shall enter the _____ of heaven, but he who _____ the will of My _____ in heaven. _____ will say to Me in that _____, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not _____ in Your name, _____ out _____ in Your name, and _____ many _____ in Your name?’ And then I will _____ to them, ‘I never _____ you; depart from Me, you who _____!’

“Therefore _____ hears these _____ of Mine, and _____ them, I will liken him to a _____ man who built his house on the _____: and the _____ descended, the _____ came, and the winds _____ and beat on that house; and it did not _____, for it was _____ on the rock.

“But _____ who _____ these sayings of Mine, and _____ them, will be like a _____ man who built his house on _____: and the rain _____, the _____ came, and the _____ blew _____ on that house; and it _____. And _____ was its fall.”