

Church of Christ

Rocketdyne Road

“Every member a minister...through service”

JANUARY 9, 2011

Love one another,
for love comes
from **God**.

1 John 4:7



AS YOURSELF...

Jesus said the two greatest commands are to love God and our neighbor as ourselves.

But what if we don't love ourselves?

Some people never experience unconditional love from anyone – not their parents, their spouse or friends. Then who can blame them if they find it difficult to love others when they never learned to see themselves as lovable?

And who among us does not wrestle with feelings of unworthiness? Sometimes we become fixated on our own sinfulness to the point we begin to think ourselves incapable of something as high and noble as love.

We can only learn to love ourselves in one way. That is when we understand and experience God's perfect unconditional love for us. Maybe nobody ever loved us unconditionally, but God does. No doubt we are sinful, but God loves us in spite of this.

To love others, we must love ourselves. To love ourselves we must receive the love God has for us. We must see God's love in Jesus...



Glenda Cohu will be going to Mayo Clinic for tests as soon as they get an appointment. Nancy Embrey's surgery has been postponed. Joe Freund recently had surgery for a malignant tumor on his spine. Pray for our homebound, our widows and live alones, those on our sick list and for all our brothers and sisters.



...HOW WIDE AND LONG
AND HIGH AND DEEP
IS THE LOVE OF CHRIST.

EPHESIANS 3:18, NIV

Fair Haven Children's Home

The truck from Fair Haven will be here on Thursday, February 3. They are requesting the following items: green beans, trash bags, bleach, white vinegar, tuna yellow hominy, liquid fabric softener, canned chicken, chili, crisco, cleaning supplies, baking soda, pop tarts, refried beans, paper plates, honey, aluminum foil, carrots, chili beans, canned soups, mandarin oranges, canola oil, pie fillings, baking powder, taco sauce, olive oil, spinach, cascade, hot chocolate mix, brown beans, ro-tel tomatoes, gallon freezer bags, miracle whip, pork & beans, paper towels, cocoa, cooking spray, juice, tomato sauce, liquid laundry soap, microwave popcorn, tea bags, applesauce, crackers, dryer sheets, barbecue sauce, plastic wrap, creamed soups. Place items in the grocery cart near the front door.

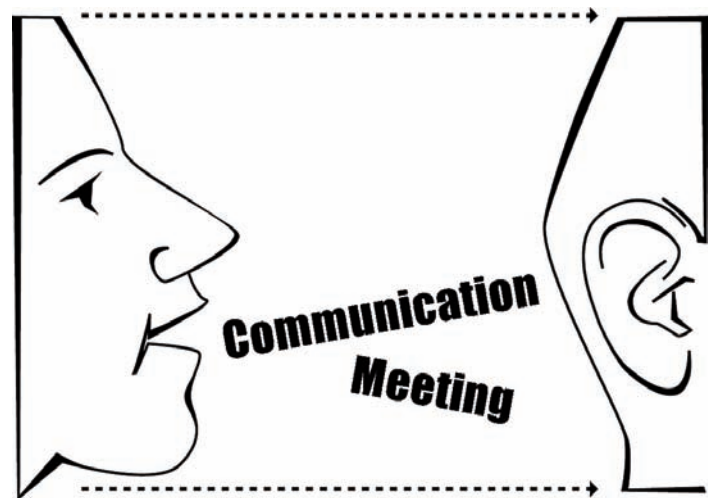
Character Trait For January

RESPECT

Demonstrating consideration, appreciation, tolerance, and good manners toward self, others, authority and property.

Responses

Dick Cohu asked for prayers for strength in his Christian walk on Sunday, January 2. Dick's address is 731 Pearl, Neosho.



There will be an abbreviated worship service next Sunday morning, January 16th, in order to allow time for a communication meeting with the church family to discuss several matters of importance. Please plan to attend if at all possible.

God's Love

We've heard such phrases as "God's love is deeper than the ocean and wider than the sea," but that seems so inadequate. We could compare God's love with the love of a mother for her child, or a policeman risking his life to save someone else's life, but even those analogies fall far short of fully expressing what God's love is like. Without trying to find a comparison, let us merely stand in awe of God's goodness along with David:

"I will extol You, my God, O King; And I will bless Your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless You, and I will praise Your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; And His greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts. I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works. Men shall speak of the might of Your awesome acts, and I will declare Your greatness. They shall utter the memory of Your great goodness, and shall sing of Your righteousness.... All Your works shall praise You, O LORD, and Your saints shall bless You." (Psalm 145:1-8,10)

Praise God for his love beyond comparison!

MEETING PLACE OF LOVE

There is a beautiful Hebrew legend of two brothers who lived side by side on adjoining lands. One was the head of a large family, the other lived alone. One night, the wealthy brother lay awake and thought: "My brother lives alone, he has not the companionship of family to cheer his heart as I have. While he sleeps, I will carry some of my wheat sheaves into his field."

At the same hour, the other brother reasoned: "My brother has a large family, and his necessities are greater than mine. As he sleeps, I will put some of my sheaves on his side of the field." Thus the two brothers went out, each laden with sheaves. Each desiring to share his love with his brother.

They met in the middle of the night. They instantaneously realized what each was doing. There they embraced and gloried in the love they had for each other. Hebrew legend says the Jerusalem temple was built on the very spot of their meeting.

Whether or not the legend is true, is it not appropriate? The meeting place of God we share this morning is meant to be a meeting place of love!

Thank You

Thank you for the support you gave in our time of need.
Don Francisco, Patty Kelly & Bowers families

Area Events

The Freed Hardeman University Chorale will be performing Sunday evening, January 16, 6 pm, at the Monett Middle School Auditorium, 9th & Cleveland.



Charles Bock
Curtis Cullen
Dustin Elder
Eric Feldman
Bryson Hounschell
Charlie Litchfield
Jason Wargo
Joe White

JUST 4 YOUTH!

SNL - tonight at Southside Church of Christ in Rogers.

We will leave at 4:30 and return by 9 pm.

Chaperones needed. See Tye

Leaf Raking - If you are in need of your yard to be raked, the Sr. Youth group is doing a fundraiser for Relay-For-Life. They will be available on Sunday afternoons for the next couple months. Donations appreciated.



GOD IS MOVING AMONG HIS CHILDREN!

We had over 50 people in our Imagination Station room last week and **40** were children! God blesses us every week with the opportunity to teach all of these children **God's LOVE** for them. Thank you Uncle Pete for shepherding us through a lesson on the lost sheep.

Join us this week as Auntie Tee and Cousin Traveling Tiffany will share with us how we can have fun and still learn of **God's Love** for us.

See you there!
Mi Mi Lu and Pa Pa H

Always remember, **JESUS LOVES YOU**
We do too!

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Workers for next week:
Security - Keith Woodward;
Teachers - Nancy Trichler & Beth Foster;
Helpers - Peri Reagan, Hailey Ellis, Coda Jenkins, Josh Hounschell, Elayne Adams, Renee Lewis, Amy Payne, Jana Swaffar, Madelyn Cupp



Life Groups

W.O.W

Brenda Baker

Church building
at 4:30 each Sunday
Study: "Captivating"

Jonathan Davis

28238 Mulberry Rd.
Stark City
1 PM

Zac Erisman

1925 Sylvan Avenue
TBA

Dale Naden

15255 Hwy TT
6 PM on 1st
and 3rd Sundays

Assignments

Sunday, January 9, 2011

Morning Worship

PrayerTye Zola
Shepherd's Prayer Jerry Davis

Lord's Table

Prayers: Jeff Deneffrio

East Side

Jim Murray
Wil Dabbs
Mark Embrey
Dean Welcher

West Side

Tom Condict
Warren Cagle
Gary Cohu
Jeff Mayben

Next Sunday

PrayerZac Erisman
Table PrayersDoug Hughes
Shepherd's PrayerClyde Hopper

Lord's Table For Next Sunday

David Hutchings, Ben Lane, Ray Stipp, Clyde Hopper, Steve Jones, Jerry Davis, Earl Reynolds, Ken Cope

Wednesday, January 12

Song Leader....Jimmie Douglass
Prayer.....Justin Payne

GREETERS SCHEDULE

January 16
Team 3



Fair Haven

Pantry Needs

White Vinegar

January 9

Diane Haught, Dorothy Williams

January 16

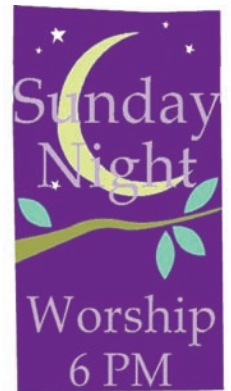
Maureen & Stephen Lovelace



Singing Practice Tonight At 5:30

with
Jimmie Douglass
Matt Engels
and
Wade Williams

Join Us For



FAMILY GATHERINGS

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:30
Sunday Morning Worship10:30
Sunday Evening Singing Practice5:30
Sunday Evening Worship6:00
Wednesday Evening Bible Study7:00

Our Purpose

To praise and glorify God
To spread the gospel of Jesus Christ
To show our love by serving each other
and the world