

Church of Christ

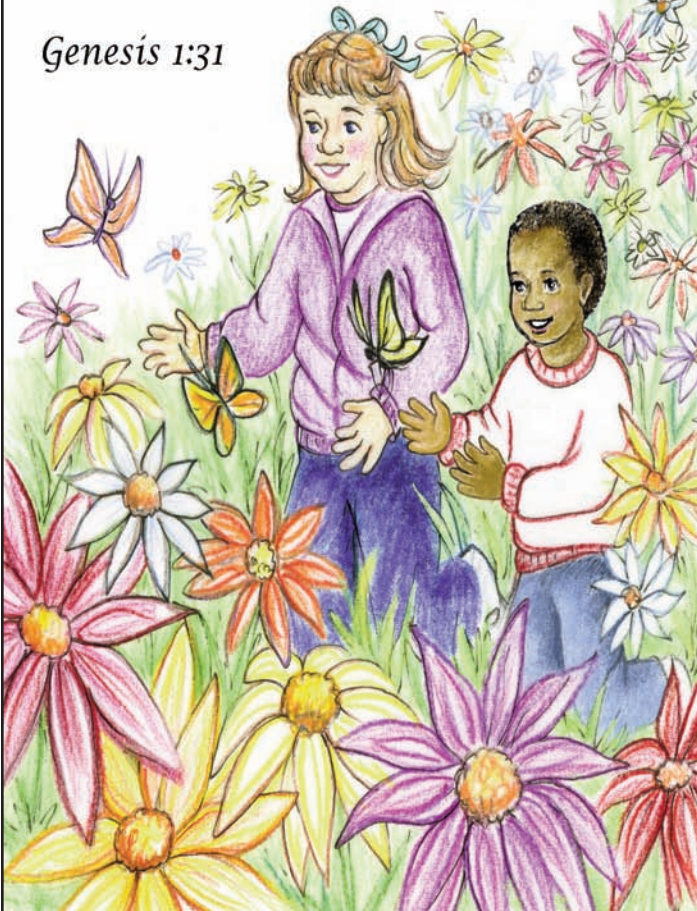
Rocketdyne Road

“Every member a minister...through service”

JUNE 12, 2011

*God saw all that
he had made,
and it was very good.*

Genesis 1:31



WHAT'S WRONG WITH SIN?

Sin is wrong because it goes against the *nature* and *will* of God.

What is the nature and will of God?

Briefly, the *nature of God* is love, joy, peace and all the other attributes of His Character. And the *will of God* for us is to be truly happy and fulfilled.

So what's wrong with sin is that it actually takes us in the opposite direction – away from God!

Then, why do we sin so easily?

Simply, we desire to be happy – a desire God placed within each of us - and sin seems to offer an immediate short-cut to Destination-happiness.

However, sin always leads to a deceptive dead-end because real happiness and true fulfillment only come by following Jesus. He shows the better way to be happy and wonderfully forgives when we try the short-cuts and get hurt.

Denny



Julie Davidson, mother of Micah Davidson, is at Freeman-East. Steve Adams began chemo last week. Marsha Drydale had surgery Thursday. Leslie Prier is in the hospital with an infection. Pray for our homebound, our widows and live-alones, those on our sick list and for all our brothers and sisters.

June Fellowship Meal

Everyone is invited to stay for the fellowship meal immediately after services this morning.

Area Events

June 26-29 ~ Gospel Meeting
 Walter Buchanan
 "Bible Answers to Everyday Living"
 Powell Church of Christ, 7 pm

Thank You

God bless your thoughtful donation.

Mt. Hope Church of Christ

To the church family and all, We thank you all for the wonderful donation. God bless you all. It helped so much in the loss of our home and things, but through it all God was with us. We lived thru it. Thank you all so much and may God bless you always. Many thanks to everyone again and again. Clovis & Pauline Steele



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



It's not just another sex talk.

Hey girls! Did you know most Christian women enter their teen years with a desire to remain sexually abstinent until their wedding day, but 37 percent of conservative Christian teen girls say they have had sex by age eighteen? (Whoa! That's worth talking about, but *another* sex talk?)

Pure Freedom: Seven Secrets to Sexual Purity is interactive and fun. It's not "just another sex talk." It's about giving you usable tools to protect yourself. You will leave having answered these questions with DVDs, crazy games, and some pretty major girl talk:

- What is sex, really?
- What are Satan's top sex lies?
- How can you stomp on them with God's glowing truth?
- Is it too late for me? How can I heal from mistakes I have made?
- What are the top SEVEN SECRETS among girls who make it to their wedding day? How can I use them in my life?

All ladies (13 years and up) interested in becoming more godly, come join Shelia Reagan Sunday, June 12th through August 21st, at Rocketdyne Road from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. If you plan to attend this class, please let Shelia know as soon as possible so she can make sure you get a book.



July is our month to deliver Meals on Wheels. It's time to start signing up. There are four routes again this year. Each route needs two people to deliver meals. The sign up calendars are on a table in the family room. If you have questions, call Brent or Cheryl Marion at 451-6909.

HEAVEN IS IN EVERY HEART

God placed a desire for heaven in every heart, even those who don't know Him and sin with impunity.

God didn't create us with a desire for evil, but with a desire for good - *God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day. (Genesis 1:31)*

God said that everything He made was very good. That includes Adam and Eve. So if they were good – very good - why did they do evil by disobeying God? Why do we?

God placed in them, and in each of us, a longing to better our condition. Call it a desire for heaven. That's why they wanted something even more satisfying than the Garden of Eden!

So, first Eve and then Adam succumbed to the temptation to sin, not with a desire for evil, but with a desire to better their condition. Eve instinctively knew that knowledge – something eating the forbidden fruit promised – was something to be desired.

But, instead of waiting to receive knowledge – which God has promised to ultimately give in heaven – the first humans attempted to gain it in their own way.

The suggestion that our desire to sin is closely related to our desire for heaven may seem contradictory, but is it? Isn't sin actually a misguided effort to gain a bit of heaven for ourselves right now? Aren't we tempted to sin because the action – though wrong - seems to offer something better for us in the present time?

Understanding this, we can never again look at sinners or our own sin in quite the same way. We understand how easily our desire for heaven – something better for us - can easily be turned to something hurtful for us, exactly as it was for the first couple. This self-understanding should lead us to trust God to one day unite our desire for heaven with the reality of that place, rather than trying to steal heaven by going against His purpose and timing.

Denny

To be a follower of Christ includes loving people more than they deserve.



SNT will not meet tonight.

Ladies Purity Class - Begins tonight, 4:30 to 6:00 pm
See Shelia Reagan

Guys Class - "Who Moved the Goal Post?" - Begins June 19 same time as the girls' class. This class is for teen guys and all men who would like to study true manhood.

TNT - will begin Tuesday, June 21.

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to Gidge Beam and family on the sudden passing of Gidge's nephew, Aaron Nowland.



GOD IS MOVING AMONG HIS CHILDREN!

We had a total of 30 children last week. Thank you Auntie Bee and the puppeteers for a super lesson.

Join us this for age appropriate worship songs with Uncle Jim Bob.

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 - John Miller

Teacher - Tye Zola

Helpers - Robbie Jenkins, Seth Greer,

Dale Naden, Shelli Willis, Hannah Brown,

Laura Stipp, Stephanie Witcher, Trevor Morton,

Tianna Morton, Breanna Lewis, Madelyn Cupp,

Karen Bass, Ryan Deneffrio



Life Groups

W.O.W

Brenda Baker

Church building
at 4:30 each Sunday
"A Woman & Her God"

Jonathan Davis

28238 Mulberry Rd.
Stark City
1 PM

Zac Erisman

Meeting with
Jonathan Davis' Group

Dale Naden

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

Assignments

Sunday, June 12, 2011

Morning Worship

PrayerTim Stipp
ScriptureGary Elam
Shepherd's PrayerRayStipp

Lord's Table

Prayers: Jerry Davis

East Side

Randy Bass
Doug Hughes
Jonathan Davis
Quinton Platner

West Side

Zac Erisman
Jim White
Logan Stark
Steve Adams

Next Sunday

PrayerSteve Jones
Table PrayersGary Cohu
ScriptureAndrew Marion
Shepherd's PrayerKen Cope

Lord's Table For Next Sunday

Doug DeVoe, Rod Whorton, Jerry Dorris,
Don Johnston, Francisco Bustillo, Cody
Casady, Jeremy Drake, Cory Hounshell

Wednesday, June 15

Song Leader...Jimmie Douglass
Prayer.....Jim Hughes

GREETERS SCHEDULE

June 19
Team 3



Fair Haven

Pantry Needs

Baking Powder

June 12

Diane Haught, Dorothy Williams

June 19

Gwen Hopper, Theresa Widener



Singing Practice

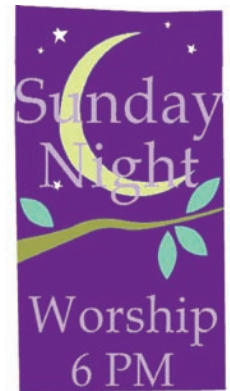


Tonight At 6:30

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