

WELCOME VISITORS

The presence of Jesus in the gathering of His people is the sweetest blessing we enjoy when we meet. We pray that you will find peace, comfort, and power for living today.

A visitor's card is provided in the book rack, to give us a record of your visit.

SUNDAY		ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	
Bible Study	10:00 AM	Morning Worship	32
Worship	11:00 AM	Evening Worship	14
Evening	6:00 PM	Wednesday	16
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	6:30 PM		
Fellowship Meal	12:30 PM	Contribution	\$1221.00
(Every 1 st Sunday)			
Men's Meeting	5:00 PM		
Last Sunday of every month)			

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

MESSENGER FOR CHRIST



BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

May 25, 2014

The Truth about Hypocrites at Church by Steve Ridgell

It is one of the main reasons I hear from people who do not choose to get involved with Christianity: the church is full of hypocrites. It is true that every church I have ever known has hypocrites. There are people there who do not love Jesus and do not care about his teaching. They may be there because of family pressure, or because it is habit, or because it is beneficial to their career. Hypocrites are those people who say one thing while intentionally doing something different. So there may be hypocrites in church who are mean, cruel, liars, addicts, thieves, and immoral. And they never intend to change.

Even Jesus knew that some "religious" people would not follow him. Read the story from the Bible about the Good Samaritan. It is found in the book of Luke, chapter 10. The religious leaders would not help an injured man. Jesus understands that there are hypocrites. But most people at church are not hypocritical, even the ones you know do not always act the way a Christian should.

So here is the truth about hypocrites at church. It is mostly a myth. We are not hypocrites, even when we do not the way we want.

It is not on purpose. We do mean what we say about Jesus. We are trying to live up to our profession of faith. But we are not perfect. We are strugglers with our sin. And we are getting better. We are a work in progress. We are trying to live new lives in an old world. We are forgiven and now we are learning to live forgiven. So we work on putting to death the things in our lives that are not like Jesus. And we are trying to put into our lives the things that are like Jesus. Sometimes you may see us in this in-between stage.

We are sorry. That is not who we want to be. It may be who we were. It is not who we are becoming. We are changing. We are helping each other in a journey to be what Jesus calls us to be.

We invite you to join that journey. We want to tell you about the new life you can have in Jesus. We want you to watch us be changed into new people because of Jesus.

Full of hypocrites? Not really. Just flawed, forgiven strugglers who are becoming more like Jesus every day.

Via Heartlight.org

"...The Churches of Christ salute you." Romans 16:16

The men's meeting is scheduled to be held today at 5:00 pm. You are encouraged to attend.



We will have our fellowship meal next Sunday following our worship service. At that time we will celebrate the anniversaries and birthdays in June as well as bid the Bell family a farewell.



4th Annual Spiritual Reunion and Homecoming
Saturday - Sunday, June 21-22, 2014

Wilmington Central Church of Christ
 1134 N. Kerr Ave.
 Wilmington, NC 28405

Check the bulletin board for details.

God's Plan for Man
Hear God's Word
 Heb. 11:6; Rom. 10:17
Believe in Jesus
 Jn. 8:24
Repent of Sins
 Lk. 13:3; 2 Cor. 7:10
Confess Jesus' Name
 Mt. 10:32-33; Rom. 10:9-10; Mt. 16:15-16
Be Baptized
 Mk. 16:15-16; Mt. 28:18-19; Acts 2:38, 41;
 Acts 22:16; Rom. 6:3-4
Live Faithful until Death
 Mt. 10:22; Rev. 2:10

The Bible study topic for Wednesday night: A
 Chronological Study of the Life of Jesus
 Bible study starts at 6:30 PM.



God made man before woman
so as to give him time to think
of an answer for her first
question.

Proverbs 17:22
A cheerful heart is good
medicine...

Opportunities to Serve		
Welcome	Today	06/01/14
Song Leader	Don Lockey	John Lloyd
Opening Prayer	John Bowling	Willie Gore
Communion	John Bowling	Dick Phillips
	*Willie Gore	*John Bowling
	Albert Sturdivant	Lynn Means
	Josiah Garner	Bill Bartlow
Scripture Reading	John Lloyd	Albert Sturdivant
Speaker	Rick Massey	Rick Massey
Closing Prayer	Charlie Gamble	John Lloyd
Evening	John Lloyd	Devotion
Nursery	Gloria Coldwell	Belinda Lloyd

The Nursery will be open to receive children following the Communion.

Please remember to pray for the sick, lonely, and especially anyone outside Christ.

TRAVELING
 Bartlow Family Lockey Family

The complete prayer list is on the bulletin board.

Have a safe & happy
Memorial Day.

Ladies Bible Study

The ladies bible study will be held Tuesday, at 10:00 am in the fellowship room. Our study is about "God's Promises". Our time together will include prayer and songs of praise. You are welcome to join us.

Directory update

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