

## CALENDAR UPDATE

No Class until Jan 16	Valley Bible Institute (Sunset Class) Spiritual Living for Ministers
Tuesday Evenings	<b>Men's Bible Class</b> -7:00pm
Tuesday Evenings	Craft Night at the Scotts, 7:00pm
No Class until Jan 18	Valley Bible Institute (Sunset Class) I Corinthians
Jan 8	TNT
Jan 14	Mittens in January
Jan 22	TNT

### FOOD PANTRY

Thanks to your generosity our food pantry is well stocked except for the following items. We are in need of small jars of jelly, cake mixes, and small boxes of spaghetti.

### HOLIDAY DINNER PICTURES

If you want to view the pictures from the Holiday Dinner, please email Jolene McDowell at [jolene.mcdowell@yahoo.com](mailto:jolene.mcdowell@yahoo.com)

### ATTENTION MEN

If you are serving on the table, as a courtesy to others, please arrive at least ten minutes before the service begins.

If you are contributing to the Building Fund, Camp Adventure, AIM, Missions or other purposes please use one of the envelopes provided. Envelopes are in the holder by the office door.



### MITTENS in JANUARY

When: Saturday, January 14

WHERE: Church Building

TIME: 2:00pm

PLEASE BRING: Sewing Machine, Scissors, Sweaters

70% Wool or more, Buttons, Fleece if you have it, and Thread.

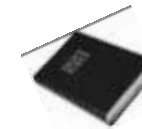
Questions or need more information contact LeiLoni Bowlus. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

*“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests”. Ephesians 6:18*

### PRAYER REQUEST

As you pray, please remember those listed below:

- Bob Garrett came forward Sunday requesting prayers.
- Megan Keller, **Mark's daughter, surgery related issues.**
- Jeff Reichel will be traveling to be with his father, Clark, when he has surgery for bladder cancer.
- Frank Houser continues to have back pain . Surgery is under consideration to relieve the pain.
- Sue Houser recovering from a broken bone in her foot.
- **Kathleen Godsoe's** co-worker, Nina Gundluck, is cancer free at this time .
- Loren and Penny Hollingsworth as they serve in the Mission Field.
- Dan Anderson, father of Connie Cannon and grandfather of Steve Cannon, heart problems.
- **Jeff Reichel's father**, Clark, has stage 3 bladder cancer.
- Katrina and Kiera granddaughters of Dave and Karen Williams, as they deal with severe medical problems.
- Steven Baldwin, son of Jay and Sandy, Afghanistan.
- Jennifer Gardner, Jazmin Baker, Emery Schramm and Renee Hankanson (granddaughter of the Wises) that they have safe pregnancies and deliver healthy babies.
- Maria Katkus-Johannesburg South Africa and Angela Young-Port Elizabeth South Africa and their teammates as they spread Gods word.
- Ben and Jazmin Baker serving God in Mexico.
- We have many members of our family traveling.
- Pray for our family members to walk worthy of our calling.
- Pray for our Country and its Leaders that they may lead us in a way that is pleasing to God.
- Continue to pray for Betty Austin, Derek Berg, Hannah Filopvich, **Joe Godsoe's Mother**, Phyllis, Mable Howes, Lyla Inman, Aspen Kuenning, Michelle Larsen, Chloe Littlefield, Audrey Maze, Julie **Kirn's sister**, Lois and Dorothy, Julie Kirns sisters cancer, Josh McLay and Family, Bonnie Murrill, Tevin Payne, Lenny Puma, Dana Kellers uncle, Lillian Schoonmaker, Ruth and Pat Riley, Teri Rush Karen William's sister, Milorad Stojanovich, Michael Street, Joshua Taylor, Chester and Ada Webb, Elaine Weldon, Diane Wise and Elizabeth Wallace.



### SUNDAY ASSEMBLY

#### January 8

10:00am Service  
 Greg Niesen  
 Kirclin Kinney  
 Chuck Sutton  
 Jeremiah 40  
 Jim Cato

Prayer

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER

In Charge Adam Hanshew  
 Assist Ron Burkhardsmeyer  
 Assist Scott Taylor  
 Assist Bob Garrett  
 Assist Nister Katkus  
 Scripture Reading Mogans Tyler  
 Lesson David Shipley  
 Closing Prayer Caleb Austin  
 Announcements Scott Crockett

#### January 8

2:00pm Service  
 James Smith  
 Scott Crockett  
 Jim Nelson  
 Jeremiah 40  
 Jason Gardner

Shaphan Collins  
 Bill Hales  
 TJ Reichel  
 Jud Scott

Aaron Weber  
 David Shipley  
 Jeremiah Collins  
 Jason Gardner

PRISON MINISTRY TBA

#### WEDNESDAY

Jan 4	Jan 11
Song Leader TJ Reichel	George Katkus
Song Leader Rocky Murrill	Rocky Murrill
Devo Mike Katkus	Chris Woods

### CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE

Upstairs (Tables, Coffee and Dessert Areas)	Downstairs
Jan 1 Katkus, Hess	Grady, Hartley
Jan 8 Keller, Kinney	Kale, Houser

(Downstairs clean-up people need to be downstairs by 12:15pm to have enough time to clean-up)

### ATTENDED NURSERY



For your convenience we offer an attended nursery downstairs for children age 2 and under, a training room to the left of the baptistry and a mother's room at the back of the auditorium.



### DEACONS

Jim Cato—Prison Ministry  
 Scott Crockett, Jud Scott, James Smith—Missions  
 Adam Hanshew—Advanced Bible Education  
 John Katkus—Fellowship  
 Mark Keller—Education  
 Barry Munsell—Church Expansion  
 Rocky Murrill—Services/Fellowship  
 Jeff Reichel—Youth  
 Chuck Sutton—Business/Finance  
 David Wolfe—Benevolence

Welcome to our Guests !  
 We are honored to have you join us as we **worship our heavenly Father in “spirit and in truth”**. **Your visit is important; so, stay around and fellowship with us.** Please plan on joining us for lunch. If there is anything that we can do for you, let us know.  
 Come again soon!

Visitors. Please fill out one of the visitor cards found in the pocket on the back of each chair. After you have filled out the card please put it in the contribution plate.

**The Lord’s Supper is available after each service for those who may not have had the opportunity to partake earlier.**

BUILDING  
 The building is being used more and more. If you are planning a meeting or an event and want to use the building PLEASE see the secretary to schedule. This includes Saturday and Sunday as well as week days. **You don’t want to be disappointed when you arrive and someone else is already using the building.**

REMINDER  
 As a courtesy to others  
 PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE.

<b><u>“I will show my faith by my works.”</u></b>		
<u>James 2:18</u>		
For the Week Beginning	12-18-11	12-25-11
Service	204	193
Bible Class	123	No Class
Contribution	\$6660	\$3208
Budget	\$6309	
Wednesday Evening	104	117
Building Contribution		

**... .. One Baptism ...** (Eph 4:5)

(Part III)

**What do we do with “FAITH ONLY” teaching?**

Many teach today that “FAITH ONLY” is what saves us from our sins and brings us into Christ. Let’s look a bit at the “faith only” idea from the Bible.–

- > Jesus taught that Faith leads to Obedience - Matt 7:21
- > Jesus taught that Baptism must follow Faith for salvation to occur – Mark 16:16
- > Peter taught that once you know who Jesus is (faith), you must **“repent and be baptized” to have your sins forgiven** – Acts 2:36-39
- > Philip was teaching the Ethiopian about Jesus and when he wanted to be baptized, Philip checked his faith AND baptized him. – Acts 8:35-38
- > Paul told the jailer that he must have FATH and then he IMMEDIATELY baptized Him and his family.–Acts 16:30-33
- > The STRONG faith, and accurate knowledge of Apollos & the 12 Ephesian Disciples was NOT enough. They had baptism wrong and needed to be **taught “the way of God more accurately” and be correctly baptized.** – Acts 18:24-19:5
- > In Romans, Paul describes Baptism as something that they all did (Rom 6:3). **When he later says salvation is for those who “confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead” in ch 10, he is comparing faith to following the Old Testament Law, not to being baptized.**
- > James tells us plainly that faith MUST be active and obedient (James 2:14-26) or it is DEAD. It is clear that an obedient, active faith is not **“earning salvation” but rather necessary to please God.** (Heb 11:6)
- > One of the SIMPLEST and CLEAREST teachings on faith & baptism is found in Paul’s letter to the churches in Galatia (Gal 3:26-28): **“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed your selves with Christ.”** This straightforward explanation is EXACTLY what Jesus taught in Mark 16:16.

- Faith always leads the way and must bring Obedience.
- Baptism is our 1<sup>st</sup> step of obedience & completes our salvation by:
  - Putting on Christ – Gal 3:27
  - Having our sins forgiven – Acts 2:38
  - Having our sins washed away – Acts 22:16
  - Joining Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection- Rom 6:3-7
- > Peter was even more blunt: **“...baptism now saves you...”** 1Ptr 3:21
- And remember, it is only by God’s Grace that salvation is even possible: “For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.”** Eph 2:8-10

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Mission of Valley church of Christ

**...Make Disciples...**  
 Matthew 28:19



**January 1, 2012**

*I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself up for me.*  
*Galatians 2:20*

**SCHEDULE OF ASSEMBLIES**

Sunday:  
 First Service.....10:00AM—11:30AM  
**Fellowship Meal .....11:45AM—12:30PM**  
 Bible Classes.....12:45PM—1:30PM  
**Second Service.....2:00PM—3:30PM**

Wednesday:  
 Bible Classes.....7:00 PM

Office Hours 9:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday  
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