

**“GOD LIGHT SHINED ABOVE ME, SO I COULD WALK THROUGH THE DARKNESS.  
I WISH FOR THE DAYS WHEN I SUCCESSFUL, WHEN I ENJOYED GOD’S  
FRIENDSHIP AND BLESSING IN MY HOME.”**



**(JOB 29:3-4 ERV)**

# Christian Deaf Church

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## APRIL 10, 2016

**SUNDAY AM BIBLE CLASS...9:00am**

**WORSHIP SERVICE.....10:30am**

**CHURCH SERVICE.....11:00am**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**WELCOME:**

**FIRST TIME VISITORS:**

**WARM GREETING:**

**TITHES-LOVE OFFERINGS:**

**SERMON:**

**AGAPE FELLOWSHIP.....12:00pm**

**SUNDAY PM BIBLE CLASS.....1:00pm**

**.....LOOK AHEAD:**



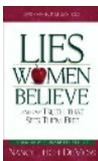
**April 16th:** WAF Ladies' Breakfast will held at Crossroad Cafe in Gladstone, OR at 9am.

**April 22nd-24th:** 14<sup>th</sup> Annual NW Deaf Christian Men's Retreat will held at Cascade Camp & Conference in Yelm, WA. The guest speaker is Linsay Darnall Jr. The theme is "IMPACT". The cost is \$120. Deadline Apr. 9th. See flyer.

## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS!

CDC offers 3 new classes for SPRING 2016

**April 13th--Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Class at 10:00am**  
Erin R will lead a class "Lies Women Believe". You can purchase the book at



[www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) or we will provides copies of pdf form.

**April 17th--Sunday AM Class--9:00am**

Our Pastor Eric will lead the class "The Battle Plan for Prayer". Sign up! You could purchase the book at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) or we will provide copies in pdf form.



**April 10th--Sunday PM Class--12:30pm**

Jennifer J and Pastor Eric both will lead a class--"The Spirit of Man". Sign up. You could purchase the book at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) or we will provide copies of pdf form.



## In Remembrance of ...

Last Friday morning, our beloved brother Gary Kauffman passed away to be his Jesus Christ. Keep your prayer and support for his wife Jerri and his family. More announcement later about the memorial service.

## PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH REVIVAL:

Will the results be lasting? Yes, because...

1. It is you--revival.
2. Church growth in Christ.
3. Passionate witnessing for lost soul.
4. Church unity with the move of the Holy Spirit.

# SUNDAY MORNING WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

## EXPECT YOUR FUTURE TO BE GREATER THAN YOUR PAST

**DETERMINE THAT YOUR FUTURE** will be greater than your past. Determine that you will enter a new season of intimacy with God. Determine that you will let go of those things that lie behind and press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Stir yourself up in your most holy faith, praying in the Spirit.

**EXPECT NEW.**

**EXPECT DREAMS REALIZED.**

**EXPECT RESTORATION**

**EXPECT Me TO MOVE IN YOUR LIFE.**

Your determination and expectation and faith will help you realize My best for you today and everyday. (Haggai 2:9; Jude 20; Philippians 3:12-14)

**PRAYER:** I want a more intimate relationship with You—Holy Spirit. Help me to let go of anything that is preventing me from drawing closer to You. Show me what I need to do to prepare myself for what Father wants to do in my life. I am willing and want to be obedient in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## *Insight Wisdom*

"The cause of all deterioration is refusal of the Holy Spirit." (S. Wiggleworth)

"As you rest in God's strength, you will see His power manifesting in your life!" (J. Prince)

## PROPHECY NEWS!

**NEWS REPORTED:** Pope Francis calls to accept gays.

**NEWS REPORTED:** ISIS massacres 174 cement plant workers captured near Damascus—reports.

**NEWS REPORTED:** Glenn Beck: U.S. in chaos because Americans are worshipping Baal and Moloch.

**NEWS REPORTED:** Temple of Baal Replica arrives in London just in time for ancient pagan festival.

**NEWS REPORTED:** Left bewailing 2017, a year marking 4 Zionist miracles. 2017 marks the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United Nations' decision to establish a Jewish state in the Land of Israel. An idea that was galvanized 120 years ago and received a strong boost 100 years ago became a wide confirmation by the nations of the world 70 years ago.

**NEWS REPORTED:** Hamas taps over 1000 terror operatives to dig Gaza tunnels.

**NEWS REPORTED:** Tennessee Lawmakers pass bill to designate 'Holy Bible' as Official State Book.

**NEWS REPORTED:** Gazans launch campaign calling on Saudi Arabia to help them make pilgrimage to Mecca.

**NEWS REPORTED:** 39% of GOP 'Evangelical' voters don't believe the Bible is literal Word of God.

**NEWS REPORTED:** Mississippi Governor approves Religious Freedom Bill.

### RENOVATION

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

— 2 CORINTHIANS 4:16 NV

# *“God’s Best Friend”*

## HOW TO DRAW CLOSER TO GOD?

Romans 4:9-12 pt 2

v. 9) Now, think about it. Does this happiness come only to the Jews, or is it available to all who believes? Our answer is this: faith was credited to Abraham as God’s righteousness!

1. Which one: HAPPINESS comes to– only the Jews or all who believes
2. T F: Works was credited to Abraham as God’s righteousness.

v. 10) How did he received this gift of righteous? Was he circumcised at the time God accepted him, or was he still uncircumcised? Clearly, he was an uncircumcised Gentile when God said this of him!

3. How did Abraham received the God’s gift of righteousness?
4. God accepted Abraham as: a CIRCUMCISED or an UNCIRCUMCISED
5. Abraham was still uncircumcised means he is an HEBREW or a GENTILE
6. Abraham was circumcised means he is an HEBREW or a GENTILE

v. 11) It was later that he received the external sign of circumcision as a seal to confirm that God has already transferred His righteousness to him by faith, while he was still uncircumcised. So now that qualifies him to become the father of all who believe among the non-Jewish people. And like their “father of faith”, Abraham, God also transfers His righteousness to them by faith.

7. Later, Abraham received the external sign of circumcision as a seal.
8. Abram was CIRCUMCISED or UNCIRCUMCISED when he impregnated Hagar, the Egyptian maid and gave a birth boy–named him Ishmael.
9. Abram was circumcised at the age of \_\_\_\_\_. (Gen. 17:24)
10. Ishmael was circumcised at the age of \_\_\_\_\_. (Gen. 17:24)
11. Abram’s name changed to \_\_\_\_\_. (Gen. 17:5)
12. Sarai’s name changed to \_\_\_\_\_. (Gen. 17:15)
13. “99” means “Fruits are ripe and ready.” And when Abram was 99 yrs old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, “I am the Almighty God,

walk before Me, and be you perfect [full matured, wholehearted].” (Gen. 17:1)

14. “13” means “depravity and rebellion”. Like the book of Revelation chapter 13 about “666–Beast”.
15. “Abram” means “an exalted father”. “Abraham” means “a father of many nations”.
16. “Sarai” means “contentious, quarrelsome, my ruler”. “Sarah” means “princess, a noble lady”.
17. “The external sign of circumcision as a **SEAL** to confirm that God had already transferred His righteousness to Abraham by faith, while Abraham was still uncircumcised.”
  - Today, “the internal sign of circumcision as a **SEAL** to confirm”... Ephesians 1:13–”...after you believed (in Jesus as your Savior and Lord), you were sealed with that the Holy Spirit of **PROMISE**.”
  - Today, “...God had already transferred His righteousness to Abraham by faith” applies with Galatians 3:14–”That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ, that we might receive the **PROMISE** of the Spirit through faith.”
  - Today, “In whom (Jesus) also you are circumcised with the circumcision made **WITHOUT HANDS**, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ.” (Colossians 2:11)
  - Today, “For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision avails anything, nor uncircumcision; but **FAITH WHICH WORKS BY LOVE**.” (Galatians 5:6)
  - Today, “For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision avails anything, nor uncircumcision, but **A NEW CREATURE**.” (Galatians 6:15)

v. 12) Yes, Abraham is obviously the true father of faith for the Jewish people who are not only circumcised but who walk in the way of faith that our father Abraham displayed before his circumcised.

18. Explain what this “who walk in the way of faith that our father Abraham displayed” means to you?