

Christian Assembly Foursquare Church

January 2018 E-Newsletter

A graphic with the year '2018' in large, stylized orange and blue numbers, with 'HAPPY NEW YEAR' written below it in smaller, similar letters. The background is a dark blue gradient.

"Have It Your Way"

For 40 years the Burger King franchise had the slogan "Have it your way!" As long as you stuck to their menu, I suppose, people could get things their way. Ask for gyros, tacos, banana splits, and you'd get a glare or a "what?"

What if you really could have it your way? There is certainly no lack for people who give their all to have life go their way. Frank Sinatra's signature song after all was "I did it my way." It would require a great deal of honesty for him and multitudes of others who live(d) that way to answer Dr. Phil's now famous question: "How's that working for you?" or "How did that work for you?"

Americans pride themselves on freedom and having life on their terms, all the while singing the song "I did it my way!" The Epistle to the Romans paints a different picture of freedom: "Surely you know that when you surrender yourselves as slaves to obey someone, you are in fact the slaves of the master you obey - either of sin, which results in death, or of obedience, which results in being put right with God" (Romans 6:16-17).

Doing life our own way, usually meaning giving into our flesh or sin, is mortally flawed and often results in death. The human being is meant for rule, but a rule under God. If life is not lived out under God, that life will be lived under some other slave master. The illusion of freedom gets generated by the choices we make and the illusion is sustained by the denial we live in; i.e., "We can or stop or quit anytime we want!"

King Solomon, at one stage in his life, said, "Whatever my eyes desired I did not keep from them. I did not withhold my heart from any pleasure..." and the end of that "...vanity and grasping for the wind. There was no profit under the sun" (Ecclesiastes 2:10-11). King Solomon is one of those rare and honest people who did answer the question of how that was working for him. King Solomon replied, "Not good!"

The choices are: have it your way or have it God's way! James, the half-brother of Jesus, offers some great direction for anytime. How about for 2018: "Come close to God and God will come close to you" (James 4:8) NLT.

Pastor Mike



VALLEY SCHOOL OF MINISTRY & LEADERSHIP

It's time to register for Winter Courses!



Online course: "Old Testament Survey" will be available beginning Saturday, January 6th.

"The Kingdom of God" starts on Monday, January 8th, @ 6 pm.

Courses are held at Christian Assembly (1001 Cleveland St.) on Monday nights or online weekly! To register call Pastor Tana at 406-370-4260, or go to schoolofministry@4bible.com to print a student application for enrollment and learn more about our program.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13th @ 9 am

Here at Christian Assembly, we want to help make a spiritual difference in a young child's life. For this to happen...we need YOU, so come check out the upcoming Christian Education meeting! Information and vision for anyone interested in any aspect of children's ministry, including parents, will be shared.

~Delicious Brunch Provided~

Check out these short videos produced (Click Here!) by Foursquare International, showing how to keep all kids safe, in all sorts of ways. For example, all of our staff and volunteers have background checks.

What a privilege to serve God's children! Give me a call or send a email if you are interested in helping with children!

Tracy Mullennix

You can contact me at mom4god@live.com - 546-1104 or work (M-F) @ 258-3274



SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

It's time for Christian Assembly's Annual Business Meeting...a great time of church family celebration! We will hear, receive, and celebrate church ministries, hear a brief business report, while enjoying a great potluck lunch after the second service. The church will provide the main dish...everyone else please bring a large

[Click Here for January's Calendar /Birthday & Anniversaries](#)

Don't see your birthday or anniversary listed?
Call the church office to update your information @ 721-6884,
Monday thru Friday, 8 am to 4 pm.

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

**Still looking for individuals to serve at Christian Assembly...
EASY WORSHIP and the SOUNDBOARD!**

Easy Worship projects the words on to the screen during services. EW is easy to learn! Our goal is to have individuals serve ONE Sunday per month. Contact Corb Morgan at 1-253-241-7718 to help in this area.

SOUNDBOARD: If you have an 'ear' for sound and would like to serve ONE Sunday a month, then check in with Corb Morgan at 1-253-241-7718.

ONLINE GIVING @ CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

[Click Here](#) to donate ONLINE to Christian Assembly via our website.

In addition, by utilizing a smart phone, you are able to scan the QR Code **OR** send text to 715-803-4772 and insert 1070824 as your text. User-friendly instructions will guide you through the process. You will receive a text with Continue to Give link. Giving kiosk is available between 1st & 2nd Sunday Services and after 2nd Service in the Foyer.



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