

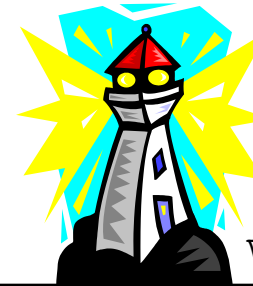
~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

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| Sunday 1st Service Welcome/ Announcements Scripture / Prayer Song Leader | December 31, 9:00 A.M. Alfred Barnes Greg Harp Evan Barnes | January 07, 9:00 A.M. Alfred Barnes Nathan Bell Russ Baker |
| Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer | Randy Harp Willie Green / Farron Whisenant Nathaniel Ferguson Donnell Robison | Randy Harp Dylan Madden/ Levi Madden Alfred Barnes Greg Harp |
| Prepare Communion | Debbie Richards | Debbie Richards |
| Sunday 2nd Service Welcome/ Announcements Scripture/ Prayer Song Leader Preside Communion Serving Preaching Closing Prayer | December 31, 11:30 A.M. Michael Hollis Greg Harp Randy Harp Randy Harp Willie Green / Farron Whisenant Nathaniel Ferguson Russ Baker | January 07, 11:30 A.M. Michael Hollis Michael Hollis Russ Baker & Different Leaders Nathan Bell Dylan Madden / Levi Madden Alfred Barnes Dylan Madden |
| Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM | January 3, 7:00 P.M. | January 10, 7:00 P.M. |

Weekly Assembly Schedule
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Worship
 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM - Bible Classes
 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM - Worship
 Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 PM
 (Some variation may be necessary)

“ In Christ Be Free In 2023 ”

| <u>What Must I Do To Be Saved?</u> | | <u>Record of Attendance</u> | |
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| Realize I am lost | Rom. 3:23 | <u>12/24/2023</u> | <u>Total</u> |
| Hear the Gospel | Acts 15:7 | Sun. Bible Study | 49 |
| Believe the Gospel | Mk. 16:15-16 | Sun. 1st Worship | 30 |
| Repent of sins | Acts 17:30 | Sun. 2nd Worship | 32 |
| Confess Christ | Rom. 10:9-10 | Wednesday Evening | 16 |
| Baptized to remit sins | Acts 2:38 | Contribution | \$5069.00 |
| Remain faithful | 2 Pet. 1:5-11 | | |



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“The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.” Psalm 119:130

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

1st Worship 9:00 am
 Bible Class 10:30 am
 2nd Worship 11:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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*“For the love of Christ
 constraineth us; because
 we thus judge, that if one
 died for all, then were all
 dead. And that He died for
 all, that they which live
 should not henceforth live
 unto themselves, but unto
 Him which died for them,
 and rose again.”*

2 Cor. 6:14-15 NKJV

**For Christ Do More In
 In 2024**

| Our Prayer List | Activities And Events |
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| <p>Pat Rainwater, friend of Steve Pollard, has cancer and needs our prayers.</p> <p>Harold Williams, is home recovering from hip surgery and having home health care.</p> <p>Nancy Whisenant, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Vera Hannah, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Marilyn Valentine, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Frank Johnson, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Henrietta Jones, is recovering from surgery.</p> <p>Deanna Biddulph, sister-in-law of Scott Richards has breast cancer.</p> <p>Shannon Deleon, niece of Scott Richards will have brain surgery soon.</p> <p>Gainell Green, sister of Willie Green, is at home. She is being taken care of at home.</p> <p>Havanna Goebel, is still experiencing pain. It was great to hear she is doing better.</p> <p>Continued Prayer List–Josiah nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friend Pauline Noel, Don Cheek, Sal & Barbara Joseph, Bernice Harris, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison’s mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes.</p> <p><u>Send Cards, Make Calls, Show your Love and Care!</u></p> | <p>Today- 9:00 A.M. 1st morning service.</p> <p>Today- Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 10:30A.M.</p> <p>Today-11:30 A.M. 2nd service.</p> <p>Wednesday night Bible class– 7:00 P.M.</p> |
| | <p>Continued Prayer List</p> <p>Ericka Lee, Havanna Goebel joyfully reports her daughter, Ericka, is improving. Her tumors have shrunk. God hears our prayers. Cards can be sent to: Ericka Lee, 1030 E. Ocean Blvd, Unit 601 Long Beach, Ca 90802.</p> <p>Vera Pollard, daughter-in-law of Paul Pollard and niece of Steve, Donna Williams and Robin Wilson. Vera is improving. Keep this family in your prayers.</p> <p>Donald Favor, brother of Havanna Goebel, had a massive heart attack. Prayers are needed.</p> |
| | <div><div></div><div><p>SEARCH TV MUSIC</p><p>All the music used on the program is available for down load in the resources section at www.Search TV.org</p></div></div> |
| <p>Who can measure all the blessings, joy and love our God has given us in the year 2023! “See how great a love the Father has given to us, that we would be called children of God; and we are.” (I John 3:1) <i>May we continue to serve and grow in the Lord in 2024.</i></p> | <div><div><p>In Search Of The Lord's Way Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM 01/07 /24 “What God Has Done” 01/14 /24 “ God's Gift Of Love” 01/21 /24 “ Meant For Good” 01/28 /24 “But He Lied”</p></div><div></div></div> |
| <p><u>ELDERS’ COMMENTS</u></p> | |
| <p>As we begin a new year in the Lord’s work at Tara the elders are excited about the potential we have as a congregation. God will be blessing our efforts as we strive to grow individually and as a congregation. We will be presenting the 2024 budget soon. We all need to examine our giving, and if an increase is within our prosperity, then our giving to the Lord’s work should be increased accordingly. Debbie is working to update our church directory. We need your help with it. New families will be added, while others will be deleted. Any corrections needed on your listing must be brought to her attention immediately, Write it down or send as a text and give it to her as soon as you can. Let’s all think about our new theme for 2024 and what we can do to practice it.</p> | |

PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT IN THE LORD'S WORK

Scripture is very plain about the importance of personal involvement in the work of the church. To deny its importance is to ignore scores of exhortations throughout the New Testament. We will be wise to consider them seriously. Just one such passage that is so often quoted, yet often ignored, obviously is, *"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."* (1 Cor.15:58)

Please note some of the biblical reasons for personal involvement in the work of Christ.

Because we love the Lord. Jesus said, *"If you love me, keep my commandments"* (John 14:15) The passage written to the Corinthians above is a command to the church then, and for all time. Actively working in the church is a test of our love for the church, as well as for the Lord. A genuine love is always seen in action. *"My little children, let us not love in word, or in tongue, but in deed and in truth"* (1 John 3:18)

Because it pleases God. Does anyone really think we can please God when we refuse to do that which we can and should do? Before Enoch left this world he had this testimony, *"that he pleased God."* (Heb.11:5) When we leave this old world, will such a testimony be given about us? Jesus said, *"I always do those things that please Him* (the Father). (John 8:29) If we follow Jesus we will say the same thing.

Because of the importance of the Lord's work. Could there be anything in this world more important? What is more important than building up the church? What is more important than winning the lost to Christ? The salvation of just one soul is more important than the whole world. (Matt.16:26) Anything that pertains to the work of the church should be regarded as most important. We often fail to do what we should do because we don't see its importance. We do those things that we consider important.

Because it is good. Personal involvement in the work of the church is good for us. It's also good for the church. Who would deny this? Jesus *"...went about doing good..."* (Acts 10:38) What else would we expect? The follower of Jesus does the same...He goes about doing good. What else would we expect? Failing to do good is sinful. (James 4:17) We can lose our souls simply by failing to do good. (Matt.25:41-45)

Because of our influence. Jesus said, *"You are the light of the world.... Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven."* (Matt. 5:16) If we are to have a good influence upon others (family, friends, neighbors), we must be involved in good works. And what better works can we be involved with than the work of the church? Christians are exhorted to *"stir up love and good works"* in one another. (Heb.10:24) What better way is there to do this than to be involved ourselves?

(To be continued)

Richard

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In 2024

Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!