

Coldwater Church of Christ

March 4, 2012

Welcome to our services!

Tonight is our "first Sunday of the month devotion night". We'll have special prayers and singing and a short devotional talk. Please join us for this uplifting time of prayer and praising God.

Joyce Fosdick is undergoing therapy for her back pain. Please pray for relief.

Thanks to all those who made an effort to bring in food for the pantry. It is looking very well right now and we'll tell you when more food is needed. Your generosity is overwhelming. On that note, if you know of someone who is in need of food, the pantry is available.

You probably have seen the news reports of the tornadoes that have struck various towns in the south. Please keep these families in your prayers as they recover from the devastation.

March 24th, April 22nd, May 13th and May 20th are important dates for our group. Please write these down in your calendars and keep these times open so that you may be present. Check the "Upcoming Events" page for more information.

Speaking of important dates, May 13th will be our "Mother's Day Breakfast". Mothers and their families are invited to come early and be served a special breakfast here at the building. More information is forthcoming.

*"I believe the Bible is the best gift God has ever given to man. All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated to us through this book."
 -- President Abraham Lincoln*

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Ex.20:1-17

The Ten Commandments

T T W G S R E T A W S N I D Y
 H E A N S L A B O R E W K E S
 O V L I E S E M E R O R K T G
 U O I H M A E H D R O N I S A
 S C E S A N T L S W O D F E T
 A D N I N A I H T D O E N R E
 N N A N F H I A H L A E T S S
 D E T U C P T E S T I M O N Y
 B I I P G H R S M G N U S E L
 L T M T O H E O H E E E G V O
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 S R C S E R H T R A E V A H S
 E O I R S A B B A T H R E F D
 D M U R D E R Y R E T L U D A

ALIEN HEAVENS
 BLESSED JEALOUS
 COMMIT MISUSES
 COVET MOTHER
 EARTH MURDER
 FALSE NEIGHBOR
 GATES NEITHER
 HATE PUNISHING
 NAME SABBATH
 LOVE SEVENTH
 HOLY THOUSAND
 HONOR WORSHIP
 IDOL ADULTERY
 STEAL CHILDREN
 LABOR DAUGHTER
 RESTED DONKEY
 WORK GUILTLESS
 WATERS FATHERS
 TESTIMONY

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

 Prov.14

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Today's Sermon..... Celebrate Faithfulness
Next Week's Sermon..... Causes of Unfaithfulness
Sunday Adult Bible Class... How to Stay a Christian
Sunday Night..... Devotion
Service Times: Sunday: Bible Class..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship:.....11:00 a.m.
Evening.....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:..... 7:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

3rd Sunday – potluck – no evening service
March 16-17 - Camp Indogan Lock-In
March 24- Mens' Breakfast Ponderosa 8:30 am
April 22 - Lowell Huffman – Camp Indogan
April 28 - Camp Indogan Dinner
May 13 - Mother's Day Breakfast
May 20 - Family/Friend Day- Invite a friend
July 8-13 - Dave's Camp Indogan Session

*****Prayer List*****

Cathleen Waites – possible Alzheimer's
Dick Trine – Tom's step-father - cancer
Shirley Flaughter –home
Joyce Fosdick – therapy for back pain
Loretta's Aunt Goldy – lung cancer
Sharon Keifer – liver cancer – being treated
Diane – Ruth's daughter –chemo treatments
Marvin – eye surgery – healing @ home
Beth - health issues
Tornado victims

Know Your Bible TV. 10:30 pm Mon-Thurs.on channel 19

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Steps of Salvation

<u>Hearing</u>	Ro 10:14, 17	<u>Believing</u>	Acts 16:31
<u>Repentance</u>	Acts 2:38	<u>Confessing</u>	Acts 8:36-37
<u>Being baptized</u>	Acts 2:38	<u>Faithful unto death</u>	Mt 7:21

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Celebrate Faithfulness

Over most of my life I have been associated with the Coldwater Church of Christ, and have been privileged to witness what is most often lacking in many areas of our society. I have witnessed and have cherished the proof of faithfulness. This proof lies in the integrity of our membership and is evident from actions readily seen.

Nothing is maintained or sustained without thought and a commitment to faithfulness. The church of Jesus Christ was begun on a phrase of faithfulness. **Matt. 16: 18 “And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”** Jesus was filled to the brim with faithful statements, and actions, and history shows this to be true. I do think that this should be our motto, “I will live my life in faithful service to my King, Jesus Christ, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”

Is this really our motto? Yes, I do believe it has been for many over the years. How do I know? Places of worship are not built on unfaithfulness, they are built by faithfulness. Camp Indogan was not built and maintained by unfaithfulness, but by faithfulness. Marriages that last are not based on unfaithfulness, but faithfulness with divorce not an option. In this congregation we have an estimated 850 years of marital faithfulness meaning husband and wives have committed their lives to each other. The following scripture means something: **Hebrews 13:4 “Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous”**

Many who become Christians and find themselves confessing Christ, will also, at times, find themselves unfaithful to the cause of Christ. **In 2 Timothy 2:11-13 “The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.”** No matter what some people do with their faith, we certainly know what the answer is concerning unfaithfulness. If we endure, we will be with Him, if we deny Him, He will deny us, if we are unfaithful, He will still be faithful. So let us celebrate the faithfulness we have in our marriages, in our work for the Lord, and in our daily lives for the one who gave Himself for us because we do have faithfulness in our congregation, the Lord's Church in Coldwater. **Matthew 25:21: ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’** **Dave**