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Acts	John	Philippians
Colossians	Jude	Revelation
Corinthians	Luke	Romans
Ephesians	Mark	Thessalonians
Galatians	Matthew	Timothy
Hebrews	Peter	Titus
James	Philemon	

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*Today's Sermon..... The Word*  
*Next Week's Sermon..... He Has Risen*  
*Sunday Adult Bible Class... How to Stay a Christian*  
*Sunday Night..... Devotion Night*  
**Service Times:** *Sunday: Bible Class..... 10:00 a.m.*  
*Worship:.....11:00 a.m.*  
*Evening.....6:00 p.m.*  
*Wednesday:..... 7:00 p.m.*

# Coldwater Church of Christ

April 1, 2012

## Welcome to our services!

*Tonight is our monthly singing night. Please join us as we sing praises to our God!*

*No report yet on Cathleen's latest brain tests. Please continue to pray for her.*

*Tom's mother, Carol Trine, is having tests done. Please remember her in your prayers as well as Tom's step-father, Dick Trine, who is being treated for cancer.*

*Charles Scott's father, Charles, has had a stroke and heart attack. He is not doing well so please keep him in your prayers.*

*You will notice something new in the parking lot. Shaun and David installed a "prayer box" that will be used to invite the public to solicit prayers for themselves, friends or family from the church. Please let your friends know that if they need prayers, they are welcome to place a piece of paper in the box with their needs. This is another way we can reach out to the community.*

*June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11 a.m., there will be a Memorial Service for Red Burroughs, Wanda's husband.*

### *Eagles in a Storm*

*Did you know that an eagle knows when a storm is approaching long before it breaks? The eagle will fly to some high spot and wait for the winds to come. When the storm hits, it sets its wings so that the wind will pick it up and lift it above the storm. While the storm rages below, the eagle is soaring above it. The eagle does not escape the storm. It simply uses the storm to lift it higher. It rises on the winds that bring the storm. When the storms of life come upon us – and all of us will experience them – we can rise above them by setting our minds and our belief toward God. The storms do not have to overcome us. We can allow God's power to lift us above them. God enables us to ride the winds of the storm that bring sickness, tragedy, failure and disappointment in our lives. We can soar above the storm. Remember, it is not the burdens of life that weigh us down, it is how we handle them.*

God is able to do immeasurably more than all we can ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us. To him be the glory forever. (Ephesians 3:20-21)

## Upcoming Events:

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday night- Devotion: singing, prayer service  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – potluck – no evening service  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Night- Youth Group  
April 22 - Lowell Huffman – Camp Indogan Presentation  
April 28 - Camp Indogan Dinner  
May 13 - Mother’s Day Breakfast  
May 20 - Family/Friend Day- Invite a friend  
June 2 - Red’s Burroughs Memorial - 11:00 am  
July 8-13 - Dave’s Camp Indogan Session

### **\*\*\*Prayer List\*\*\***

*Cathleen Waites – tests of brain*  
*Dick Trine – Tom’s step-father – cancer*  
*Carol Trine – Tom’s mother - tests*  
*Charles Scott – Charles’ father –stroke, heart attack*  
*Shirley Flaughner*  
*Joyce Fosdick – many problems*  
*Loretta’s Aunt Goldy – lung cancer- no treatment*  
*Sharon Keifer – liver cancer – being treated*  
*Diane – Ruth’s daughter –chemo treatments*  
*Beth - health issues*  
*Blessings of Life*

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

*Dave’s Cell: 517-227-8867 Website: [coldwatercoc.com](http://coldwatercoc.com)*

### *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

**Our Elders:** Tom Cornett 269-719-5748  
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## **Our Teacher!**

Today, the first day of April, is focused on by some as “April Fools’ Day.” Also called “All Fools’ Day” it has become known as a day for practical jokes. This custom is noted as having begun in France in 1564 when a change in the calendar shifted New Year’s Day from April first to January first. Those who continued to observe April first were ridiculed for their foolishness. [source: The Concord Desk Encyclopedia”, © 1982]

A day for practical jokes is one thing, but when foolishness becomes the reality of living, it is a very serious matter. Some who consider themselves very wise may be so only in their own estimation. Someone has cautioned, “He who will not learn of anyone except himself has a fool for a teacher.” Solomon said it this way:

“Do you see A MAN who is WISE IN HIS OWN EYES? There is MORE HOPE FOR A FOOL than for him.” ( [Proverbs 26:12](#) ESV)  
Even a fool might sense the need for correction. However, too high an estimation of self often leads to blinding one for recognizing the true need. Conceit and pride crowd out the humility needed for openness to counsel and INSTRUCTION.

Are we seeking to learn from beyond ourselves? We can know no more than what we know if we only learn from ourselves. God’s Word provides wisdom that is practical for all of life. Are we remaining open to the INSTRUCTION He offers? Solomon exhorted...

“KEEP HOLD OF INSTRUCTION; do not let go; guard her for SHE IS YOUR LIFE.” ( [Proverbs 4:13](#) ESV)

Some suggest that knowledge is power. There is some truth to that. However, Solomon indicated being open to INSTRUCTION is life! God’s practical teachings help us to live the best life we possibly can. Our acceptance of INSTRUCTION also potentially impacts more than our own life, for Solomon also stated. . .

“Whoever HEEDS INSTRUCTION IS ON THE PATH TO LIFE, but he who rejects reproof leads others astray.” ( [Proverbs 10:17](#) ESV)  
To ignore the INSTRUCTION OF GOD is to despise ourselves ( [Proverbs 15:32](#)) and would we not agree that sounds like a pretty foolish thing to do? God’s Word is adequate to provide the teaching, reproof, correction, and training in righteousness necessary for equipping us to live and work to His glory and praise. ( [2 Timothy 3:16-17](#)) May the learning continue that our life may be properly based and directed. borrowed