

Church of Christ

Florence

January 6, 2019

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Schedule of Services

Bible Class	9:30 am
Worship	10:30 am
Evening Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Class	7:00 pm

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FROM THE ELDERS

Due to safety concerns
The church doors will be locked
10 minutes after the beginning of service.

Someone will be stationed in the foyer
to allow admittance to latecomers.

Do Not Love the World

by Dennis Stackhouse

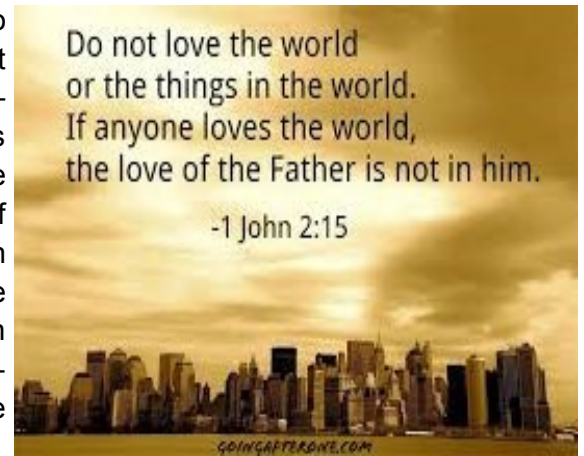
The fact that Cristian people are to be different from those who do not follow Christ, is clearly stated for us in I John 2:15-17: "Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever." The original term that is translated "world" is used here by John to identify those people whose thoughts and actions are opposed to God, those whose lives are not guided by God's word.

The Scriptural plea to not love the world is put in very graphic, unmistakable language in James 4:4, where we read: "You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God." This verse clearly makes a separation between the world and God; it would be impossible for anyone to "ride the fence" in this regard. We cannot have one foot in the world and one foot in God's camp, it has to be one or the other. Jesus Himself reinforces such a thought in Matthew 12:30: "He who is not with Me is against Me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters." So many people want a third choice, an area of non-commitment where they are neither serving God or the world. But Jesus said this is impossible; we are either for Him or we are against Him. In other words, if we are not serving God we are serving the devil, even if we don't realize it.

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The Church you read about in the Bible

Paul had this to say in Romans 12:2: "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." For the Christian, conformity with the world is unacceptable. In fact, we are to be completely different from the world so that others can see what it looks like to be a follower of God. James 1:27 gives us another insight as to how a Christian should be living above the world: "Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world." For every one of us seeking to live as a Christian, we are not to allow the practices and thoughts of this world to invade our lives.



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or the things in the world.
If anyone loves the world,
the love of the Father is not in him.

-1 John 2:15

Is it possible to escape this physical world that surrounds us? Certainly not. But even though we are living in the world, Christian people should not be living as the world. We are to be different; the non-Christians we encounter should be able to see Christ living in us (Galatians 2:20). Paul put it very well in Philippians 2:15: "Prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world." That is a terrific goal all Christians should embrace as we seek to not love the world.



*Mr. and Mrs. David Mayfield
and
Mr. and Mrs. Sharon Emmons*

*request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of*

*Isabella Angelina Mayfield
and
Blake Ryan Emmons*

*Friday the eighteenth of January
Two thousand nineteen
at five o'clock in the evening*

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Collecting For Those In Need

The Emergency Shelter of NKY items needed:
(Men's Shelter)

- **SOCKS**
- Men's Jeans
- Men's Sweatshirts
- Men's and Women's Sweatpants
- Underwear (New)

There is a sign-up sheet for those interested in helping at the shelter.

Benevolence Pantry items needed:

- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Chicken
- Diapers
- Wipes

We would also like to collect diapers and wipes to give away at the clothing day next year.

We emptied the pantry at the clothing give away so we are starting over .

Potluck

For January our Potluck will be on Sunday morning January 13th after our A.M. service. Nancy Delauder's son will be in town and will cook a chili supper for the congregation. We are asked to bring side dishes and desserts.

Our singing night will still be on the 4th Sunday evening.

B+

Please share with everyone you know—Caleb Robbins is in need of a kidney and is now receiving dialysis three times a week. He has B+ blood type. For more information please contact Marty Hudson 513-636-6794

Please keep Caleb and his family in your prayers

Lads Memory Verses

1 Timothy 4:2	Genesis 4:7
Matthew 28:19-20	Genesis 5:27
Mark 16:15-16	Genesis 39:9
1 Peter 3:21	Genesis 11:6
Acts 2:38	Exodus 14:14
Revelation 2:10	Joshua 24:15
1 Peter 1:15-16	Micah 6:8
Genesis 1:1	Proverbs 22:1

Lads to Leaders are meeting this afternoon
1:00 - 3:00.

To ensure accuracy of announcements and prayer requests please fill out a gold or blue form and turn in to the office by Wednesday.

Prayer List

James Blair is sick and is scheduled to begin cancer treatments January 8th

Coleman Blair has a bad infection in his toe

The Hubbard family, a friend of the Browns, lost her stepmother last week and her grandmother is in the hospital

June Pugh is having some health issues

Roy Pugh is in the hospital

Sandy Richards family issues

Bob and Mary Olsen health issues

Ongoing prayer requests

Issac	Caleb Robbins	Doug and Ella
Joe Carr	James Palmore	Carmack
Shirley Zerkle	Rosemary Warmack	

Our Elders

Our Nation's Leaders

Our Military Personnel

Our Police, Emergency and Healthcare Personnel

The Churches of Christ around the world

All those traveling

The Emergency Shelter

The Creation Museum and Ark Encounter

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones

Those with cancer and their families

Lula Creech	Debbie Hellman	Nancy Lambert
Randy Williams	Desirae Wilson	Janice Gallagher
Jeanette Misner	Dwight Lowerg	Kay Shinck
Kristen Shaw	Layla Adkins	Jim McCarthy
Donna Farrar	Ayden Egan	Donnice Palmer
Lorraine Starr	Peggy Davis	Brooks Dobson
Tammy Palmer	Gwen Miller	Kaily Jones
December Vosquez	Chad Fischer	Mrs. Zeph
Mike Lowe	James Blair	Galen Stanley
Zoe Needham		

Our shut-ins and those caring for them

Joyce Tingle	Della LeMasters
Eveline Lanham	Dessie Hacker
Bob Hamon	Rosemary Warmack

“For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are attentive to their prayer” 1 Peter 3:12

Serving in AM Worship

Announcements	January 6	January 13
Opening Prayer	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Song Leader	Bill Morgan	Robert Budy
	Bruce Adams	Jesse Black
Communion	Art Green	Clint Green
Serve	Bobby Lemay	Bobby Lemay
Serve	Dave Moster	Dave Moster
Serve	Kyle Strasser	Kyle Strasser
Serve	Wyatt Robbins	Wyatt Robbins
Serve	Dan Brown	Dan Brown
Serve	Steve Thomas	Steve Thomas
Scripture Reading	Dave Moster	Bruce Adams
<i>Titus 2 11-14</i>		
Sermon	Bruce House	Bruce House
<i>The Curse and Remedy for Worldliness</i>		
Closing Prayer	Clint Green	Randy Johnson

Serving in PM Worship

Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Jesse Black	Mark Walker
Song Leader	Bruce Adams	Jesse Black
Communion	Art Green	Clint Green
Invitation	Bruce House	Bruce Adams
Closing Prayer	Dave Moster	Robert Budy

Wednesday

January 9

Song Leader	Robert Budy
Invitation	Bruce House
Announcements	Art Green
Closing Prayer	Dave Moster

January 16

Song Leader	Jesse Black
Invitation	Robert Budy
Announcements	Art Green
Closing Prayer	Bruce Adams

Communion Prep

January The Brown's

Greeters

Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men. Ephesians 6:7



Mark Your Calendar

2019

January 6	Lads Meeting 1:00 pm-3:00pm
January 12	Shelter Meal
January 13	Potluck
January 18	Mayfield and Emmons Wedding
January 19	Lads Individual Scrapbook 11:00 am-2:00 pm
January 20	Lads Meeting 1:00 pm-3:00pm
January 26	Singing Night

Deacons

Jesse Black *Children's Education/
Fellowships
Building Maintenance*

Wyatt Robbins *Youth and as needed*

Coordinators

Jerry Gorman *Prime Timers*

Dave Moster *Worship Service/
Duty Roster*

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