

The Work of The Church

Matthew 16:13-19

Opening remarks: The questions come to my mind is, what is the purpose of the Church? There are several answers to this question. For the sake of time, I will attempt to answer a few of the basic ones. **(1) Why was the church of Jesus Christ founded? (2) What is the church's purpose? (3) What reason does the Bible give us for the church being brought into existence?**

Jesus Christ said that He would build His church and that the gates of hell, or death, would not prevail against it and so we know the church cannot be stopped from existing (**Matthew 16:13-19**).

Peter Confesses Jesus as the Christ Matthew 16:13-19

- 1. The Great Commission Matthew 28:16-19.**
- 2. What does the Bible say about the Gospel of Christ?
Colossians 1:12-14.**
- 3. What is the work of church?
Romans. 15:1, 1Thessalonians 5:9-1**
- 4. Purpose of the Church: To glorify God and to take the gospel into all the world.
Hebrews 10:24-25, 2 Timothy 3:16-17**

Conclusion

The New Testament is clear about the purpose of the church. It is the same purpose for which we were made. To glorify God and to take the **gospel** into all the world. The Bible clarifies the reason for mankind and the church.

HOW DOES ONE BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH?

One does not “**join**” the church. **The Lord adds** to the church those who are being saved (Acts 2:47). To be saved, one must do the will of God (Matt. 7:21-23). The will of God as expressed by the New Testament, for the sinner outside the body of Christ must:

HEAR THE GOSPEL
Romans 10:17

BELIEVE IN CHRIST
John 8:24 Hebrews 11:6

REPENT OF THEIR SINS
Acts 17:30 & 26:20

CONFESS FAITH IN CHRIST
Matt. 10:32 Rom. 10:10

**BE BAPTIZED FOR THE
REMISSION OF SINS**
Mark 16:16 Acts 2:38 Acts 22:16

BE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH
Rev. 2:10

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WORSHIP SERVICES
Sunday
11:00 A.M.

BIBLE STUDY
10:00 A.M.

SPANISH SERVICES
Sunday Worship 2:00 P.M.
Spanish Bible Study
Postponed due to COVID-19
Thursday Bible Study 7:00 P.M.
via ZOOM

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

YOU ARE OUR HONORED GUESTS. WE HOPE YOUR VISIT WITH US TODAY WILL BE REWARDING AND SPIRITUALLY UPLIFTING. IN ORDER THAT WE MAY SERVE YOU BETTER, PLEASE FILL OUT A YELLOW VISITOR'S CARD LOCATED ON THE BACK OF EACH PEW AND DROP IN THE COLLECTION PLATE.

PRAY REQUESTS:

CHERYL KNOBLOCK had the results of her biopsy come in sooner than expected. Unfortunately, it is lymphoma. The surgeon has referred her to an oncologist for treatment determination. We must keep Chery & her medical staff in your prayers.

MARIO DEANGELIS, friend of Schultz family had a cancerous tumor removed 2 weeks ago, enduring an 8 hour surgery by specialists in NYC. He was able to come home this week. He will meet with doctors in 2 weeks to discuss future plans. Please pray for Mario to be cancer free with a complete recovery.

JAN THOMPSON still needs our prayers for her pain to be minimal. Sitting for a long period of time is extremely uncomfortable. Please remember Jan in prayer.

DEE STARR has her good days and not so good days. She remains under Hospice Care. Please continue remembering Dee in your daily prayers.

JOHN & EME SULLIVAN have started their relocation to Oklahoma, arriving in Norman on Friday. They will actually start moving into their house today. This coincides with Eme still wearing a boot after having surgery on her foot & John working with doctors to get medications in sync. Please keep the Sullivan family in prayer.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE VICTMS FROM THE UKRAINE WAR

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

SARA MULLER's chronic pains to subside.

SANDY WATTS that injections in her eye will prevent or delay blindness.

MICHAEL MORENO as he go thru procedures necessary for future heart transplant

STEVE OLLIER as he is still enduring agonizing pain from major dental surgery.

DEBBIE YENAWINE to find a lasting way to combat her demons.

BONNIE NORFLEET NEWMAN to keep improving after having a stroke

TERRY NEWMAN as he endures a myriad of health issues.

SELENA, GENESIS & CATALEYA to remain healthy and seizure free.

YAJAIRA PINTO-COHEN to be completely healed from Bells Palsy

BETTY RANDOLPH to have a timely healing process on her broken wrist.

JOHN SULLIVAN's mother, **LIL**, to have comfort after the loss of her husband.

Send prayer requests, news & updates to: melcocbulletin@yahoo.com

COMING EVENTS

LEROY SMITH will deliver the message this morning: *"The Work of the Church"*.

Order of Morning Service

Opening Announcements
Song # 1
Lord's Supper
Offering
Prayer for the Sick
Song #2
Sermon
Song #3 / Invitation
Closing Announcements
Closing Prayer

The upcoming schedule of church gatherings will be as follows until further notice:

Sunday Morning Bible Study - 10:00 am

Sunday Morning Worship - 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Sunday Evening Worship - Not Offered

Wednesday Evening Bible Study - Not Offered

ELDERS & DEACONS MEETING * SATURDAY, MAY 7 @ 9:00 AM

Members of our congregation are welcome to attend. This meeting is the place to address any questions, concerns and/or provide ideas, input & feedback.

RESTROOM REFURBISHMENT PROJECT IS COMPLETE! New toilets in both restrooms plus new tile in each restroom & entry way have been installed.

THE LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 am on Saturday, May 14 at the bldg. Sandy Watts will be teaching! Remember Haiti and bring a friend.

IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY with **PHIL SANDERS** will be shown on **KFMB @ 7:00 am on Sunday mornings.** *This program is a wealth of info, resources and the preaching of Christ & you are encouraged to see for yourself.*

MAY BIRTHDAYS

1	Jan Thompson	7	Irma Melendez
6	Theresa O'Berry	30	Joe Gormany
6	Joyce Rhodes	31	Steven O'Berry