

THE POOR HAVE THE GOSPEL PREACHED TO THEM

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I was reminded the other night that the greatest thing one can do for another is to teach them the Gospel of Christ. Great philanthropists have fed many hungry mouths through the riches and generosity. Great doctors have healed many difficult sicknesses. Great ophthalmologists have restored sight to many blind or mostly blind individuals. But the greatest acts have resulted in the spiritually blind being healed, the spiritually sick being restored, and the spiritually hungry being filled.

“The blind see and the lame walk; the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear; the dead are raised up and the poor have the gospel preached to them.”

-Matthew 11:5

One commentator suggested that the things listed in the above verse work from the least to the most important. From blindness to crippled to deafness to healing to being raised to hearing the gospel. Jesus did some wondrous things while walking the earth, culminating in the most wondrous – preaching the Gospel.

The Gospel is God’s power unto salvation, let us not be silent! (Romans 1:16). 🔍

Welcome to our services and thank you for visiting. If you have any questions about our beliefs or practices, please don’t hesitate to ask.

God has not only commanded us to worship Him, but has also told us how, in His word. **The elements of our services, as prescribed by God’s word, are as follows:**

- **SINGING:** Ephesians 5:18,19; Colossians 3:16
- **PREACHING/TEACHING:** Acts 2:42; Eph. 4:11,12
- **PRAYING:** Acts 2:42; Acts 12:5
- **LORD’S SUPPER:** 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 20:7
- **GIVING:** 1 Corinthians 16:1,2; 2 Corinthians 9:6,7



COME WORSHIP WITH US!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...9:00
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....10:00
SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP.....6:00
WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES....7:00

- www.defendthegospel.com
- Weekly Article: Rutherford Reader
- 3rd Sunday Singing Practice: 5 pm
- 4th Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- Radio program on wgns. 15 minute sermon every Sunday morning from 10:45 - 11:00.
- 5th Sunday Men’s Training Class, 4:30 pm. Prayer Service, 6 pm
- Men’s Business Meeting. 1st Sunday evenings following services.



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“They...searched the scriptures daily...” –Acts 17:11

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GOSPEL MEETINGS

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A Gospel Meeting is a special series of lessons hosted by a local church in a particular area. Generally, a visiting preacher from out of town does the preaching. Sometimes the preaching is done by several different preachers. Many formats are chosen by different churches to use to conduct their meetings. Our upcoming meeting will run from Sunday through Friday. The name is derived from the activity; we meet together to proclaim the Gospel. Our purpose in this Gospel Meeting is two-fold: (1) The edification, exhortation, and encouragement of the saints (Ephesians 4:11-16; Hebrews 10:24, 25). (2) To teach the Gospel to those who are not members of the Lord’s church (1 Thessalonians 1:8). We can help ensure the success of our Gospel Meeting by...

Praying. “Pray without ceasing...” (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Pray for the preacher conducting the meeting. Pray for the members that they will have health and desire to attend all of the services without letting worldly events get in the way. Pray that parents will teach their children an essential lesson by showing them the things of God are more important than even important things in this life. Pray for yourself that you may have and make opportunities to invite people to the services, etc.

Planning. Much of the success of a Gospel meeting lies in the attendance of the local members. Don’t plan things that will keep you out of town during the meeting. We need you here! When you’re absent, two things can happen. (1) Members are discouraged by smaller numbers. When I come to services and very few of the members are there, my heart sinks; but when there is a good crowd, my heart is encouraged. (2) I have seen incidents where people visited from the community and the member who invited them wasn’t even there at that service! There are emergencies and other things that may be unavoidable; but other than these, we really need to plan to be at all of the services of the Gospel Meeting (Matt 6:33).

Preparing. We can prepare by inviting people to the services. Use the prepared flyers to distribute. If you need more, we can make as many as you can use. See your email or our website for an electronic version of the Flyer. Share on Facebook, email it to friends, etc. Let’s be diligent to ensure success in this Gospel Meeting! 🔍

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Gospel Meeting



June 14-19, 2015
Southside church of Christ
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Preacher: Larry R. Ping II

Service Times

Sunday

9:00 am

10:00 am

6:00 pm

Weeknights

Mon. 7:00 pm

Tues. 7:00 pm

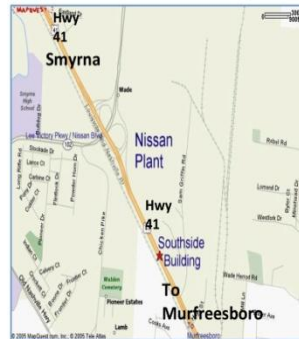
Wed. 7:00 pm

Thur. 7:00 pm

Fri. 7:00 pm

For GPS, Google Maps, MapQuest, etc. enter 1167 South Lowry Street, Smyrna, TN, 37167. We're right next to the Nissan Fitness Center.

If You Get Lost Call
(615) 785-0646



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"For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth..." -1 Thessalonians 1:8

Everyone Invited! Bring a Bible! Bring A Friend!

SERMON NOTES

Search the scriptures daily to see if these things are so.

Beware of Wolves!

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____

**STUDY
DAILY!
Acts
17:11**

DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Ben Green
- Scripture Reading...Ben Reagh
Reading: Matthew 7:15-23
- Song Leader.....Ben Green
- Opening Prayer.....Sam Miller
- Lord's Table:

Lead.....Lynn Buttrey

Serve.....Kenny Johnson

Serve.....Frank Anderson

- Closing Prayer.....Kenny Todd

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Tony Jenkins

- Lord's Table.....Ben Reagh

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Ben Reagh

- Invitation.....Kenny Todd

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

There is only one true saving plan of Salvation outlined in Scripture. No substitutes will do. Have you really been saved? Get out your Bible and study the plan below.

- Hear The Gospel!: Romans 10:17
- Believe: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; 17:30
- Confess Faith: Romans 10:9, 10
- Be Baptized: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

Obey Today!

Thank You For Serving!

*Home Bible Studies
Available Upon Request!*