

# Announcements!

Wednesday Evening Class We invite each of you to attend the mid-week Bible Study upstairs on Wednesday evening beginning at 6 p.m. We are involved in a Bible study series entitled "Authentic: The Discipline of Personal Bible Study". We encourage you to attend these vital and exciting studies!

Church Clean-Up We will regularly have monthly church cleanings on the last Saturday of each month, beginning at 10 a.m. The next cleaning day will be on February 28, so be sure and attend to help!

Valentine's Day Brunch We will host a Valentine's Day brunch on Saturday, February 14, beginning at 10 a.m. Everything will be free, so invite your sweetheart.

## #145: There Is Power in the Blood (Blue Hymnal)

### Verse One

Would you be free from the burden of sin? There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;  
Would you o'er all evil a victory win? There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. (Chorus)

### Verse Two

Would you be free from your passion and pride?  
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;  
Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide - There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. (Chorus)

### Verse Three

Would you be whiter, yes brighter than snow?  
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;  
Sin stains are lost in its life-giving flow - There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. (Chorus)

### Verse Four

Would you do service for Jesus your King? There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;  
Would you live daily His praises to sing? There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. (Chorus)

### Chorus

There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder working pow'r In the blood of the Lamb;  
There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder working pow'r In the precious blood of the Lamb.

## Funnies...

Little Jimmy was laying about on a hilltop in the middle of a meadow on a warm spring day. Puffy white clouds rolled by and he pondered their shape. Soon, he began to think about God. "God? Are you really there?" Jimmy said out loud.

To his astonishment a voice came from the clouds. "Yes, Jimmy. What can I do for you?"

Seizing the opportunity, Jimmy asked, "God? What is a million years like to you?"

Knowing that Jimmy could not understand the concept of infinity, God responded in a manner to which Jimmy could relate. "A million years to me, Jimmy, is like a minute."

"Oh," said Jimmy. "Well, then, what's a million dollars like to you?"

"A million dollars to me, Jimmy, is like a penny."

"Wow!" remarked Jimmy, getting an idea. "You're so generous...can I have one of your pennies?"

God replied, "Sure thing, Jimmy! Just a minute."

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A lady went into the grocery and asked for fifty gallons of milk. The clerk, amazed, asked her what she was going to do with that much milk.

"I have a skin problem and the Doctor prescribed a milk bath."

The clerk asked, "Pasteurized?"

She replied, "... No just up to my chin." *Page 4*

# Welcome to the Everlasting Covenant Church

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### Mission Statement

To promote membership in the body of Christ by bringing people to Jesus, enhancing their spiritual growth towards Christian maturity, and nurturing them for their ministry in the church and life mission in the world, thereby magnifying God's holy name.

# Order of Services

Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.



## Feasting And Fasting:

“But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face; That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.” – Matthew 6:17-18, KJV

## Morning Worship Services – 10:30 a.m.

- Devotion ..... Deacons & Congregation
- Morning Hymn: “There Is Power in the Blood” ..... Choir & Congregation
- Responsive Reading ..... Pastor & Congregation
- Selection ..... Choir & Congregation
- Announcements & Recognition of Visitors
- Tithes and Offerings ..... Deacons  
(Visitors are NOT required to contribute - members are encouraged to do so)
- Prayer of Thanksgiving ..... Pastor
- Selections ..... Choir & Congregation
- Sermon
- Invitation to Christ



## Benediction

### Sermon Notes

Scripture: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Words of Wisdom:



## Happiness

We convince ourselves that life will be better after we get married, have a baby, then another. Then we are frustrated that the kids aren't old enough and we'll be more content when they are. After that we're frustrated that we have teenagers to deal with. We will certainly be happy when they are out of that stage.

We tell ourselves that our life will be complete when our spouse gets his or her act together, when we get a nicer car, are able to go on a nice vacation, when we retire.

The truth is, there's no better time to be happy than right now. If not now, when? Your life will always be filled with challenges. It's best to admit this to yourself and decide to be happy anyway. One of my favorite quotes comes from Alfred D Souza. He said, “For a long time it had seemed to me that life was about to begin - real life. But there was always some obstacle in the way, something to be gotten through first, some unfinished business, time still to be served, a debt to be paid. Then life would begin. At last it dawned on me that these obstacles were my life”.

This perspective has helped me to see that there is no way to happiness. Happiness is the way. So, reassure every moment that you have. And treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time...and remember that time waits for no one...

So stop waiting until you finish school, until you go back to school, until you lose ten pounds, until you gain ten pounds, until you have kids, until your kids leave the house, until you start work, until you retire, until you get married, until you get divorced, until Friday night, until Sunday morning, until you get a new car or home, until your car or home is paid off, until spring, until summer, until fall, until winter, until you are off welfare, until the first or fifteenth, until your song comes on, until you've had a drink, until you've sobered up, until you die, until you are born again to decide that there is no better time than right now to be happy...

Happiness is a journey, not a destination.

## Responsive Reading: Psalm 138 (NIV)

- 1 I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart; before the “gods” I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness, for you have so exalted your solemn decree that it surpasses your fame.
- 3 When I called, you answered me; you greatly emboldened me.
- 4 May all the kings of the earth praise you, Lord, when they hear what you have decreed.
- 5 May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great.
- 6 Though the Lord is exalted, he looks kindly on the lowly; though lofty, he sees them from afar.
- 7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life. You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes; with your right hand you save me.
- 8 The Lord will vindicate me; your love, Lord, endures forever— do not abandon the works of your hands.