

# 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 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 April 23, so be sure to attend and help!

## Words of Wisdom: TIME...

A man came home from work late, tired and irritated, to find his 5-year old son waiting for him at the door.

SON: 'Daddy, May I ask you a question?'

DAD: 'Yeah sure, what it is?' replied the man.

SON: 'Daddy, how much do you make an hour?'

DAD: 'That's none of your business. Why do you ask such a thing?' the man said angrily.

SON: 'I just want to know... Please tell me, how much do you make an hour?'

DAD: 'If you must know, I make \$50 an hour.'

SON: 'Oh,' the little boy replied, with his head down. 'Daddy, may I please borrow \$25?'

The father was furious, 'If the only reason you asked that is so you can borrow some money to buy a silly toy or some other nonsense, then you march yourself straight to your room and go to bed. Think about why you are being so selfish. I don't work hard everyday for such childish frivolities.'

The little boy quietly went to his room and shut the door. The man sat down and started to get even angrier about the little boy's questions. How dare he ask such questions only to get some money? After about an hour or so, the man had calmed down, and started to think: Maybe there was something he really needed to buy with that \$25.00 and he really didn't ask for money very often. The man went to the door of the little boy's room and opened the door.

'Are you asleep, son?' He asked.

'No daddy, I'm awake,' replied the boy.

'I've been thinking, maybe I was too hard on you earlier' said the man. 'It's been a long day and I took out my aggravation on you. Here's the \$25 you asked for.'

The little boy sat straight up, smiling. 'Oh, thank you daddy!' he yelled. Then, reaching under his pillow he pulled out some crumpled up bills...

The man saw that the boy already had money, started to get angry again. The little boy slowly counted out his money, and then looked up at his father.

'Why do you want more money if you already have some?' the father grumbled.

'Because I didn't have enough, but now I do,' the little boy replied.

'Daddy, I have \$50 now. Can I buy an hour of your time? Please come home early tomorrow. I would like to have dinner with you.'

The father was crushed. He put his arms around his little son, and he begged for his forgiveness.

It's just a short reminder to all of you working so hard in life. We should not let time slip through our fingers without having spent some time with those who really matter to us, those close to our hearts. Do remember to share that \$50 worth of your time with someone you love.

If we die tomorrow, the company that we are working for could easily replace us in a matter of hours. But the family & friends we leave behind will feel the loss for the rest of their lives.

# Welcome to the EVERLASTING COVENANT CHURCH

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March 27, 2016

### VISION STATEMENT



*Enhancing Our Knowledge of Jesus Christ,  
Empowering All Believers for Ministry, and  
Encouraging Continuous Dedication to the Lord.*

# ORDER of SERVICES

Fellowship / Refreshments – 9:30 A.M.

Sunday School – 10:00 A.M.

**Resurrection Faith:**  
“Don’t be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. – Mark 16:6, NIV



## MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES – 10:45 A.M.

- Devotion ..... Deacons & Congregation
- Responsive Reading ..... Pastor & Congregation
- Youth Inspiration
- 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

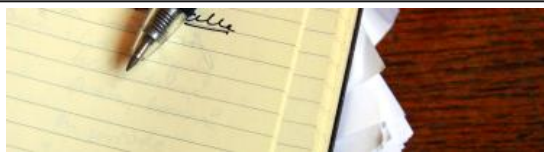


## BENEDICTION

## RESPONSIVE READING: ROMANS 10:-13 (NIV)

- 1 Brothers and sisters, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.
- 2 For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge.
- 3 Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness.
- 4 **Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.**
- 5 Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: “The person who does these things will live by them.”
- 6 **But the righteousness that is by faith says: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ down)**
- 7 “or ‘Who will descend into the deep?’ ” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).
- 8 **But what does it say? “The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim:**
- 9 *If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*
- 10 **For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.**
- 11 *As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.”*
- 12 **For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him,**
- 13 **for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”**

## SERMON NOTES



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