

Sunday School Report

Jan. 2, 2011

Record (March 29, 1998)	210
Members Enrolled	296
Total Present	99
Previous Week's Attendance	77

Service Opportunities

Deacon of the Week for Jan. 9
Bro. John DeBiase
 Deacon of the Week for Jan. 16
Bro. David Wittenberg

Upper Room Schedule:

DATE	TIME	NAME
1-5	PM	Kathy Bryant
1-9	AM	Harold Hambrick
1-9	PM	John Chambers
1-12	PM	Milton Culpepper

Sunday, Jan. 9

AM—Margie Grimsley
 PM—Michelle Williams

Sunday, Jan. 16

AM —Faye Jenrette
 PM—Kathy Little



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

Reservations required!

Sign up on the reservation sheet in the foyer or call the church office. Meals are served from 5:30-6:15 p.m. Prices are \$4 per adult and \$2 per child (6th grade and under).

Menu for Jan. 12:

Lemon Pepper Chicken, Rice & Gravy, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert, Ice Cream



Church Conference

January 12th at 6:30 pm



SOS Meeting

SOS will meet Monday, January 10th at 6:30

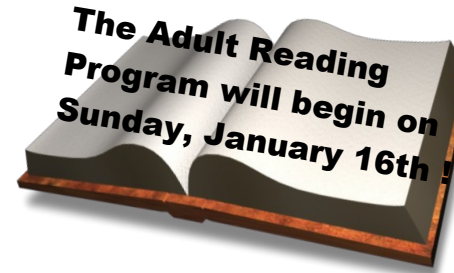
Parent's Night Out/Kids' Movie and Pizza Night

Saturday, January 29th from 6-8:30pm.



Make plans now to join us for a night of fun!

Also, we will need adult volunteers to help out— If you are interested, please see Michelle Williams



Wonderful Wednesday

Youth— Join us for a Wonderful Wednesday next week – January 12th at 6:30 pm!



DEACON'S MEETING

The Deacons will meet next Sunday, January 9th at 4:30 PM. Please make every effort to attend.



"Thanks so much, Aaron. A real vote of confidence."



Devotions for Jan. 10-15
"Spiritual Sap"

Monday:	1 Peter 4:12-16
Tuesday:	Daniel 3:8-18
Wednesday:	Romans 8:28-39
Thursday:	Matthew 17:14-21
Friday:	2 Peter 1:5-9
Saturday:	1 Peter 5:7

G.R.O.W.

GROW

Outreach "R" Team will meet Monday night, January 10th at 6:30. See Bro. Phil for more information on the GROW Ministry.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, Jan. 5

- 5:30 pm Family Night Supper
6:30 pm Bible Study & Prayer, Youth
On Mission, Kids of the
Kingdom
7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice

Sunday, Jan. 9

- 9:15 am Bible Study
10:30 am Morning Worship,
Children's Church & KIDMO
4:30 pm Deacon's Meeting
5:30 pm Discipleship Training, Mission
Friends (ages 4-5), GA & RA
(grades 1-6)
6:30 pm Evening Worship, Bible Drill
(Grades 3-6), & Bible Stories
(ages 4-7)

Monday, Jan. 10

- 6:30 pm GROW Outreach "R" Team
6:30 pm SOS Meeting

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Return Service Requested

Fred Craddock, in an address to ministers, caught the practical implications of consecration:

To give my life for Christ appears glorious. To pour myself out for others...to pay the ultimate price of martyrdom—I'll do it. I'm ready, Lord, to go out in a blaze of glory.

We think giving our all to the Lord is like taking a \$1,000 dollar bill and laying it on the table—"Here's my life, Lord. I'm giving it all."

But the reality for most of us is that He sends us to the bank and has us cash in the \$1,000 for quarters. We go through life putting out 25 cents here and 50 cents there. Listen to the neighbor kid's troubles instead of saying, "Get lost." Go to a committee meeting. Give a cup of water to a shaky old man in a nursing home.

Usually giving our life to Christ isn't glorious. It's done in all those little acts of love, 25 cents at a time. It would be easy to go out in a flash of glory; it's harder to live the Christian life little by little over the long haul.

I've told you before that my life verse, one that I try to live by every day is Mark 10:45:

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Believe me, this is a very difficult *daily* task. But my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ lived by it as an example for us (John 13:15). Should we not then do as He has done?

Think with me for a moment about the above illustration: What does it mean for *you* to give your all to the Lord? Galatians 2:20 says it this way:

"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."



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When we trust Christ as Lord and Savior we are "spiritually" crucified with Him and experience victory over sin and death. *BUT*, we still live in the flesh and experience all the temptation of the world. However, God always gives us a way of escape (1 Corinthians 10:13). We now live by faith, allowing the Holy Spirit to live in and through us as we submit ourselves fully to Him (Ephesians 5:18).

Thus, as we live by faith, allowing the Holy Spirit full control, we look with great anticipation for every opportunity to invest those pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, etc. as we lay our all on the line for Him.

IS THAT NOT EXACTLY WHAT HE MEANT IN MARK 10:45? I think so! Begin now looking for those penny, nickel, dime, and quarter opportunities rather than thinking you have to use the entire \$1,000 at once. *YOU WILL BE THE ONE TO RECEIVE THE BLESSINGS!*

Yours In Christ,

Bro. Phil

Mark 10:45