

Tidings From Timothy

I heard a story the other day that I would like to share with you. It goes like this:

One day a preacher was approached by a man who expressed a desire to become a member of the church. The minister was delighted and began to explain the time of services and the various programs in which the church was involved. The man then informed the preacher that he was a rather busy man.

"Don't call me for participation in any programs. I don't want to be called for any visitation or teaching of classes. I don't have time to be involved in any work. Then, too, I probably won't be here many Wednesday nights. In fact, I may not be here many Sunday nights and I will be absent some Sunday mornings due to my business interests. When I am here, my financial contribution will be small due to my commitments and expenses."

The preacher thought for a minute and then said: "I don't believe this is the church for you. There is a church just three blocks down the street that would be perfect for you."

The man left, went three blocks down the street and came to an abandoned, boarded up, building about ready to fall down from neglect. It represented a church that was dead, out of business, and completely ineffective. The man thought a minute and then realized that many, if not most of the members of the dead church, had probably been just like him.

This story suggests some sobering thoughts for all of us. Any church without active members who love the Lord, is a dead church. —Barry Keene—

I carried the above article to make the point that we all do whatever we truly DESIRE. People say they want to be Christians but they don't really want to. Our involvement in the church or anything depends on us giving it our all. You can be a faithful Christian today if you truly want to.

An **Article:** to go with the Sunday morning sermon is on page 3. Please come and be with us tonight for our Singing and Fellowship meal following.

Birthdays

Ashely Gerald	22 nd
Perry Neal Pettet	24 th
Leah Whitehead	24 th
Trent Whitehead	24 th
Darrell Emberton	25 th
Tara Gentry	26 th
Stacey Kirk	26 th
Tracey Kirk	26 th
David Page	26 th

Sick

We had announced for prayer Wednesday Chan Rowland and David Lyon. Both of these gentlemen have done very well considering the surgeries they have had. Others are about the same.



Library

The Goode family has donated **The Good News According to Luke** by Richard Rohr. It is available for check-out from the Library upstairs. To check out a book, just put your name on the check-out list in the room with the date you got it.

Donation:

What Must I do to be saved?

- **Hear the Gospel - Acts 15:7**
- **Believe the Gospel - Mark 16:15,16**
- **Repent of Sins - Acts 17:30**
- **Confess Christ - Rom. 10:9,10**
- **Be Baptized for the Forgiveness of Sins - Acts 2:38**

Then, as a Christian we must:

- **LIVE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH - REV. 2:10**

Study the Bible?

God speaks to us today through the Holy Word of God - The Bible (Hebrews 1:1-2). The Scriptures instruct us in the way God requires His people to live (2 Timothy 3:16,17). The Bible is powerful and able to save us (Romans 1:16; James 1:21-25), if we will hear, learn and obey it.

⇒ **Yes!** I want to learn more about the Holy Bible. Please enroll me in the eight lesson FREE Bible Correspondence Course (we even pay for the postage).

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***16* But blessed *are* your eyes for they see, and your ears for they hear; *17* for assuredly, I say to you that many prophets and righteous *men* desired to see what you see, and did not see *it*, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear *it*. – Matthew 13:16-17**

Elders:

Keith Dyer.....427-4105
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Schedule of Services:

Sunday:

Bible Study... 9:30am
Morning Worship... 10:05am
Evening Worship... 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study... 7pm

Listen to our Sunday Morning Radio Sermon on WTKY 1370 AM & 92.1, 102.7, 101.5 FM at 8:30am each week!