

The Follower

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Matthew 16:24

"Then Jesus said to his disciples, If any [man] will come after me let him deny himself and take his cross, and follow me"

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What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- We must hear the word of God. (Romans 10:17)
- We must believe the Word of God. (Hebrews 11:6; John 3:16; Mark 16:15-16)
- We must repent of our sins. (Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38)
- We must confess Christ before men. (Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10)
- We must be immersed for the remission of our sins. (Acts 2:38; 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21)
- We must live faithfully until death. (Revelation 2:10; Romans 12:1-2)

The Secret of Church Growth

The first century church was phenomenal in many ways. They were certainly dedicated to their cause, they grew quickly and they remained true to their course. In our search today to pattern ourselves after the first century church in action and belief, we should strive to learn from their example. Today there are many that claim to be "experts" on church growth. They have studied the many ways and methods different churches have accumulated large numbers of members and influenced their communities. Books abound that teach the "secrets" of church growth. Although the information these men have gathered may help some, the greatest "secret" to church growth is contained in the Bible. There is an old saying from the Restoration Movement, *"If we do now what they did then, we will be now what they were then."* This is the key to church growth the ways God wants-following the example of the first century church.

WHY DID THE CHURCH OF THE BIBLE GROW?

- ◆ Christianity was their top priority - not materialism, I Timothy 6:6-10.
- ◆ There was constant teaching and preaching, Acts 5:42-6:1.
- ◆ Every Christian was involved in the work, Acts 8:4, I Peter 2:9.
- ◆ They were committed to the cause, Acts 6:8-7:60, Revelation 2:10.
- ◆ Mission work was a priority for them, Acts 14:27.
- ◆ They practiced proper discipline, Acts 5, I Corinthians 5.
- ◆ They believed in the power of prayer, Acts 4:23ff, Philemon 22.
- ◆ The church had a family spirit, Acts 2:44, Acts 4:32-34.
- ◆ They gave liberally, Acts 2:32-34, Romans 12:8.
- ◆ They confronted false teaching, Acts 5:17-23.
- ◆ They really believed people were lost, Acts 4:12.
- ◆ They believed in the Second Coming, Philippians 4:15-16.
- ◆ They were willing to endure persecution, Acts 8:1-4.
- ◆ They believed it was possible for the gospel to be preached to all the world, Acts 1:8, Romans 15:20-24.

Let us continue to work together in God's grace to accomplish what the Lord wants us to do- grow numerically and spiritually for his glory!

-Mark Ray -copied from "The Encourager"

Cards Needed!

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All our sick/shut ins would appreciate a card of encouragement.

Care Group Corner

(Encouragement through Care)

Check your care group...Is anyone missing?

SET A GOAL TODAY!

Find someone different (that you normally don't) after Worship and say something good about them.

NEWS AND NOTES

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays: March 5-Barbara Holt, 5-Scott Long, 11-John Henry Long, 16-Dustin Bryant, 20-Martha Nell Reed, 21-Steve Foster, 23-Callie Bryant, 23- Olivia Peevyhouse, 24-Jackie Sue Foster, 28-Derek Box.
Anniversaries: March 26-Nick & Mandy Bryant.

HEALTH WATCH

ick this past week: **Eva Mae Bray, Jay Rogers, Zac Chrisman. Sharon Wright's** surgery went well. She will return this coming Thursday to remove the stint. **Illion Foster** will be wearing a heart monitor for thirty days. **John Henry Long** returned to the hospital this past week with chest pains. Test showed no heart problems. **Dana Kelly** is in the hospital at Nashville. **Vickie Foster** is not doing well. **Jerry Martin** received good report from his test.

SHUT-INS & NURSING HOME

Annie Lee Hall, Billy Bennett, Helen Pinson, Horace Ray Coleman, Glenda Rogers, Betty De Priest.

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to **Jeanie Brasher** and her family in the death of her grand-mother. Her funeral was this past Thursday in Alamo.

PRAYER LIST

Leon Purvis, Lois Arrington, Jeff Bell & family (Preacher at Union City), Judy Garrard, Norma Garner, Ruth Bennett, Josie Plunk, Sherry Parker, David King, John David Presson, Rena Arrington, Jerry & Betty De Priest, Reitha Martin, Zach Crider. **CANCER:** Charles D. Akins (Nephew of La Verne Belew), Ann Spain, Becky Bledsoe, Bobby Giles, Linda Bynum, Ruby Desmire, Natalie Jackson, Sherry (Argo) Stout, Tolbert Ray, Gail Pritchard, Mary Wilson,

Jay Rogers, Dwayne Bateman, James Green, CJ Wachsmuth, Joey Anderson, Pat Schneider, Samantha Wallace, Beth Ann Potter, Jerry Martin, Vickie Foster, Josie Plunk.

MILITARY: Troy Pollack

Let's continue to remember our men and women in the military.

Pantry Item: Spaghetti Sauce

<u>Last Week's Record</u>		<u>Goals</u>
Bible Study:	43	75
Worship AM:	56	101
Worship PM:	86	75
Wednesday:	60	75
Contribution	\$1.846.00	\$1.650.00

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- March 4th-Elders & Deacons meeting at 3:00pm.
- March 7th- Wednesday night singing.
- March 11th- Afternoon fellowship meal followed by our evening service.
- March 18th- Conduct services at the McKenzie Rest Home. 2:00pm.
- March 22nd-Tennessee Children's Home food truck will be here. The coin cans are on the coat rack in the foyer if you would like to donate your change. For perishable items the children's home is asking that each family donate \$10.00. You can give your donations to Nick.
- April 1st- Elders and Deacons Meeting at 3:00pm.
- April 4th- Wednesday night singing.
- April 8th- Afternoon fellowship meal followed by our evening services.
- April 29th- Conduct services at the Huntingdon Rest Home. 2:00pm.
- May 2nd- Wednesday night singing.
- May 6th- Elders & Deacons Meeting at 3:00pm.
- May 13th- Afternoon fellowship meal followed by our evening services.
- June 3rd-Elders & Deacons Meeting at 3:00pm
- June 6th- Wednesday night singing.
- June 8th -9th - Diana Singing.
- June 10th- Afternoon fellowship meal followed by our evening services.
- June 25th- SYS at Trezevant.
- July 27th- Trezevant Annual Singing.
- August- VBS
- August 26th-29th- Fall Gospel Meeting. Tony Taylor will be the speaker.

STUDY QUESTIONS TO LOOK UP!

1. What must an individual do in order for the Lord to add them to the church? "Then they that gladly received his word were _____ and the _____ there were _____ unto them about 3000 souls." (Acts 2:41)
2. "The churches of _____ salute you." (Rom. 16:16)
3. "Arise, and be _____ and wash _____ thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord." (Acts 22:16)
4. "For as many of you as have been _____ have put on Christ." (Gal. 3:27)
5. "He that _____ and is _____ shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." (Mark 16:16)

Sunday Morning	March 4, 2012 9:00 am	March 11, 2012 9:00 am
Power Point	Greg McClain	Greg McClain
Greet	David & Jeanie	David & Jeanie Brasher
Announcements	Steve Foster	Steve Foster
Song Leader	David Bryant	David Bryant
Scripture Reading	David Brasher	Mark Wright
Opening Prayer	Terry Hall	David Brasher
Preside - Table	Dale Aden	Dale Aden
Preside - Table	John Henry Long	John Henry Long
Table	Garrett Wright	Garrett Wright
Table	William Moore	William Moore
Table	Ben Holmes	Ben Holmes
Table	Keith Peevyhouse	Keith Peevyhouse
Closing Prayer	Norris De Priest	Jimmy McClain
Sunday Night	March 4, 2012 5:00 pm	March 11, 2012 12:15 pm
Song Leader	Keith Peevyhouse	Keith Peevyhouse
Opening Prayer	Sherrill Smith	David Bryant
Scripture Reading	Steve Foster	Charlie Wachsmuth
Table	Dale Aden or John Henry Long	Dale Aden or John Henry Long
Closing Prayer	Garrett Wright	Dale Aden
Wednesday Bible Study	March 7, 2012 7:00 pm	March 14, 2012 7:00 pm
Opening Prayer	Tim Rogers	Nick Bryant
Devotional	David Brasher	Tim Rogers
Closing Prayer	Joshua Brasher	Jay Rogers

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES**SUNDAY**

Bible Study 9:00a.m.

Worship 10:00a.m.

Evening Worship 5:00p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00p.m.

"Bible Classes For All Ages"

COME WORSHIP WITH US

We welcome all our visitors and invite you to attend at every opportunity.

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Why People Go To Church

- Some go to church to laugh and talk. Some go there to smirk and balk.
- Some go there to meet a friend. Some go there with time to spend.
 - Some go there to meet a bride. Some go there a fault to hide.
 - Some go there for speculation. Some go there for observation.
- Some go there to doze and nod. **THE WISE GO THERE TO WORSHIP GOD.**

• John 4:24

"God [is] a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship [him] in spirit and in truth."

• Revelation 22:9

"... worship God"