# **GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION**

Hear the Gospel (Rm 10:17) - Jesus, the Son of God was born of a virgin birth, lived a sinless life, died on a cross to bear our sins, was resurrected and is now Lord over all, and through His death and life man can be eternally saved through obedience of faith in Him.

Believe the Gospel (Jn 3:16; Heb. 11:6; Mk 16:16) Trust in God's promise to save you through Jesus.

**Repent** (Acts 2:38,3:19,17:30;Titus 2:11-12) Turn from a life of sin to living a life for God's glory.

Confess Jesus as Lord (Rm10:9-10; Acts 8:37) An outward expression of your faith & submission.

Be Baptized [immersion] (1 Peter 3:21) - In baptism you are buried with Christ, and raised up with Him (Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:12). Your sins are washed away (Acts 22:16). At this moment you're added to the church (Acts 2:41), which is the BODY OF CHRIST (Ephesians 1:22-23) - the SAVED (Acts 2:47).

Remain Faithful (Rev. 2:10; Hebrews 10:23) Continue to be faithful at any cost and the promise of heaven is sure.

### **THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**

Phil Legate

Kim Sleege

Art Wallis

Tanner Wallis

Noah Riggs

Abby Riggs

(04/18) Phil L.

Greeter Song Leader Praver Table

**Scripture Reading** Speaker **Closing Prayer** Lord's Supper Prep

Speaker

Wed. Song Leader

04-14-24 (AM) 04-21-24(AM) Art Wallis Jason Thompson Noah Riggs Andy Kennedy Steve Haugsted Troy Wallis Jacob Sorensen

Roger Reuter Matthew Brotherton Matthew Brotherton Kim Sleege Abby Riggs

04-14-24(PM) 04-21-24 (PM) Jason Thompson Steve Haugsted

(04/24) And K.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES**

Ladies Bible Class tomorrow April 15th at 9:30 am and 7:00 pm

Donna Thompson is collecting prescription bottles, clean and with all labels removed.

Ladies Sewing group will be meeting on Monday, April 22nd at 10:30 am. Lunch will be provided.

Leadership Workshop at Central Church of Christ "Leading through Cultural Change" April 27th from 9am-2pm.

There will be a youth rally in Marshalltown Saturday, April 27th from 10 am-7 pm.

# **Birthdays & Anniversaries** April

04/01 Steve Haugsted 04/06 Deb Bell 04/11 Ben McGowan 04/15 Parker Murray 04/17 Dorothy Sleege 04/17 Aaron Sleege 04/23 Doug Phillips 04/24 June McGowan 04/28 Jessica Thompaon 04/29 Abby Riggs 04/10 Dennis & Donna Thompson





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# **ASSEMBLY TIMES**

#### SUNDAY

9:30A.M. BIBLE CLASS (ALL AGES)

10:30 A.M. CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP 6:00p.m. Evening worship service (Available Live on our website below or ON YOU TUBE)

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00 P.M. BIBLE CLASS (AVAILABLE LIVE ON OUR WEBSITE BELOW OR ON YOU TUBE)

### WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS AND HOPE YOU WILL STAY AFTER SERVICES SO WE CAN MEET YOU!!!

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# **Homefront Crumbling**

#### Allen Webster

Douglas MacArthur II (the general's nephew) worked for the government. The Secretary of State once called his home and asked to speak with him. His wife replied, "He's not here. He's where he always is—weekends, nights, Saturdays, Sundays—at the office. You can reach him there."

She had not recognized the Secretary of State's voice or she would not have been so forthright. Nonetheless, the Secretary called MacArthur and sent him home immediately.

His comment was classic. He said, "Your home front is crumbling."

**Consider the Current Situation.** Many home fronts are crumbling across our land because spouses do not spend enough time together. Between working two or three jobs, keeping children engaged in school, sports, and other activities, and having differing interests, they don't even spend much time in the same room.

A couple can become more like roommates than husband and wife. God instructs couples to enjoy each other, and to do this, they must continue to build their relationship (Proverbs 5:15-19).

One said, "Marriage is given, not that two people should do one thing together, but that they should do all things together. Marriage is the total union of two personalities."

**Consider Two Precepts.** In the Old Testament, we find this unusual commandment: "When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: but he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken" (Deuteronomy 24:5).

To get a new marriage off on the right foot in ancient Israel, a husband was forbidden to go to war or be charged with any overnight business. Matthew Henry commented, "It is of great consequence that love be kept up between husband and wife; that they carefully avoid every thing which might make them strange one to another."

The young man's assignment was to "cheer up" (*samach*, "to brighten up") his new bride.

In the New Testament, Peter wrote, "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them..." (1 Peter 3:7). "Dwell with" is from a word (*sunoikeo*) found only here in the New Testament. It means "to dwell together in domestic association." He also indicates that husbands and wives are "joint-heirs of the grace of life" (*sugkleronomos*). A couple is to avoid unnecessary separation.

**Consider an Example**. Aquila and Priscilla traveled together, worked together, and were hospitable together (Acts 18:2). They took a missionary trip together (Acts 18:18). They worshipped together and had Bible studies with others together (Acts 18:26). They assisted Paul together, risked their lives together (Romans 16:3–4). They encouraged other Christians together and had the church in their house together (1 Corinthians 16:19). They remained faithful through a life-time together (2 Timothy 4:19).

When we consider that Acts 18 occurred about A.D. 54 and 2 Timothy, as Paul's last book, was written in about A.D. 66, they were "together" for a lifetime.

# **PRAYER LIST**

- Gerry & Kathy Moser Gerry's health
- Marnetta Tillman friend of the Haugsted's health issues.
- Sharla Ashcraft sister of Kayla Wallis MS
- Patty Forkenbrock sister of Angie Reuter will be continuing with chemotherapy for a little while longer before undergoing stem cell transplant.
- Dakodah Long grandson of Coleen Long deployment to Middle East.
- Walker Kramme grandson of Gerry and Kathy Moser - deployed to Kosovo for a year.
- Doug Phillips prayers for general health
- Janene Oliphant prayers for health

# Sharpen Your Sword in 2024

Sunday, April 14th: 2 Kings 1-3 Monday, April 15th: 2 Kings 4-6 Tuesday, April 16th: 2 Kings 7-9 Wednesday, April 17th: 2 Kings 10-12 Thursday, April 18th: 2 Kings 13-15 Friday, April 19th: 2 Kings 16-18 Saturday, April 20th: 1 Kings 19-21