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South Cullman CHURCH of CHRIST

Sunday 9:00 am
10:00 am
5:00 pm
Wednesday 7:00 pm

May 22, 2016

Restoring The New Testament Church

Introduction

- I. I believe that basic fundamental themes, though often thought to be redundant, are helpful for everyone, but they are especially helpful for our young people... 2 Pet 3:1-2
- II. This morning, I want to return to one of these basic them and lay some *historical background for what this church is (should be) trying to do and be – why we are who we are.*
- III. I want to talk about what, in history, has come to be called “the restoration movement.”

Discussion

- I. **The Biblical basis for the restoration principle—King _____ (2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-4)**
 - A. This “restoration movement” met the requirements of the _____ of _____... Dt 4:2; 5:32-33
 - B. Harmonized with _____ message... Jer 1:1-2; 6:16
- II. **The need to _____ the New Testament church...**
 - A. The concept of restoration implies at least three things...
 1. That there is an original perfect _____ .
 2. That men have _____ God’s pattern.
 3. That there are people with one _____ and _____ , willing to go back to that pattern regardless of the cost.
 - B. The apostles warned that there would be a _____ ... 2 Th 2:3-7; 1 Tim 4:1-3
 - C. Men like Martin Luther and John Calvin eventually protested some of the worst of those unscriptural doctrines and practices and this led to the “ _____ Movement.”
- III. **The “Restoration Movement.”**
 - A. Eventually different people decided all man-made _____ should be _____ ... Mt. 15:7-9
 - B. So they decided, then, to base their faith and practice on the _____ ... 2 Tm 3:16-17; 2 Pet 1:2-3
- IV. **Back to the Bible as God’s pattern of faith and practice today...**
 - A. That is why we have _____ and _____ ... Ac 14:23; Phil 1:1
 - B. That is why we teach _____ for the remission of sins... Ac 2:38
 - C. That is why we don’t use _____ music... Eph 5:19; Col 3:16
 - D. That is why we observe the _____ every first day of the week... Ac 20:7
 - E. That is why we call ourselves “ _____ ” ... Ac 11:26
 - F. That is why we have no _____ but the _____ .
- V. **Restore first-century Christianity in this generation and in this place...**
 - A. As _____ we are just trying to be Christians...
 - B. As a _____ we are just trying to be a church of Christ like churches in the N.T.

Prayers for the South Cullman Family:

Ancil Wallace is scheduled for a surgery to remove his tumor on the 24th. Thankful for more good news for Ancil.

Carlene Parris continues to need your prayers.

Rick Cason is scheduled for another procedure. Continue to keep Rick in your prayers.

Barry Slotton is continuing to recover from his knee replacement surgery.

Sympathy:

Our sympathy is extended Missy Swann's family. Her father Mike Boland passed away last week. Keep Missy and the family in your prayers.

Expectant Parents:

Seth and Laura Hayes (May)

Micah and Hannah Rice (Sept)

Tyler and Alisha Loveless (Oct)

Brad and Amy Johnson (Nov)

Homebound and Nursing Homes:

Margie Marchman, Gary Cobb, Lester Daugherty, Lindsey Self

Others To Pray For:

Elmer Simmons, Jason Looney's grandfather, is struggling with prostate cancer.

Artena Hunt, Heather Blanks' grandmother, was taken to UAB Wednesday because of low blood counts and an infection.

Hunter Franks, Norma Dukeminier's grandson, will be having a procedure to fix his heart condition. This will hopefully avoid him needing open heart surgery.

Avery Dooley, Nolan Dooley and Kristi Tackett's father, will be having surgery tomorrow to fix a detached tendon in his elbow.

Preparing the Lord's Supper:

May 22 - Carrie Campbell, Katie Woods

May 29 & June 5 - Esther Hayes, Shelia Loveless

Food Contacts for May:

Judy Waldrep, Alicia Clark, Lisa Owens

Recordings:

We are now posting all the sermons to the website immediately following each service. If you are able/interested you can also download the sermons to your computer.

Check out our website @ southcullmanchurch.com

Group Emails:

Brad Johnson has set up a Google groups email list. This will be used to help get information to the South Cullman family. If you have not received an email yet, provide your email address to Brad or Nick Woods and they will make sure it is added to the list.

VBS Meeing:

Today at 3pm, we will be having a teacher meeting and work session for our upcoming VBS. Everyone that is planning to teach please make plans to attend.

Mark Your Calendars:

- **Vacation Bible School**
June 6-9 at 7pm
- **Weekend Bible Study**
June 24-25
- **Fall Gospel Meeting**
October 16-19

Congratulation:

Special congratulations to our members that graduated this spring. Gennifer Dyer, Micah Rice, and Ethan Kelley

Duty Assignments – Sunday, May 22, 2016

	<u>Sunday AM</u>	<u>Sunday PM</u>	<u>Wed. (25)</u>
<u>Call To Worship</u>	Jim Deason	Jim Deason	
<u>Read Scripture</u>	Duane Derrick 2 Kgs 22:8-13	Kerry Parris 2 Chr 34:31-33	
<u>Lead Singing</u>	Jeffrey David	Glenn Blankenship	Nick Woods
<u>Opening Prayer</u>	Brandon Swann	Rick Cason	
<u>L. S. Talk</u>	Ryan Walker		
<u>L. S. Prayer</u>	Wes Moore		
<u>Assisting</u>	Nolan Dooley Argin Dooley Devon Campbell		
<u>Sermon</u>	Jim Deason	Nick Woods	Randy Parris
<u>Announcements</u>	Joey Legg	Joey Legg	Joey Legg
<u>Closing Prayer</u>	Jonathan Romine	Ethan Kelley	Drake H.