

BULLETIN

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sunday Morning 9:00
Bible Study and
Sunday School

Sunday Morning 10:00
Worship Assembly

Sunday Evening 18:30
Worship Assembly

Wednesday Morning 10:00
Ladies Class

Wednesday Evening 19:00
Bible Study

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DO YOU TAKE THE LORD'S SUPPER EVERY WEEK?

About 17 years ago, an engineering student asked me, "Aren't you a member of the church of Christ?" I said, "Yes, that is how we are usually known." He then asked, in what I perceived to be a troubled voice, "Do you take the Lord's Supper *every* week?"

Ned's girlfriend, Francine, had been studying with members of the church, and the two of them had attended worship with them a few times. I had tried to study with Ned on several occasions, but he had not really been interested, even though several other students working with us during his time had obeyed the gospel. Considering how many things about the teaching and worship of the church are different from the denomination Ned had grown up in, I found it curious that he would be so concerned about this one particular matter. You see, when a person is trying to judge the church based on what they see in the assemblies, they notice and are bothered by different things. *This* was the thing that struck Ned as most peculiar.

Ned's next question was typical, "Why?" Now, our usual reaction to this question (on any subject for that matter) is to come right back with a couple of "proof texts" and try to persuade them that we are right, and they are wrong. This is where we miss an excellent opportunity to teach people the truth. Instead of cramming a couple of "proof texts" down his throat, thereby assuming the aggressive, defense posture we so often assume, I responded with a few questions of my own.

"Ned, may I ask you a couple of questions before I answer?" He agreed. I asked, "Did you grow up in some kind of church?" He said, "Yes, I did." I asked him, "Did they observe the Lord's Supper in that Church?" He responded in the affirmative. I then asked him, "How often did they take the Lord's Supper?" He thought a moment and said, "I don't really know... quarterly, I think, maybe... and at Christmas and Easter, I think." Then I sort of turned the tables on him and asked him the same hard question he had asked me, "Why?" Being an honest, sincere, and intelligent young man, Ned thought for a long moment and said, "I don't really know. That's just how they do it, and I guess I never really thought about it."

The door was now open for me to answer him effectively. I said, "Well, I know why we do it every week. According to the Bible, that seems to be the way the church did it in the beginning. Secular history also records this as the practice of the first Christians. We are simply trying to follow the pattern of the church as built by Jesus and instructed by his apostles. Does that make sense to you?" I could almost see the light turning on in Ned's mind. He smiled and said, "Yes, that does make sense."

I must tell you how Ned's story turned out. Not long after our conversation, I taught and baptized Ned into Christ. Soon after, Francine obeyed the gospel as well. They married and now have two lovely daughters. They worship the Lord in spirit and in truth in Orlando, Florida, USA. They have become two of our dearest friends.

Unfortunately, people generally grow up without seriously questioning their family's religion or their own values. This is a big mistake. Even if one is blessed to grow up in the true faith in Christ Jesus, these basic lessons must be taught anew.

Yours in weekly celebration of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ,

Bill Elliott

Calendar for this week

TODAY

09:00 – 09:15: PUPPETS in the Fellowship hall every Sunday

MONDAY @ 19:00: “Equipping Christians For Service” Class.

TUESDAY @ 19:00 – There will be no singing practice until further notice.

WEDNESDAY

10:00 - Ladies Bible Class by Pam Share. Tea by Dot and Gaby.

19:00 – Mid-Week Bible Study Classes:

6-9 Year Olds - Gill du Preez

10 -12 Year Olds - Pam Share

Teenage "Girl Talk" Class - Gill B.

Young Men Training – “Timothy” Class – Chris du Preez.

Month end singing practice and short devo.

THURSDAY @ 07:00 Men’s Weekly Prayer Meeting

TODAY’S SERMON TITLES

AM: "Do You Take The Lord's Supper Every Week?"

Scripture: Acts 12:1-4

PM: "Is Anything False?"

Scripture: Proverbs 6:16-19

Gospel Outreach Weekend

The Gospel Weekend is scheduled to take place from Thursday 3rd April until Sunday 6th April 2008. The theme is “**How Can One Recognize A REAL Christian?**”. Please mark your calendars and invite family and friends to attend. An exciting programme is planned for the weekend. .

Secret Pals

Ladies will be drawing names for Secret Pals on Saturday 29 March at 2.30pm at Pam Share’s home at 37 Braemar Road, Beacon Bay. Phone 0437484167 / 0837466158. Speak to Pam should you require assistance with transport.

Ladies who would like to participate, all are welcome and if you do attend please bring a small plate of eats.

“Go for 150”

A “Go for 150” weekend is planned for **Sunday Morning Service on 13th April 2008**. Members are encouraged to invite family and friends and assist in reaching the target.

Event Planning/Scheduling

Members are requested to discuss forthcoming events scheduled with members of the Leadership. Once approved, the event can be entered onto the Event Calendar in the foyer or published in the Bulletin.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for:

Rodney Share, Emily Nyemba, Basil Baisley, Milly Crossley and Gwen Taylor (for improved health).

Special prayer requests for:

- Chantelle and Michael for smooth processing of paperwork (USA).
- Travelling mercies for members as they travel over the Easter Weekend.

Happy Birthday... may you be blessed

19th Ian Roberts

20th Christos Burke

Benevolence

Thank you to all who assist regularly with this cause.

Items needed for next week are: **Soup Packets and Tea Bags (26)**.

Bulletin Contributions

All news items and inserts for the bulletin may be forwarded to Pamela Granger on Cell: 082 898 8083 or e-mail: hpls.granger@absamail.co.za by 16:00 on a Friday for inclusion.

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

TODAY 23/03/2008		SERVING DUTY	NEXT WEEK 30/03/2008	
AM – Q. Le Roux	AM – Q. Le Roux	SONG LEADER	AM – R. Share	PM – R. Share
AM – N. Nyemba	PM – O. Engelbrecht	OPENING PRAYER	AM – P. Mc Court	PM – I. Engelbrecht
AM – B. Le Roux	PM – Jason Le R	LORD’S TABLE	AM – R. Voogt	PM – M. Baisley
AM – J. Thomas	PM – R. Share	SCRIPTURE READING	AM – J. Roberts	PM – N. Nyemba
AM – Bill Elliott	PM – Bill Elliott	PREACHING	AM – Bill Elliott	PM – Bill Elliott
AM – A. Le Roux	PM – Bill Elliott	CLOSING PRAYER	AM – N. Nyemba	PM – J. Roberts
Erika Roberts		FLOWERS	Pam Share	