

Message of the Cross Chapel Fellowship

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Why Message of the Cross? The Apostle wrote, "For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God" (1 Corinthians 1:18 NRSV). Everyone wants newness of life in Christ, but most try to do so in their own power through religiosity or spiritualistic formulas. However, the work of the cross in the believer's life is the only "God sanctioned" way. The old nature must die first before the life of Christ can be formed within us. It is a process of learning to embrace moments of death to our old self, on a daily basis that allows the power of the cross to make way for Christ to infill us more and more. It is the message of the cross that sincere Christians must embrace, in order to walk in the resurrecting power of Christ.

Becoming Part of the MCCF Family

This work is on the cutting edge of discipleship and ministry to help awaken a sleeping church, recovery God's wounded, and equip believers for ministry as well as for life. The days are dark and getting darker, where persecution not only is increasing from the world, but also from other Christians who oppose sound doctrine and the truth concerning the end-of-this-age.

If you believe you are called to work in this type of end-of-the-age ministry, then let us know. We can meet with you and answer any questions and register you for the next MCCF Team Vision Class that is held for those interested to learn more about this work.



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Together we are –

growing in Christ and learning

to live in His presence and power!

Fellowship Bulletin Sunday May 13, 2018

Welcome to Fellowship Meeting

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PLEASE

- 09:00 - 9:30 **Early Bird Prayer and Solemn Assembly**
- 10:00 **Call to Fellowship and Warm-up**
- Sharing: **Sharing**
Testimonies, Insights, Revelations, Prayer
Worship in Song—(1 Corinthians 14:26)
Handout – You Are My All In All –
Page 13 #39 – Open the Eyes of My Heart
Page 22 #65 – I Have Decided to Follow Jesus
Children released for children church.
- 10:30 **Announcements: (On-line)**
Continue to Intercede
Pray for Monthly Increase in Financial Support
Parade—Jump Start
Continue to pray for likeminded coworkers
Children's Church
- 10:40 **Message:**

Blessed are those who Believe
Believing and acting without feeling first

By: Pastor Chuck
his text is: **Hebrews 11:1-6**

Prayer and Intercession

- Sunday prayer in the morning—Sanctuary open at 9:AM
- Pray for Ministry Funds and MCCF ministry at Loaves and Fishes

MCCF's Calendar

- ◆ Monday—Thursday office hours 9 AM to 4:30 PM
- ◆ Monday: For They Know His Voice—Bible Study 7 PM to 8 PM
- ◆ Wednesday Fellowship: 6:30 to 7:30 (Temporary Pause)
- ◆ Thursday Recovery Meeting: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM (Temporary Pause)
- ◆ Saturday Single Ladies Bible Study 2PM (Temporary Pause)
- ◆ Sunday: Fellowship Meeting 10 AM

New Programs to Become Involved With.

- ◆ Children's Church Workers—Help Needed
- ◆ Prayer Warriors of the Cross Training—Starting Soon—more info to come

Offerings and Donations

This is a faith ministry where financial support is from the Lord through those who are blessed by this work. You are invited to prayerfully give your offerings and donations to support this work.

Expressing the Gifts - In Decency and Order

We believe in allowing the gifts of the Holy Spirit to have expression in ministry and fellowship meetings at the appropriate time, depending on the purpose of the meeting. Out of order or carnal expressions are to be avoided. We strive to help equip each disciple of Christ in attendance to cultivate the true gift of prophesy as described in 1 Corinthians 14:22-25. Participating in this fellowship will eventually lead into the work of ministry (when ready). Leadership strives to ensure all obtain the grace of God and to equip each for work of ministry.

(Contact one of the pastors for any needed clarification).

Fire Arms:

Open carry fire arms in all fellowship meetings are prohibited. Carry conceal licensed persons cannot carry in meetings until vetting and training by our security team. Concealed carry classes and training can be arranged.

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Scripture and Commentary

"The Way to Permanent Faith"

Indeed the hour is coming...that you will be scattered... —John 16:32

Jesus was not rebuking the disciples in this passage. Their faith was real, but it was disordered and unfocused, and was not at work in the important realities of life. The disciples were scattered to their own concerns and they had interests apart from Jesus Christ. After we have the perfect relationship with God, through the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit, our faith must be exercised in the realities of everyday life. We will be scattered, not into service but into the emptiness of our lives where we will see ruin and barrenness, to know what internal death to God's blessings means. Are we prepared for this? It is certainly not of our own choosing, but God engineers our circumstances to take us there. Until we have been through that experience, our faith is sustained only by feelings and by blessings. But once we get there, no matter where God may place us or what inner emptiness we experience, we can praise God that all is well. That is what is meant by faith being exercised in the realities of life.

"...you...will leave Me alone." Have we been scattered and have we left Jesus alone by not seeing His providential care for us? Do we not see God at work in our circumstances? Dark times are allowed and come to us through the sovereignty of God. Are we prepared to let God do what He wants with us? Are we prepared to be separated from the outward, evident blessings of God? Until Jesus Christ is truly our Lord, we each have goals of our own which we serve. Our faith is real, but it is not yet permanent. And God is never in a hurry. If we are willing to wait, we will see God pointing out that we have been interested only in His blessings, instead of in God Himself. The sense of God's blessings is fundamental.

"...be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Unyielding spiritual fortitude is what we need.

Oswald Chambers

My Utmost for His Highest Devotional April 4