TIME OF SERVICES

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Worship Service 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

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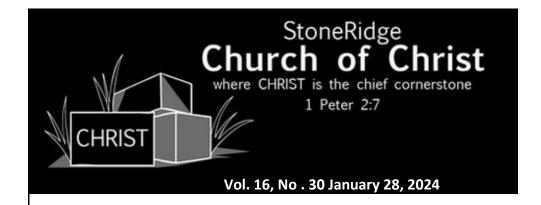
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MAKES CHRISTIANS AND CHRISTIANS
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COMPOSED OF CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE
NOT JOINED A DENOMINATION.



Better Bible Classes

A pressing need in almost every church is the necessity of better Bible classes. The truth of the matter is that too many church members don't know the Bible very well. There are probably a number of reasons for that.

- **1.**There are so many activities in a member's life that there isn't much time for Bible study. Sporting events, school activities, television and the Internet are examples of things which remove many from periods of Bible study.
- **2.** Some just don't have any desire to know the word of God. They want to go to heaven but they really don't want to have to put any effort into getting ready. Other things are more important in their lives.
- **3.** Materialism in society and also in the church is a great factor. We get prooccupied with "things" that we have no time or concern for spiritual values.
- **4.** Sometimes teachers are not prepared to teach. Being busy themselves, they fail to take proper time to study a lesson and to prepare an interesting approach to the class.

There are so many areas where all Christians need to be taught over and over. The nature of the church, its work, worship and organization, the need for Bible authority for all we do, morality, obedience to the word, the need for repentance

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can never be studied too much.

Students should study harder and longer on their lessons, not to have the right answers, but to learn to serve God. It is very discouraging for a teacher to prepare material, work hard on the presentation and then enter a classroom of disinterested students who couldn't care less.

The church cannot afford another generation that is unfamiliar with the Bible. It was said of the children of Israel long ago, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" (Hosea 4:6). Let's not let the same thing be said of us! -db



It is not enough to love flowers, you must also hate weeds. The same can be said for truth and error.

News/Notes/Quotes.

THE SICK. Melissa Pierce is dealing with kidney stones. We hope she can get a break from health issues soon! Kathryn Dunman has also been having a time of it with a bad cold and all the symptoms... Karleen Sheets was admitted to the hospital with chest pains. After tests was given a clean bill of health. They did say she was old. They didn't have a pill for that... Rita Cassidy has not been feeling well and needs our prayers...We've been asked to pray for **Amy Cooper's** cousin, **Shelly Vanderslice** who has cancer and is undergoing chemo... **Aiden Herndon** is having a difficult time cutting teeth.. Remember him... Autumn Lamkin is still dealing with migraines...Virginia Bishop is still recovering from knee surgery... **Debbie Spencer** has an appointment for back pain on Feb. 6... ... **Frances Jones** is still recovering from injuring her back...Mary Hamilton, a member at New Haven, is very sick and needs our prayers... Karen Livesay has an upper GI scheduled for January 29... Beverly Allen is being treated for Lukemia...Pat Spencer continues tchemo treatments... Remember to pray for **Chloe Humblet** who is away for some extended treatment Shut-ins: Rhea Vines (at Roger's house)...Gail Brooks 423 Lawrence Hall, Walnut Ridge... Rita Kieffer, St. Bernard Village, ... Shirley Coots, Lawrence County Nursing (hospice care)... Joyce Riley at St. Elizabeth's Place... **Bob** and **Jean Evans** at home...**Betty Shrable** at home. Pray for these!

<u>BEREAVED.</u> We sympathize with **Almon Williams** and his family on the death of his sister-in-law, **Thelma (Katherine) Williams**. She passed away last week at the age of 93. Her funeral was conducted on Friday.

<u>PODCAST!</u> Hear a lesson from God's word each morning from John Mundy on Facebook & YouTube, 8 am., or you can catch it throughout the day.

THINK ABOUT THIS: If you think it is hard to sit through a sermon, try preaching one. If you think the pew is too hard, try the pulpit. If you think the singing should be better, try leading the songs. If you think the teaching is not plain enough, try explaining the lesson yourself. If you think the church is not friendly, try speaking to someone before they speak to you. You will be amazed at what you discover! (submitted by Almon Williams)

When it comes to giving, some people stop at nothing.

