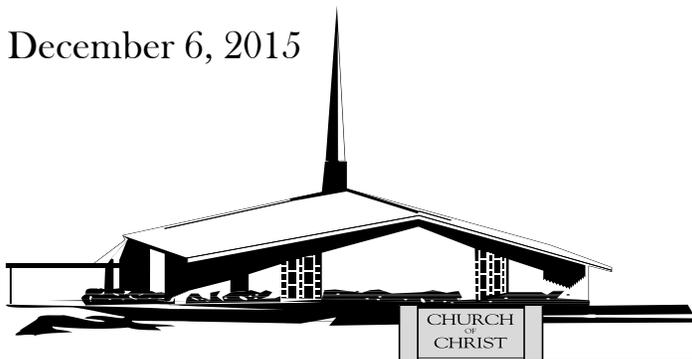


December 6, 2015



DeGaulle Drive

CHURCH OF CHRIST

4700 GENERAL DEGAULLE DRIVE

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70131

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Morning Bible Class	9:00 AM
Morning Worship	10:00 AM
Pew Packers	5:30 PM
Evening Worship	6:00 PM

MID-WEEK

Tuesday Ladies Class	10:00 AM
(September—May)	
Wednesday Bible Class	7:00 PM

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Howard Goodale	504-272-0502

DEACONS

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In Search of the Lord's Way
The Old Landmarks
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“MY MEDITATION ALL THE DAY,” EVERY DAY

“O how I love Thy law! It is my meditation all the day”
(Psalm 119:97 – emphasis mine, DSC).

The Bible is the only book that

God ever wrote. No other item of literature is as relevant, interesting, compelling, or powerful. God’s Book teaches us what is right, what is not right, how to get right, and how to stay right, and it gives God’s children all that they need to be mature and fully equipped for every area of life (2 Timothy 3:17; 2 Peter 1:3). Like David, we have every reason to love God’s Law and to linger upon it “all the day.”

“Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day and night” (Psalm 1:1-2 – emphasis mine, DSC).

Love God’s Word and meditate upon it *all day*. Delight in God’s Law and meditate upon it *every day*. According to the psalmist, the soul who delights in God’s Law is indeed blessed. No heaven-bound soul ever looked back over his life and said, “I wish I had spent more time on the golf course and less time in the Bible.”

As God’s people, let’s be in God’s Word *every day*. As the new year approaches, the elders of the DeGaulle Drive Church of Christ are encouraging all members of the congregation to commit themselves to a daily Bible reading schedule. Perhaps you already have a regular daily Bible reading schedule that you use. If so, that’s great! If not, we want to help each other grow closer to God by growing in the knowledge of His Word (1 Peter 2:2).

In 2016, let’s supply each other with a structured approach to read the Bible daily. On the table in the foyer, there are two stacks of daily Bible reading schedules. These schedules are all double-sided, & on every schedule one side provides a simple plan to read through the Bible in one year. The other side of each schedule includes either a plan to read through the Old Testament once & the New Testament twice, or a plan to read through the Bible once & through Proverbs 12 times: please look at each of these plans & determine which one is best suited to your abilities and goals for the reading of God’s inspired Word in the 2016. You might even choose a schedule that you have found elsewhere. Whichever plan you choose, be sure to maintain your daily reading. Mark each passage on your reading schedule as you complete the daily reading. Keep your reading schedule somewhere that you can’t miss it; don’t hide it from yourself, because what is out of sight is out of

mind. Let us commit ourselves to making time with God's Word a top priority, making it something that we remember every day, & not something we forget. Like David, let us truly make it our meditation "all the day" (Psalm 119:97).

In 2016, let's supply each other with regular reminders to read the Bible daily. The apostles regularly reminded Christians to be engaged in the study of God's Word, whether they were elders (Acts 20:32), preachers (1 Timothy 3:14-15), or Christians in general (1 Peter 2:2). We want to remind each other, too. Each month, the morning sermons on the first and third Sundays will come from corresponding passages on the daily Bible reading schedule. Also, in order to help us to heed what we read, we will have booklets available containing questions from each chapter of the Bible.

In 2016, we want to supply each other with mutual encouragement to the Bible daily. Moses taught the Israelites to be teaching their children about God's Word "*when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up*" (Deuteronomy 6:7). In other words, God's people were to be talking about God's Word whether they were at home or on the road, whether they were going to bed or rising in the morning (Deuteronomy 6:7); they were to be constantly discussing God's Word. Do we make a habit of this? How often is God's Word the topic of your conversation with family and with brethren? The more we discuss God's Word, the more we will want to study it, and the more we study God's Word, the more we will want to discuss it. Consider the benefits when a Christian responds to a situation occurring in the life of another brother by saying, "That sounds like something that happened to Moses that I read in the Bible last week," or, "Just yesterday I read something in Proverbs that might help you." Perhaps the brother with the problem has not been spending time in God's Word: this advice could be the impetus that causes him to become devoted in a daily study of scripture. Even if the brother with the problem is already devoted and consistent in his daily study of scripture, he could have a different reading plan and the discussion with his fellow Christian has pointed him toward a Biblical solution that he not have found for several weeks on his own.

Again, the more we discuss God's Word, the more we will want to study it, and the more we study God's Word, the more we will want to discuss it. There are various ways we can broach the subject of scripture with each other: "How is your daily Bible reading going," or "Did you read last week about what Isaiah told Hezekiah when Hezekiah was sick," or "I read about Jesus' crucifixion yesterday, and it breaks my heart every time that I read it."

I promise that I will regularly mention daily Bible reading with my brethren at DeGaulle Drive this year in hopes of encouraging us all to be consistent in daily Bible reading. Will you help, also?

Once upon a time, members of the Lord's church were known as Bible toters and scripture quoters. The only way for that to happen is for us to spend time in God's Word daily. Let us echo David's words: "*O how I love Thy law! It is my meditation all the day*" (Psalm 119:97).

A MERRY HEART DOETH GOOD

SMILE, SOLDIER!

My husband wore his Army uniform with pride. One day, coming home from the base and dressed in olive drab fatigues, he stopped off at the grocery store to pick up a few things. While in line at the check out counter, he noticed a little boy standing with his Mother. The boy took one look at my husband in his uniform, and his eyes grew wide. My husband in turn gave the young man a crisp salute. The boy was so excited. He pointed at my husband and announced, "Look Mom! A Giant Boy Scout!"

MEMBERS & VISITORS

We thank you for being here today. Your presence is an encouragement to us all. Please take a moment to complete an attendance card from the pew in front of you.

ATTENDANCE CARD

Name: R. U. Heer Date: 2-Day

Address: 1714 Straitway Road
New Orleans, LA 70131

Thank you for helping us as we seek to edify each other in the way of the Lord!

NEWS & NOTES

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

1. **SONG LEADING CLASS:** Will meet today at 4:30PM.
2. **WORK NIGHT FOR THE MASTER:** Will be December 15th. Celebration of December birthday will follow as will dessert night from the Cain family.

PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: Due to space constraints in our pantry we ask that ONLY the following items be brought: canned chicken, tuna, & fruit, spaghetti sauce, mac & cheese, 1-meal dinners, shampoo, toothbrushes, women's deodorant, soap, & razors.

NEWS N' NOTES: Please see the board for a note of gratitude from Paul & TeNeal Macaluso & a note from Gayle Hopkins; sister of Tommie Brock.

REJOICE! Linda Caillouet responded in repentance to the invitation of Jesus last Sunday morning. She asks for the prayers of the church as she returns to the Lord. We rejoice over soft hearts & the mercy of God!

LAST WEEK'S RECORD

Attendance

Bible Study	54
Sunday AM	74
Sunday PM	50
Wednesday	48

NEEDING CARE & PRAYERS

Our Members & Visitors

Debbie Starr: Has begun radiation.
Dan Joseph: Dan is at home & is receiving hospice care.
Family of Tommie Brock **Bill & Barbara Burchett**
John & Mary Cullum **Loretha "Bubba" Starr**
Tony & Louise Sylve **LaTonya Brooks-Washington**

Our Shut-In

Elwanda Piskorik

Our Family & Friends

Betty England: Grandmother of Stacey England; is in ICU following a brain aneurysm.
Roger Ferrell: Will need further surgery in the near future for a recurrent hernia.
Sean Brown: Son of Carol Byes; installed as a deacon with the Forest Hill church of Christ in Cleveland. Asking for prayers that he may fulfill the duties of the position.
Mike Roberts: Husband of Ann Roberts; had surgery & tests confirmed that he does have cancer in his neck.
Joby Smith, Jr.: Grandson of Wes & Cheryl Arabie; needs prayers & encouragement. Please send your kind thoughts to him at the following address:
Tennessee Children's Home
Attn: Joby Smith
P.O. Box 10
Spring Hill, TN 37174

Mia Paige: Brother of Justice Pitts; doing well & has been reading the Bible
Kaiyah Alexander **Family of Delmar Cooper**
Tony Greathouse **Family of Daryl McKinney**
Quinn Merryman **Kimi Miller & family**
Allen Morris **Martha Ruddy**

Deployed Servicemen

Nathan Gillespie: Nathan, Dawn, Tempe, & Dalton are serving in Japan.

Please submit all prayer requests in writing to Scott or Melissa Cain. Please supply regular updates on each individual in order to keep our prayer list up-to-date. For the sake of space, any name (except for shut-ins) will be removed after four weeks unless a new update is received. Thank you for helping us all to stay informed of the spiritual & physical needs of our members, friends, & family.

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

THIS WEEK

DECEMBER 6

Sunday AM

Welcome:
Howard Goodale

Prayer:
Keith Cooper

Song Lead:
Howard Goodale

Communion Scripture:
Ron Landis
1 Cor. 2:17-29

Lord's Table:
Ron Landis

Sermon:
Scott Cain

Dismissal:
Glenn Bates

Sunday PM

Welcome:
Howard Goodale

Prayer:
Wes Arabie

Song Lead:
James Cobette

Lord's Table:
Ron Landis

Sermon:
Scott Cain

Dismissal:
Don Robinson

NEXT WEEK

DECEMBER 13

Sunday AM

Welcome:
Scott Cain

Prayer:
Roland Keith

Song Lead:
Howard Goodale

Communion Scripture:
Troy Singleton
Romans 5:6-8

Lord's Table:
Ron Landis

Sermon:
Don Blackwell

Dismissal:
Ron Landis

Sunday PM

Welcome:
Scott Cain

Prayer:
Paul Macaluso

Song Lead:
Scott Cain

Lord's Table:
Ron Landis

Sermon:
Wes Arabie

Dismissal:
Howard Goodale

December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16  Work Night	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 General Assembly	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 General Assembly	31		
<p> <u>BIRTHDAYS</u></p> <p>6 Donis Lepine 9 Deanna Royal 12 Darryl Sunyly 15 Glenn Bates 18 Kalvin Cooper 18 Paula Landis 19 Liliana Barthelemy</p>						
<p> <u>ANNIVERSARY</u></p> <p>3 John & Mary Cullum 18 Keith & Portia Cooper</p>						
<p><u>WORK NIGHT:</u> Will be December 16th. We will celebrate December birthdays after work & the Cains will be hosting their annual dessert night for the congregation.</p> <p><u>GENERAL ASSEMBLY:</u> December 23rd December 30th</p>						