

February 14, 2016



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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TO THOSE WHO SERVE AS LEADERS AS WE WORSHIP

It's a great privilege & responsibility to serve in a leadership role during a worship assembly. Please be sure to check the "Men to Serve" schedule on page three so as to stay abreast of the next time you have the opportunity to serve. Also, if you are scheduled to serve during a service, please be sure to arrive no later than 5 minutes before the scheduled service begins. Thank you!

AN 8-COW WIFE

Allen Webster

On an isolated Pacific island, it was the custom for a young man to announce his intention of marriage to the entire village.

After the announcement, he & the whole community went to the young woman's home. Her father would come outside & then—in front of the community—the father & suitor would barter. (Obviously, there was no feminist movement on the island.)

The main item of value on the island was the cow. Therefore, a suitor would offer the father a certain number of cows for his daughter. The average bride was worth two cows. Perhaps three if she was unusually bright or attractive. The all-time record was four cows.

The most eligible bachelor on the island was Johnny Lingo. He was handsome & wealthy. Imagine all the excitement among the women of the island when Johnny announced one day that he had selected a wife. But then he shocked everyone by announcing that his choice was a girl named Lisa. Lisa was not even in the top ten. She was regarded as plain & frightfully shy. Some of the jokers in the crowd even suggested that Lisa's father might pay Johnny a cow or two.

The community gathered at Lisa's house for the bartering. Then came an even greater shock. Johnny's opening bid for Lisa was eight cows! Her father almost fainted, but he managed to say yes.

That very evening Johnny & Lisa were married, & they departed for their home on an adjacent island.

For a full year no one saw Johnny & Lisa. Then on their first anniversary they returned to visit their parents. From the moment they arrived at the dock, the news spread. Everybody said, "Come & see Johnny and Lisa! You won't believe it!"

Everybody came, but nobody noticed Johnny. All eyes were on Lisa. She had been transformed! She was a vision of liveliness: poised, warm, friendly, & confident.

At the end of the day, as Johnny & Lisa were preparing to return to their home, one of Johnny's longtime friends pulled him aside & said, "I want to know the secret of this amazing transformation in Lisa. How did it happen?"

Johnny said, "I will tell you. From the time Lisa was born, she had been treated as though she was not worth very much. She had begun to believe that about herself. But I announced to the community that she was an 8-cow wife, & I have treated her just that way. She has become that vision of herself that she sees every day in my eyes."

If you want an 8-cow wife or husband, start treating her or him that way. Give it a year & see what happens.

"Husbands... giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life..." - 1 Peter 3:7

HOME FRONT CRUMBLING

Allen Webster

Douglas MacArthur II (the general's nephew) worked for the government. The Secretary of State once called his home & asked to speak with him. His wife replied, "He's not here. He's where he always is—weekends, nights, Saturdays, Sundays—at the office. You can reach him there."

She had not recognized the Secretary of State's voice or she would not have been so forthright. Nonetheless, the Secretary called MacArthur & sent him home immediately.

His comment was classic: "Your Home front is crumbling."

Consider the Current Situation

Many home fronts are crumbling across our land because spouses do not spend enough time together. Between working two or three jobs, keeping children engaged in school, sports, & other activities, & having differing interests, they don't even spend much time in the same room.

A couple can become more like roommates than husband & wife.

God instructs couples to enjoy each other. To do this they must continue to build their relationship (Proverbs 5:15-19).

One said, "Marriage is given, not that two people should do one thing together, but that they should do all things together. Marriage is the total union of two personalities."

Consider Two Precepts

In the Old Testament, we find this unusual commandment: "When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be charged with any business: but he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken" (Deuteronomy 24:5).

To get a new marriage off on the right foot in ancient Israel, a husband was forbidden to go to war or be charged with any overnight business. Matthew Henry commented, "It is of great consequence that love be kept up between a husband and wife; that they carefully avoid every thing which might make them strange one to another."

The young man's assignment was to "cheer up" (samach, "to brighten up") his new bride.

In the New Testament, Peter wrote, "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them..." (I Peter 3:7). "Dwell with" is from a word (sunoikeo) found only here in the New Testament. It means "to dwell together in domestic association." He also indicates that husbands & wives are "joint-heirs of the grace of life" (*sugkleronomos*). A couple is to avoid unnecessary separation.

Consider an Example

Aquila & Priscilla traveled together, worked together, & were hospitable together (Acts 18:2). They took a missionary trip together (Acts 18:18).

They worshipped together & had Bible studies with others together (Acts 18:26).

They assisted Paul together & risked their lives together (Romans 16:3-4).

They encouraged other Christians together & had the church in their house together (I Corinthians 16:9). They remained faithful through a lifetime together (II Timothy 4:19).

When we consider that Acts 18 occurred about A.D. 54 & II Timothy, as Paul's last book, was written in about A.D. 66, they (Aquila and Priscilla) were "together" for a lifetime.

A TOUCH OF HUMOR

Don't Say We Didn't Warn You

The fellowship hall in the church building had framed Bible verses on the wall—most of them extolling God's love and care. But at a recent wedding reception, another verse caught every-one's attention. Directly behind the cake table where the couple was cutting their cake hung the warning: "Flee from the wrath to come!"

The Gift of Diamonds

Bill: It's my wife's birthday tomorrow. Last week I asked her what she wanted as a present.

Doug: So, what did she say?

Bill: She said, 'Oh, I don't know, just give me something with diamonds.' And so that's why I'm giving her a pack of playing cards.

TERMS OF ENDEARMENT

The most common terms of endearment are the following:

Honey-48%	Sweetheart-41%
Love-32%	Sugar-24%
Pumpkin-13%	Baby-44%
Dear-39%	Darling-31%
Angel-20%	Beautiful-6%

"Lips like lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh"
(Song of Solomon 5:13).

NEWS & NOTES

LAST WEEK'S RECORD

Attendance

Service	2016 Time	Last Goal	Week
Bible Study	70	69	
Sunday AM	100	74	
Sunday PM	60	48	
Wednesday	60	44	

Bible Reading

Reading Plan	2016 Goal	Last Week
Daily Readers	45	41
Bible in 2016	45	29
NT in 2016	60	38

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- SONG LEADING CLASS:** Will meet at **4:30 PM** today.
- POTLUCK:** February 28th after **PM** worship service. Last names M-Z have setup & cleanup.
- 1st ANNUAL DEGAULLE DRIVE CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY RETREAT:** August 4th-6th at Fontainebleau State Park. This Family Retreat is free of charge & is open to all members of the DeGaulle Drive Church of Christ. Please plan to be part of this wonderful weekend of fellowship.

PANTRY NEEDS: *CANNED ITEMS:* soups, chicken breast, potatoes (sweet & white). *OTHER ITEMS:* boxed juices, fruit, boxed meals, dessert snacks, small jars of peanut butter, small jars of jelly, toiletries

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED: Please see the news & notes board to sign up to prepare the Lord's Supper. Months needed are May, June, August, & December

WORK NIGHT FOR THE MASTER: January's work night produced 226 local mailings, 35 cards of encouragement, & 43 World Bible School correspondence courses.

BIBLE CALL: The Bible Call telephone library in the month of January received 93 calls for a total of 13 hours & 15 minutes of time spent listening to Biblical teaching.

NEEDING CARE & PRAYERS

Our Members & Visitors

Toilyn DeArmas: Gave birth last Tuesday to a son, Enlil James, weighing 6lbs & 11oz. Both are both home & healthy.

Family of Dianne Mason: Janice Carter's sister in Virginia who passed away unexpectedly on February 4th. Dianne's memorial service is scheduled for this Friday.

Lillie Smith: Needs encouragement as she is dealing with troubling things going on in her life & with her family.

Debbie Starr: Continues her treatments & on Friday had fluid drained from her abdomen for the third time this year.

Bill & Barbara Burchett

Family of Dan Joseph

Voncile Lieteau

John & Mary Cullum

James Lieteau

Deanna Royal

Our Shut-In

Elwanda Piskorik

Our Family & Friends

Linda Greathouse: Wife of George Greathouse; had surgery on her hand last Friday.

Robyn Cox: Daughter of Betty Moss; had should surgery with some reconstruction.

Lynn Perkins: Needs our prayers as she tries to find gainful employment.

Seth Loy: Brother of Gabbrielle McKinney; is facing 5 years of jail or 1 year of rehab.

Mia Paige: Brother of Justice Pitts; is currently incarcerated & is facing up to 25 years.

Joby Smith, Jr.: Grandson of Wes & Cheryl Arabie; needs prayers & encouragement. His mailing address can be found on the New & Notes boards. Please send your kind thoughts to him.

Kaiyah Alexander

Quinn Merryman

Betty England

Allen Morris

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

FEBRUARY 14

Sunday AM

Welcome:

Wes Arabie

Prayer:

Roland Keith

Song Lead:

Howard Goodale

Communion Scripture:

Steve Tucker

Ephesians 1:3-7

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Scott Cain

Dismissal:

Don Robinson

Sunday PM

Welcome:

Wes Arabie

Prayer:

Keith Cooper

Song Lead:

Wes Arabie

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Scott Cain

Dismissal:

Howard Goodale

NEXT WEEK

FEBRUARY 21

Sunday AM

Welcome:

Steve Tucker

Prayer:

Paul Macaluso (2)

Song Lead:

Howard Goodale

Communion Scripture:

Troy Singleton

Acts 20:28

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Scott Cain

Dismissal:

Jerome Riddick

Sunday PM

Welcome:

Steve Tucker

Prayer:

Wes Arabie

Song Lead:

James Cobette

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Scott Cain

Dismissal:

Ron Landis

February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
 Youth Lock-in Ages 3 & up	8	9	10	11	12	13
4	15	16	17	18	19	20
11	22	23	24  Work Night	25	26	27
18  PM Fellowship	29					
 BIRTHDAYS 2 Sharon Macaluso 11 Chris Meek 11 Luke Cooper			 ANNIVERSARY 20 Roland & Jackie Keith			

YOUTH LOCK-IN: February 7th
from 11:30 – 5:30 for children
ages 3-12.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL: Will be
February 28th after evening
worship.

WORK NIGHT: Will be January
24th. We will celebrate February
birthdays after work night.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS: Will begin
with Leviticus 1 & go through
Deuteronomy 34 in February.