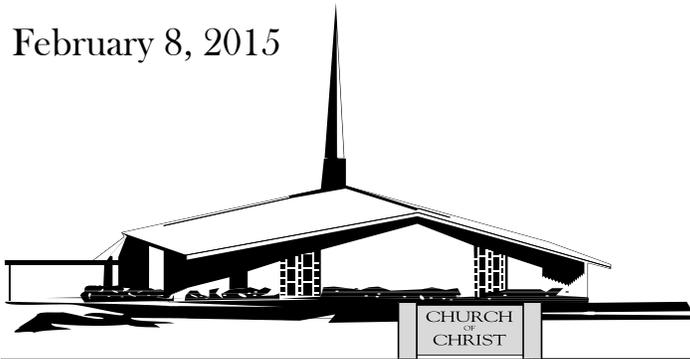


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DeGaulle Drive

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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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

Steve Tucker	504-812-2617
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In Search of the Lord's Way
The Old Landmarks
The Truth in Love

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RCIndia@sonet.net

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PREACHER TRAINING:

Memphis School of Preaching

TRUE LOVE

The Bible is a book about love. It assumes that married couples love each other and rejoice together (Ecclesiastes 9:9). Isaac loved Rebekah, and she brought comfort into his life (Genesis 24:67). Uriah the Hittite nourished and cherished Bathsheba (2 Samuel 12:3). Solomon's wife was as loving to him as a pet deer (Proverbs 5:19). What characteristics does the Bible give of true love?

TRUE LOVE IS SACRIFICIAL—NO PRICE IS TOO GREAT.

One man confessed to his friend that he was afraid that he loved his wife too much. His friend asked him if he loved her as much as Christ loved the church. He answered no, and his friend said, "Then you must love her more."

[It is said that Cyrus, the founder of the Persian Empire, once had captured a prince and his family. When they came before him, the monarch asked the prisoner, "What will you give me if I release you?" "The half of my wealth," was his reply. "And if I release your children?" "Everything I possess." "And if I release your wife?" "Your Majesty, I will give myself." Cyrus was so moved by his devotion that he freed them all. As they returned home, the prince said to his wife, "Wasn't Cyrus a handsome man!" With a look of deep love for her husband, she said to him, "I didn't notice. I could only keep my eyes on you—the one who was willing to give himself for me." – <http://www.housetohouse.com/HTHPubPage.aspx?pub=3&issue=594&article=4530>]

A husband who understands biblical love would lay down his life for his wife. A wife would do the same for her husband (1 John 3:16; cf. Romans 5:7). It follows logically that one who would make the supreme sacrifice will readily make the smaller sacrifices needed on a daily basis to help a spouse draw nearer to God. Jacob loved Rachel enough to sacrifice fourteen years of his life for her (Genesis 29:20, Genesis 30:30). A husband may not enjoy going to see his wife's mother, and she may not enjoy watching football every weekend, but these are small sacrifices to make for a good relationship. Personal likes, desires, opinions, preferences, and welfare take a backseat to compatibility, friendship, and long-term closeness.

TRUE LOVE IS RELENTLESS—NO ROAD IS TOO LONG.

Love finds a way. It is creative and longsuffering. To use Paul's words, love "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth" (1 Corinthians 13:7-8). It doesn't quit and walk out (Matthew 19:6-9; Romans 7:2). The four friends of a palsied man illustrate love's creativity. When they could not get to Jesus through a door or

window, they climbed up and broke through the roof (Mark 2:4). Love refuses to give up until a spouse is ready for heaven. Love never lets a mate slow up in the Christian race, or give up in the fight with the devil (1 Corinthians 9:24-27).

TRUE LOVE IS COMPREHENSIVE—NO SIN IS SAFE.

Paul refers to removing spots and wrinkles, which is a clothing metaphor (Ephesians 5:27). As a garment brought home from the cleaners has spots removed and wrinkles pressed out, so two Christians long married are cleansed and groomed to meet the Master. The figure may also refer to an aging body that becomes spotted and wrinkled. Since spots are external and wrinkles are caused by internal decay, the figure applies to spouses helping each other overcome both obvious flaws and hidden secrets (Psalm 19:12).

A spouse has a unique perspective and opportunity to help us successfully prepare to meet King Jesus. They know us the best; they are around us the most; they understand our strengths and weaknesses. They likely know our secret sins and carefully masked character flaws. Thus they are in the best position to help us “spruce up” before we go to that marriage feast. Love covers a multitude of sins (1 Peter 4:8).

God gave us our families to help us be prepared on that great, final day when the whole world will be watching (Matthew 25:31-33). Is your spouse ready?

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A MERRY HEART DOETH GOOD...

SECRET TO FIFTY

A couple was celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Over the years they had raised a brood of 10 children and were blessed with 22 grandchildren.

When asked the secret for staying together all that time, the wife replied, “Many years ago we made a promise to each other: the first one to pack up and leave has to take all the kids.”

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A BOY’S PERSPECTIVE

A little boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed between the pages.

“Mama, look what I found,” the boy called out.

“What have you got there, dear?”

With astonishment in the young boy’s voice, he answered, “I think it’s Adam’s first pair of pants!”

OH SO TRUE

- If at first you don’t succeed, skydiving is probably not for you.
- Never wrestle with a pig. You both get dirty but only the pig enjoys it.
- Money can’t buy happiness. But it sure makes misery easier to handle.
- Always remember to pillage before you burn.
- The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was.
- Vital papers will demonstrate their vitality by moving to where you can’t find them.
- One-seventh of life is spent on Monday.
- Drink varnish and you’ll have a lovely finish.
- We can sympathize with a child who is afraid of the dark, but the tragedy of life is that most people are afraid of the light. –
Stephen P. Waller

LESSONS IN LEADERSHIP

FAST OR FAR?

Wade Webster

An African proverb states, “If you want to go fast – go alone. If you want to go far – go together.”

As is often the case with proverbs, this one contains much practical wisdom. We can generally go faster by ourselves than with others. However, we can’t usually go as far.

Likely, we all know something about how geese fly. As you know, each one takes a turn in the front of the V formation. The whole flock shares the burden of leadership.

Furthermore, when they are not leading, they are honking support for the one that is. They may not fly as fast this way, but they certainly fly farther. Of course, the same is true of us as Christians. We need the support of one another to fly farther.

Solomon wrote, “Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up. Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm alone?” (Ecclesiastes 4:9-11).

Let’s resist the urge to fly solo. Let’s team up so that we can go farther.

NEWS & NOTES

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 1. PICTURES:** Members, we still have a few photos remaining to be taken for our member board & directory. Please plan to have a picture taken of you & your family. Past photos will not be used.
- 2. FELLOWSHIP:** Join us for a fellowship meal after P.M. worship on **February 22nd**. Please bring soups, sandwiches, & desserts (especially chocolate)!!!
- 3. WORK NIGHT:** Our monthly works night will be **February 25th**. Please plan to help with this evangelistic effort.

WELCOME: We would like to welcome two new members to the DeGaulle fold.

Martha & William Clark: 5025 Reed Street
Marrero, LA 70072
(504)348-9356 (504)430-8048

COMMUNION PREPARATION LIST: A new sign-up sheet for 2015 is posted in the foyer.

LAST WEEK'S RECORD

Attendance

Bible Study	59
Sunday AM	84
Sunday PM	44
Wednesday	39

NEEDING CARE & PRAYERS

Our Members & Visitors

- Wilma Blaché:** Has been recently hindered by lower back pain.
Martha Clark: Her recently scheduled eye surgery was postponed until early February.
William Jenkins: Recently had three stints added. He is out & about & doing well.
Betty Moss: Is on medication for her recent sickness & hopes to be better soon.
Dana Pitts: Seeks prayers for herself & her family as they deal with health problems & her son Mia Paige's legal issues.
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| Viola Bright | Bill & Barbara Burchett |
| Mary Cullum | Roger Ferrell |
| Dan Joseph | Mae McKinney |
| Lillie Smith | Debbie Starr |
| Louise & Toni Sylve | LaTonia Brooks-Washington |

Our Shut-Ins

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| Virginia Self | Elwanda Piskorik |
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Our Family & Friends

- Jordan Alexander:** He & Erika await test results to see if the child they are expecting has Down syndrome.
Betty Beatty: Friend & member of the church which William Goodale attends in Algood, TN; awaits results of a biopsy on a brain tumor.
Sherry Dale: Friend of Portia Cooper; seeks prayers for strength for herself & her son John in dealing with John's legal issues.
Mary Hardee: Recently lost her teaching position & all of her symptoms from Chiari malformation have returned.
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| Maegan Brimm | Lance Ezell |
| Family of Mariano Gonzales | Marie Faye Hackney |
| Mary Macaluso Hardee | Sharon Martin |
| Family of Susan McDonald Meek | Steve Sanders |
| George Zimmerman | |

Deployed Servicemen

Nathan Gillespie: 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 8

Sunday AM

Welcome:

Wes Arabia

Prayer:

Don Robinson

Song Lead:

Dick Grantham

Communion Scripture:

Jerome Riddick

Matthew 26:26-29

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Scott Cain

Dismissal:

Paul Macaluso (2)

Sunday PM

Welcome:

Wes Arabia

Prayer:

Ron Landis

Song Lead:

Howard Goodale

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Scott Cain

Dismissal:

John Cullum

NEXT WEEK

FEBRUARY 15

Sunday AM

Welcome:

Steve Tucker

Prayer:

Dick Grantham

Song Lead:

Howard Goodale

Communion Scripture:

Troy Singleton

Ephesians 1:3, 7

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Scott Cain

Dismissal:

Wes Arabia

Sunday PM

Welcome:

Steve Tucker

Prayer:

Howard Goodale

Song Lead:

Dick Grantham

Lord's Table:

Ron Landis

Sermon:

Wes Arabia

Dismissal:

Glenn Bates

February 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22  P.M. Fellowship	23	24	25  Work Night	26	27	28
BIRTHDAYS						ANNIVERSARY
02/01 *Keagen James		02/07 Mariann Newton				
02/02 Sharon Macaluso		02/11 Chris Meek				
02/05 Joshua Patton		02/11 *Luke Cooper				

Pictures: Pictures will be taken each Sunday after morning worship & will be used in the new directory & on the member board. Past pictures will not be used.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL: Will be February 22nd after P.M. service.

WORK NIGHT: Will be Wednesday February 25th. February Birthdays will be celebrated after work night.