

RECORDS YOU HELPED MAKE

Bible Class	36
Attendance AM	73
Attendance PM	28
Wednesday PM	34

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer for Health: Lavern Clayton (TLH); Rhea Wallace; Victoria Dudley; Herman and Beulah Farmer; Katherine Willis; Jerry and Linda Thomas; Jim Thomas; Otis and Glenna Adair; Clifford Holt; Richard & Florine Thomas; Jack and Carlene Harley;
Traveling: Norris Cole, II; Lyle Cole
Prayers: Brethren in Ukraine
Repentance: Richard Melson, Jr.
Baptism:
Sympathy: Tolley family; Woods/Motes family
Birthdays: April— 8 Beulah Farmer, Dwayne Eslick; 11 Mary Sanders; 12 Diane Cole (Lyle); Jacob Hoover; 23 Norris Cole; 25 Carolyn Johnson; 30 Gladys Chittick
Anniversaries: April — 1 Otis & Glenna Adair; C.D. and Judy Arnett
Ladies Reading Group:
Potter Children’s Home: Change cans are available at the office

April 17	BRETHREN TO SERVE AM	BRETHREN TO SERVE PM
Opening Prayer	Patrick Cook	Patrick Cook
Song Leader	Lyle Cole	Jerry Thomas
Lead Lord’s Supper	Anthony Grigsby	Anthony Grigsby
Server 1	Denzil Turner, III	Patrick Thomas
Server 2	James Grigsby	Steven Crane
Scripture Reader	Frank Brock	Frank Brock
Sermon	Richard Melson	Richard Melson
Prayer for Responses	Elders / Preacher	Elders / Preacher
Closing Prayer	Otis Adair	C.D. Arnett
Announcements	Richard Melson	Richard Melson
Greeter		
Usher		
Usher		

A.S.A.P. = Always Say A Prayer

**“Pray without ceasing”
1 Thessalonians 5:17**

TO OUR VISITORS

Our goal in the church of Christ is to be the New Testament church, which you can read about in the Bible. We invite you to observe our worship assemblies, the doctrine that is taught and the structure of the church organization. Make a close comparison with your *“church”* and the church of the Bible -- **The Church of Christ**. We also invite you to join us as we strive to be the church of the Bible and restore New Testament Christianity.

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SPEAKING BEFORE YOU KNOW THE TRUTH

Dan Jenkins

One of the mistakes far too many make is forming opinions and often arriving at a final conclusion before we hear the complete story. Solomon said, “He who answers a matter before he hears it, it is folly and shame to him” (Prov. 18:13). Also remember that in defense of Jesus, Nicodemus said, “Does our law judge a man before it hears him and knows what he is doing” (John 7:51).

Yet, many people arrive at conclusions simply because of what others are saying without ever investigating to know the whole story. Tragically, they then act on these ill-founded conclusions and even become vocal advocates of these unstudied matters. Let me illustrate this by looking at two views of Jesus and why He was crucified.

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter before we say anything

One View of the Jesus and His Crucifixion

I know the reason Jesus was crucified. He was a blasphemer and a vile man. He was so vile that not even a single one of our religious or political leaders thought He was right. He spoke like a terrorist and said He was going to tear down the temple and not leave one stone upon another of that sacred building. He spoke of holiness and presented Himself as a holy man, but all one has to do to see what He really was like is to look at who He spent His time with—publicans, harlots and the dropouts of our world. He chose twelve men who were ignorant and unlearned laborers and some of them were Zealots (who carried knives to secretly kill the Romans) and others who collected taxes to fund the immorality of the Caesars.

He taught that one should cut off their hands and pluck out their eyes. He told everyone to sell everything they had and give it away. No one could really know what He believed because He told weird stories about sowing seed, cooking bread, building houses on sand, rich men in a burning fire, sheep and goats, and told of sins our holy God will not forgive. If you want to know what he really was like, look at how He died—crucified with convicted criminals, begging Elijah to come and take Him off the cross and sanctimoniously asking God to forgive those killing him. He was buried in a rich man’s tomb, but His disciples came by night and stole His body. He was a fraud and everyone I know thinks this.

The Other View of Jesus and His Crucifixion

Read Mathew, Mark, Luke and John. Then, form your own conclusions. Hear the whole matter before you speak. Now, apply this principle to the rest of your life and what you say about any matter, especially what you say about others. Hearing only one side is why the multitude crucified the Son of God. Think about it!

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30
Worship 10:30 A.M.
5:00 P.M.

1st Sunday No 5:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study
7:00 P.M.

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