



Northside Church of Christ

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

Building a community of Faith, Hope and Love; Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him.

Schedule of Services: Bible Class 9:30am; AM Worship 10:30; PM Worship 6:00; PM Wednesday 6:00

Date: Sunday, January 28, 2018

Exempt from the Exam

The Bible says, "You shall not put the Lord your God to the test" (Matthew 4:7). Have you ever been exempt from a final exam in school? It only happened to me once and I still think the teacher mixed up my grades with the smart kid's. What does it take to achieve exemption? Schools might use it as incentive for students to score well on assignments throughout the class. They show a positive track record, and they know the material.

What about God? Has he earned exemption from the tests we put Him through? "If you'll answer my prayers the way I want, I'll be faithful to you." Does God have a proven track record in your past? Sometimes we try to reverse roles with the Almighty Creator. Israel did the same when grumbling and complaining in the wilderness about food and water (Deuteronomy 6:16-17). They tested God's resolve, His desire to put up with them. He could have let them fend for themselves, but He chose to prove His devotion despite the whining. That's the mature response we expect from someone who knows the material well. Does God deserve an exemption?

God knows us and understands our curiosity and concern. Even in the worst times we must realize our dependence on God. Job understood this when he was tested. He certainly questioned God. He asked why? (Job 7:11-21) But when God answered with His track record (Job 42:1-6), Job comprehended his role. Let's not question God's faithfulness, but please know that we can ask Him questions. The only test that should concern us is our own (2 Corinthians 13:5-7). Will you pass or fail? Is Christ in you? Are you in the faith? No one is exempt from this exam.

Thoughts from Chris Wheat

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There Arose A Division

John 7:1-53

Introduction (John 7:1-10)

- Is Jesus “The _____ Christ, The Incomparable Christ, The All-Sufficient Christ”?
- Or is He “The Controversial Christ, The Divisive Christ, The _____ Christ”?
- The Feast of Booths was a festival celebration of _____ for provisions.
- Even the _____ of Jesus viewed Him from an earthly, political perspective.

“**My** Teachings Are From _____” (John 7:10-24)

- The temple was a usual place for discussion between rabbis and _____.
- Jesus brought the teachings of God down from above to the _____ of earth.
- The _____ test for knowing it is God’s will is to try it yourself! Put it to the test!
- “Only he who believes is obedient, and only he who is obedient _____.”

“**I** Have Come From _____” (John 7:25-31)

- His bold and open claim forces everyone to make a call, to come to a _____.
- Many believed despite the _____; through the gloom someone still sees clearly.
- Never stop declaring who Jesus is simply because others _____ the waters!

“**Come** To Me And _____” (John 7:32-52)

- During the Feast of Booths each day a priest filled a golden pitcher with water from the pool of Siloam and paraded it back to the temple to pour it out as a thanksgiving _____.
- They thought those were healing, life-giving waters... but only _____ can give life.
- Some believed He was the Prophet and others even believed He was the _____!
- No matter your choice, Jesus encourages a _____ decision.
- He won’t allow for the fatal luxury of indecisiveness or _____ (Revelation 3:16).
- What will you do with the controversial, polarizing Christ? (1 Peter 2:4-8; Matthew 10:34-38)

Journal for the Journey

- The Battled of the _____ stands as a prime example of bold decisiveness.
- “*For too long I have been trying to sit on the fence, only to find out that there is no fence.*”
- ***What will you do with Jesus? The _____ comes to you!***

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Kaison, great grandson of the Bancalé's, is getting medicine to help remove his blockage.

Tashon, a son of a friend of Sammi Jo Whisenhunt's, has seizures when he gets sick.

Anita Carter, will be staying with her daughter for a while.

Byron Swan, band director at Aquilla School, was diagnosed with Leukemia that is treatable.

The **Scott** family needs prayers.

PRAY FOR

➤ Danny Paschal, Evar Johnson, Larry Havard, Sr. Joyce Ross, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. David Banda, Dick & Barbra Decker, Ed Fields, David Anderson, Karen Freyer, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Karen McKenzie, Glenda Tynes, Wendell Davis, Ronnie McDaniel, Nita Winget, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, James Lewis, Ronnie Branstetter, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Betty Mars, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Allison Whited, Jackson Pratkanis, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Donna Blahuta, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham (cancer), Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe (cancer) Tommy Cross (cancer), Sherril Polansky (cancer), Cora & Sonny Gore.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans & Anita Carter

Lake Shore Estates Eugenia Olson

St Catherines Billy Eubank (214)

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Clara Wheat (31st).

OTHER NEWS

We will have hot dogs for the **Wednesday Night Meal** starting at 5:30.

There will be **singing** at The Atrium of Bellmead following worship service on Wednesday Night.

Pot Luck next Sunday after morning worship. **No** evening services.

Starting next Sunday Johnny Henderson will be teaching the book of Judges in the Auditorium class and **Chris Wheat** will be teaching about the Ministry of Encouragement in the Breakfast Club class.

Registration for Camp and Retreats

Start, for the Retreat mid January and for Camp mid April.

THEME FOR RETREAT

March 16-18 Sent by Jesus

GIRLS RETREAT

April 27-29 Rett's Girls Retreat

THEME FOR CAMP

July 14-21 Find your way with Jesus

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 4th Pot Luck after morning worship. No evening services.

February 16th -18th Winterfest in Gatlinburg, TN.

March 11th Change time (spring forward)

March 25th Pot Luck after morning worship. No evening services.

March 25th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm..

April 5th – 7th FAC reserved for garage sale.

April 21st FAC reserved for Eastern Star. (Donald Holland)

May 19th area wide singing here at 5pm. Snacks after.

Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for children's time.



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10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Song Order:

41 – Mighty Is Our God
288 – Fairest Lord Jesus

Prayer: Aubrey Minchew

Song Order:

162 – All Hail the Power of Jesus Name
102 – Great is the Lord Almighty
359 – I Love the Lord

Communion:

Grover Summers Charlie Scott
Phil Bancale Truman Burrow

Song Order:

179 – He Is Lord
1014 - "Jesus Loves Me"

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order:

166 – He's My King

Sermon by Chris Wheat

"There Arose A Division"

Invitation Song

944 – What Shall It Be?

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Prayer: Camp Neff

**If you are visiting with us we extend you a warm
welcome!**

	<u>Week of JAN 7</u>	<u>Monthly Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>64</u>	<u>50</u>
AM Worship	<u>95</u>	<u>92</u>
PM Worship	<u>43</u>	<u>29</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>51</u>	<u>27</u>
Contribution	<u>\$2418</u>	<u>\$3410.40</u>

Northside Leadership

Elders

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Chris Borland
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Words of Wisdom



Correcting faults is like tying a necktie; we can do it easier on ourselves than on anybody else.