



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, December 23, 2018

Are We Missing the Point?

This article is not a tirade or a spark for debate, but an attempt to focus our thoughts. Sometimes we get so caught up in the discussion about Christmas and its origins that we do miss the intended point.

Do we know the exact date of Jesus birth or death? No! In fact we can't even nail down the year for certain. Usually, when there is a lack of information, it's best not to form concrete conclusions. Since we're missing key data regarding, maybe God wants us to understand the larger picture, the eternal significance, the main point.

"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us") (Matthew 1:23).

Jesus fulfilled a prophecy concerning God's inescapable presence. God has always wanted to be with His people, walking in the garden with Adam and Eve or dwelling in the tabernacle to provide guidance for Israel. He sent a piece of Himself to experience the life and death of a human and provide a way to conquer what separated us in the first place, our sins. Now, through His spirit, He is here with us, the alpha and the omega, the beginning and the end. This concrete truth based on Jesus birth, life, death, and resurrection, demands consideration by each and every human being. What will we do with God's presence? Will we invite Him into our lives and hearts, or will we shut Him out? Remember, He sent His son through a miracle, to perform the miracle of saving grace through faith and obedience. Do you look forward to having God with us in the place He is preparing even now? **(John 14:1-7; Revelation 21:1-4)**. My friends, aren't we really missing the point?

Thoughts from Chris Wheat

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My Attitude Toward Life

1 Peter 4:1-11

- *Introduction*

- What is the meaning of _____? How do I find purpose?
- Is there a _____ of measurement for how to live in this world?

- *Living In Purity (1 Pt. 4:1-5)*

- We need the same pure _____ that gave Christ strength (**John 4:34**).
- *Asotia* means a _____ life without self-control (**Eph. 5:18; Tit. 1:16**).
- Christ and sin are _____ (**Rom. 13:13-14**).

- *Living With the End in View (1 Pt. 4:5-7)*

- There are peaks and valleys, but it all leads to _____ end (**Acts 17:31**).
- Physical death seals one's _____ destiny (**Luke 16:19-31**).
- Jesus warned with _____ of Jerusalem's destruction (**Mt. 24:3-35**).
- Jesus warns of His return _____ signs (**Mt. 24:36-51**).
- How could Peter _____ affirm the end of all things? (**Mt. 24:36**)
- Do we think the same, sensing _____? (**James 5:8; Phil. 4:5**)

- *Living for Others (1 Pt. 4:8-11)*

- We have frequent exhortations to _____ God's people (**Col. 3:14; 1 Jn. 4:7**).
- We should try to help, _____, encourage, and incorporate (**Gal. 6:1**).

- *Conclusion*

- Children of God are motivated to live in _____ with the world.
- Children of God are motivated to live _____ for the end.
- Children of God are motivated to live _____, like Christ.
- God simplifies and clarifies our _____ (**Eccl. 12:13**).
- A Christian perspective on life gives us *something to hold on to...*

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Dolores Davis needs encouragement and prayers.

Danny Paschal has a spot on his lungs. They will do a scan and possible biopsy in early January.

Pete Commander's surgery will be rescheduled. His blood pressure was too low on Monday to have it.

Anna Mullins has been in Hillcrest Hospital with an infection.

Guy Clemmons passed away last week.

Wanda Knutson is still doing chemo.

PRAY FOR

➤ Maudine Reed, Diana Grant (broken ankle) Garland Haverkamp (high blood pressure) Kelli Volcik (cancer) Darlene Chatman (heart problems) Warren Garland (health) James Lewis, Anna Mullins, Terry Wiggins, Ed St Claire, Danny Paschal, Ever Johnson, Larry Havard Sr, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. David Banda, David Anderson, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Glenda Tynes, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham, Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe, Tommy Cross, Sherril Polansky, Cora & Sonny Gore, Mark Hardwick, Joey Primeaux, Larry Scott, Madeleine Anderson, Larry Lykins, Wanda Knutson, Rick Keeton.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans. **St Catherines** Doris Dickerson

OTHER NEWS

The Wednesday Night Meal will be at 5:30pm.

There will be an Education brainstorming meeting on Sunday, January 6th after morning services. Lunch provided. Sign up in foyer.

The office will closed December 24th Christmas Eve, 25th Christmas Day and January 1, 2019 New Years Day.

Game night Sunday, December 30th after worship services. Bring finger foods and games.

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 25th Christmas Day office will be closed.

December 25th FAC reserved to the Markwardts.
January 1, 2019 New Years Day. FAC reserved to Dolores Davis.

January 12th Mighty Men's Mentoring Conference.

January 13th Men's Training Class from 5:15 till 5:45 in the auditorium.

February 3rd Pot Luck after morning worship.

February 3rd No evening services.

March 23rd Stronger Marriages workshop.

March 31st Pot Luck after morning worship.

March 31st singing at the Atrium of Bellmead.

March 31st No Evening Services.

April 28th Pot Luck after morning worship

April 28th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1.

April 28th No evening services.

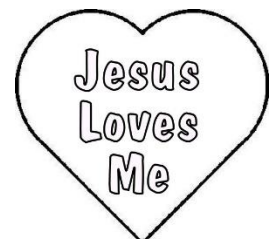
to the **May 26th** Pot Luck after morning worship.

May 26th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

May 26th No evening services.

June 14 & 15, 2019 FAC reserved for the Bancales.

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:

72 – Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty
76 – How Great Thou Art

Prayer: Eric Wharton

Song Order:

315 – When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Scripture:

Luke 14:25 - 33

Communion:

Joe Saucedo Nelson Moore
Matt Wingett Mike Olson

Song Order:

671 – Purer in Heart, O God

1014 – “Jesus Loves Me”

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order:

560 – Living By Faith

448 – The Greatest Commands

Sermon by Chris Wheat

“My Attitude Toward Life”

Invitation Song:

712 – Jesus Is Coming Soon

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Prayer: Aubrey Minchew

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

	<u>Week of</u> <u>Dec 16</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>54</u>	<u>54</u>
AM Worship	<u>88</u>	<u>95</u>
PM Worship	<u>31</u>	<u>30</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>50</u>	<u>31</u>
Contribution	<u>\$2,065</u>	<u>\$3,091</u>

Northside Leadership

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Words of Wisdom



“We shall steer safely through every storm, so long as our heart is right, our intention fervent, our courage steadfast, and our trust fixed on God.

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