

MOUNTAIN GROVE CHURCH OF CHRIST, 411 W. First Street/P.O. Box 321, Mtn. Grove, MO 65711, 417-926-4982

FAMILY NEWS - APRIL 13, 2025

BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAY 9:00 AM; WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM; **WORSHIP:** SUNDAY - 10:00 AM & 11:15 AM

Ladies Class - Tuesday 10:00 AM; Men's Class - Thursday 6:00 PM

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Announcements: Richard Sciba
Scripture Reader: Owen LeBaron
Preacher: Keith B. Cozort

PRAYER LEADERS

Sunday:

9:00 A.M. **Tim Nicks**
10:00 A.M. **Jeremiah Hicks**
Phil Driskill
11:15 A.M. **Jesse Howard**
Max Schmollinger

Wednesday: **David Grow**
Wyatt Hicks

SONG LEADERS

Sunday: 10:00 A.M. **David Grow**
11:15 A.M. **Terry LeBaron**
Wednesday: **Brent LeBaron**

THE LORD'S TABLE

Preside: **Kevin Cozort**
Assist: **Jude Hicks**
Logan Howard
Brent LeBaron

USHER

Sunday: 10:00 **Larry Turner**
11:15 **Tim Nicks**
Wednesday: **Terry LeBaron**

NEED A RIDE?

Sunday: **Phil Driskill** 259-4359
Wed: **Terry LeBaron** 259-3261

LET US SERVE

Communion Prep: **Linda LeBaron**
Flowers: **Carolyn Turner**

APRIL 13

Greeters: Richard/Ruby Sciba
Pew Greeters: Brent/Jessica LeBaron
Phil/Donna Driskill
Visitor Bags: Julian LeBaron

APRIL 20

Greeters: Wyatt/Addison Hicks
Pew Greeters: Brian/Jodee Sherrell
Richard/Ruby Sciba
Visitor Bags: Jace

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Week of April 6th:
Sunday: (BC, AM1, AM2):59, 70, 48
Wednesday 40
Contribution \$3593.00

WELCOME! Thank you for joining us in worship today. If you are a visitor YOU are our honored guests!

GOD'S PLAN: HEAR-Rom. 10:17; **BELIEVE** - John 8:24; **REPENT**- Acts 17:30; **CONFESS** - Rom. 10:9-10; **BE IMMERSED** - Acts 2:38; **REMAIN FAITH even in death** - Rev. 2:10. **Have you obeyed?**

WORKS WE ARE PRIVILEGED TO SUPPORT: On-line Academy of Biblical Studies (OABS); The Bible Institute of Missouri (BIM); Global School of Biblical Studies; Shaddy Chapel church of Christ; Brent Green; Coby Hicks, Levi Hicks, David Bass (Instructor at the Jamaica School of Preaching).

Worship Leaders, please use the microphone so all can worship with you!
Please silence all electronics. Children, please walk!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

*April 13th - Potluck today
*April 13th - 16th - Our Meeting with Jon McCormack
*April 20th - Youth Speaking, Sack Lunch, Men's meeting 1:00

Please make your plans to attend every lesson of our Gospel Meeting with **Jon McCormack** from West Plains, **THEME: GOD'S HOLY PEOPLE:**

Sunday - **How To Stay Holy**

- **Raising Holy Children**

- **Holy In A Non-Holy World**

Monday - **God Demands Holy Preaching**

Tuesday - **Helping Others To Be Holy**

Wednesday - **When Holy People Are Hated**

THANK YOU - to Lois for providing a fun-filled evening for our young ladies.

SYMPATHY - to Ann Newton in the passing of her brother-in-law, Robert Hart. His ashes will be buried Saturday, April 19th at 2:00 at the cemetery here in Mountain Grove.

AREA MEETINGS: There are several meetings upcoming in our area. Please check the bulletin board and support as many as you can by your attendance.

PANTRY ITEMS: Your choice. Thank you!

HAVE YOU PASSED OUT YOUR TEN CARDS THIS MONTH?

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Dwain Murphy - in hospital May 1st
Dorthy Robertson
Lois Schmollinger
Ann Newton
Terry LeBaron
Sheila Deaton
Tinzie Mackey
Buddy & Annette McCarty
Effie Hicks

Our School of Evangelism plans
and participation

FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

Jeremy Sciba - ruptured disc -
surgery May 1st
Larry Gray - kidney cancer
(Cheryl's uncle, surgery May 6th)
Danny Nicks - broke both wrists
Larry Hicks - (Jeremiah's Dad)
Betty Strain - (Tim's Mother)
Phyllis Coffman - Hartville Care
Center, room 305
Madison Cozort-struggling to get a
routine that will allow healing
Jodee Sherrell's family: William
and Lavone Wood & Carla Elkhorn
& daughters
Deborah Allen's family: Christin
Cook, Cody Allen, & grandchildren
Keira Graham & newborn son
(Paytent's family)
Alexandria Story and baby - once
born the baby will be in NICU -
(friend of Miakayla Hicks)
Doroline Barnes - (Ann's family)
Bill Yarber
Joe Wyrick (Linda's brother)
Wayne Crosby
Mike & Betty Lane (Tucker's
friends)
Viril & Alice Deaton

MILITARY FAMILIES:

Derek Davis family - New Mexico
(Derek, McKenzie and Ryker are
expecting a girl on May 1st).
Dusty Deaton family - Arkansas

BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY

God, our Creator and spiritual Father, has many amazing qualities that cannot be fully fathomed, adequately described, measured or appreciated. He is transcendent, the God above all. From our hearts we worship Him as we stand in awe before Him. It has been suggested that God's greatest attribute is His character of holiness. Nothing else would matter if God wasn't holy. All through human history God has not merely declared His holiness, but He has demonstrated it too many times to count. The Father, Jesus Christ and the Spirit of God are all infinitely holy (Isaiah 6:3).

The natural response to God's grace is one of holiness (Titus 2:11-14). Jesus suffered and died for you and me not only to save us, but to set us free from the stranglehold of sin and enable us to be holy now. Being called out of the world and translated into the kingdom of heaven, we are to renounce ungodliness, evil lusts and to live soberly, righteously and godly the remainder of our days. My friend, Jesus didn't go through the shame and anguish of Calvary to give us immunity from an ongoing lifestyle of practicing unrighteousness (1 John 3:5-10). We must not buy into an old doctrine that says what we do in our bodies has no bearing on our spiritual being or our relationship with God.

The Christian's standard is one of holiness. If you and I think like the world, speak like the world, dress like the world and pursue the interests of the world, then we should not be surprised that Jesus sees us as worldly rather than holy. You and I are to measure each thought, word and action against the standard of holiness. If I wear certain clothing in public, if I participate in a given activity, if I go to a certain location, etc., will I promote a spirit of holiness?

The Christian's pursuit is one of holiness (Hebrews 12:14). One emphasis here is that holiness is not only passive, but there is a determined interest and active element on our part as saints. Yes, God makes us holy. Yet, there is individual responsibility in the matter. God says, "Be ye holy, for I am holy" (1 Peter 1:15-16). These words identify a challenge from God and a choice on our part, because He imposes His holiness upon us.

The writer of Hebrews penned, "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord (Hebrews 12:14). According to Thayer, the idea expressed by the original term translated "follow" means "to run swiftly in order to catch a person or thing." In a metaphorical sense it means "to pursue." We are not to be indifferent either about having peace with others or having holiness as our dominant character trait.

Our spiritual lives are not to be static but progressive. We are to grow in our walk with God, becoming more like Jesus with the passing of time. Jesus died for us that in holiness we might walk and live with Him.