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CHURCH OF GOD NEWSLETTER

## God's Holy Days 2021

**Passover \***

March 26th

**Feast of Unleavened Bread \***

March 28th - April 3rd

**Pentecost \***

May 16th

**Feast of Trumpets \***

September 7th

**Atonement \***

September 16th

**Feast of Tabernacles \***

September 21st - 27th

**Last Great Day \***

September 28th

**\* Begin Evening Before at Sundown**

*Fulfill you my joy,  
that you be  
likeminded, having  
the same love, being  
of one accord, of one  
mind.*

**Philippians 2:2**

## The Ten Commandments

Exodus 20:1-17

And God spoke all these words, saying,  
I am the LORD your God, which has brought you out of  
the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

You will have no other gods before me.

You will not make yourself any graven image, or any  
likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is  
in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the  
earth:

You will not bow down yourself to them, or serve  
them: for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visit-  
ing the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto  
the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;  
And showing mercy to thousands of them that love  
me, and keep my commandments.

You will not take the name of the LORD your God in  
vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that  
takes his name in vain.

Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Six days you will labor, and do all your work:

But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD your  
God: in it you will not do any work, you, or thy son, or  
your daughter, your manservant, or your maidservant,  
or your cattle, or your stranger that is within your  
gates:

For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the  
sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day:  
wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hal-  
lowed it.

Honor your father and your mother: that your days  
may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God  
giveth thee.

You will not murder.

You will not commit adultery.

You will not steal.

You will not bear false witness against your neighbor.  
You will not covet your neighbor's house, you will not  
covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant, or his  
maidservant, or his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is  
your neighbor's.

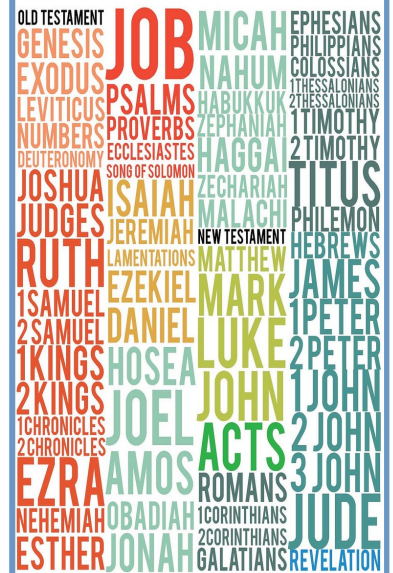
John 13:34-35

A new commandment I give to you, That you love one  
another; as I have loved you, that you also love one  
another.

By this shall all *men* know that you are my disciples, if  
you have love one to another.

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*For God sent not his  
Son into the world to  
condemn the world;  
but that the world  
through him might be  
saved.*

**John 3:17**

# Prayers and Praises to God

Do you have prayer requests or do you want to give our Lord the praise he deserves, for an answered prayer? Please contact us.  
(Contact Info is on Page. 3)

It is also important that we receive updates on any prayer requests. If we have not received an update within 30days of posting the prayer request, we will remove them from the list believing that their prayers have been answered.

## NEW PRAISES TO GOD

**Oliver Jones has entered into rest.**

**Leonard Lukenbill has entered into rest.**

**Linda Russell has entered into rest.**

**Judie McCallum** has entered into rest.

## NEWEST PRAYERS AND UPDATES:

**Bonnie Chrisman** has planter fasciitis in her right foot.

**Beverly Waylon** has a malignant tumor behind her eye.

**Pat Cooper** is having some problems with her heart getting proper blood flow. She recently had stints put in.

**Shirley Nicholas** is still having a lot of back pain.

**Ella Childs** was having severe pain from pancreatitis. She is home recovering. She is improving, but still has rough days.

**Katherine Ogwen's** husband has ulcerative colitis.

**Norman Curran** is presently in the Autumn Oaks Caring Center in Mountain Grove, Mo. due to a fall he took at home.

**Marlene Brown** is having pain in her left shoulder and neck.

**Kate Forester** is having ankle and leg pain.

**Nancy Miles** needs surgery for hiatal hernia.

**Tim Hicks** is having a lot of back pain and is not sleeping well.

**Cosden Foland** needs prayers for his eye to be healed.

**Autumn Wilkins** is in need of a job that will allow her to keep the Sabbath and Holy days.

**Ann Gieselman** is having a lot of leg and knee pain.

**Daniel Baum** has Covid-19 and is doing better now.

**Bob Theimer's** blood clot has reduced, but his heart is enlarged on the right side.

**Gary Gibeson** has cancer of the liver. When the doctors did surgery they found sever liver disease and another small tumor. They had to burn the tumors instead of removing them.

**Billy Porter** was in a major car accident along with his pregnant wife and two children. They all suffered some injuries.

**Kevin Wright** is fighting for his life and has been diagnosed with congestive heart failure.

**Rachel Bollig** still has breathing problems.

**Carolyn Unnewehr** is still in a healthcare facility. Needs prayers for healing and strength.

**Tonya Obrien** has lymphoma cancer. She saw the doctor on the 20th to decide what to do.

**Neil Meyers** has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer.

**Kristen Hocker** she is still unable to walk Update: Her dad is helping her and needs prayers. They are both very positive about her fully recovering.

**Barbara Chase** is having sever pain in her hip and leg.

**Roy Marlin** has cancer.

**Gerry Marlin** is recovering from a stroke.

**Kimberly Edwards** has wounds appearing on her legs from unknown cause.

## **Psalm 42:8**

*Yet the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life.*



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**When: Every Sabbath**

**Call : 1-712-832-8330 Conference Code : 4623707#**

**Greetings & Fellowship 11:00—11:25 AM**

**Service begins promptly at 11:30 AM**

*( This is a toll call, unless you have unlimited long distance, use a cell phone, or use a calling card. )*



**JOIN US FOR A JOINT (OPEN FORUM)BIBLE STUDY EVERY FRIDAY EVENING AT 7 P.M.**

**Working together to spread the gospel of Jesus, the Christ**

**Keeping the Faith in These Troubled Times**

*By Stephen Hicks*

If you have not noticed, we are heading into some very troubling times in our country after enjoying years of peace and prosperity. Ancient Israel had the same blessings of God upon them when they entered the Promised Land, but they chose not to serve the Lord and went about doing what seemed right in their own eyes.

Deuteronomy 32:15-25 *“But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered with fatness; then he forsook God which made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.”* **This verse could easily read that the United States waxed fat and forgot the God that made him.**

*Verse 16 “They provoked him to jealousy with strange gods, with abominations provoked they him to*

*anger.”* **This nation calls on different sports gods, different pagan holiday gods and goddesses, and even a goddess called, “mother nature,” who supposedly controls all forms of weather around us. These are just a few of the different false gods that man pays tribute to in some form or another.**

*Verse 17 “They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.”* **Man continues to bow down to the false gods that they have created to serve, rather than to serve the One True God who created them.**

*Verse 18 “Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee.”* **Most of our nation does not want God controlling their lives. They have pushed Him out of the schools and out of many areas of government. And this is only the beginning. Many are trying to eliminate religious freedoms. (Continued on Page 4.)**

(Keeping the Faith, Continued from Page 3.) **It looks like they will do it under the disguise of laws against hatred and discrimination. Because God's people will speak out against the sins of the people, it will be considered a crime of hate.**

*Verse 19-20 "And when the LORD saw it, he abhorred them, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters. And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end shall be: for they are a very froward generation, children in whom is no faith."* **Faith is dying out in this country and even many of God's people have returned to the world. Just like in the days of Noah, many of God's people were leaving the worship of the Lord to follow their own lusts and desires. I believe that after the Supreme Court voted to legalize same sex marriages, that God turned His face from this nation. Not away from His children, but away from those who do not want to serve Him. Since that vote was made the disasters upon this nation have increased and will continue to grow until man repents. Without God's protection around this nation, we are subject to the prince and power of this world.**

*Verse 21 "They have moved me to jealousy with that which is not God; they have provoked me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to jealousy with those which are not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation."* **The President is reopening the borders and stopping the building of the border wall which will allow terrorists to enter our country freely. Many has and is despising God's blessing so He will turn it over to strangers.**

**He is also allowing people who have only their own selfish desires in mind to get a foothold in this country. These people are not after equal rights but are desiring more than their fair share of benefits. Many politicians are bowing to their pressure and they will continue to give them what they want.**

*Verse 22 "For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains. I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them. They shall be burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust."* **When man angers God enough that He is forced to turn His face from us, then they face the results of their sins. Until there is repentance disasters causing death and destruction will continue, more disease and (Continued on Page 9.)**

## Nigeria Churches of God



Pastor Solomon & wife Joy



Pastor Ezekiel & wife

Dear Pastor Hicks,

Thank you for your love and prayers. We also thank God for His love. The cost of building materials here is very high in Nigeria. I know it is hard everywhere but please whatever amount you have you can send to us for the building. Because it has been long we don't attend our Sabbath service because we don't have money to pay for the rent. Thank you. I am your brother and the servant of the Lord. Pastor Solomon Emmanuel

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Dear Pastor Stephen,

We thank you for your love and we still want you to help us. Though it is hard everywhere we still want you to help us with any funds that you have, because the government has given us a date for completion. If not, they will demolish our building and it will be a total loss for us and Pastor Solomon is greatly worried about this ugly information from the government. Thank you dear Pastor. I am Pastor Ezekiel.

**NOTE:** *We don't have any extra funds to help them with at this time. We do not want to see them lose the building, but it is in God's hands now. If anyone would like to help, it will be appreciated.*

*Sabbath*

# SABBATH SERVICES

## February 2021

*Remember the  
Sabbath day and  
keep it holy.*

*Exodus 20:8*

### **KC Church of God Ministries**

#### **\*\*\*February 6th, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

This is a joint service, See Page 3 for info.

**Hicks Residence 816-380-7821**

Meal after bible study

#### **\*\*\*February 13th, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

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**Proffitt Residence 816-776-2699**

Meal after bible study

#### **\*\*\*February 20th, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

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**Proffitt Residence 816-776-2699**

Meal after bible study

Times & Locations are subject to change. We will do our best to contact you of these changes, but please call us before travelling.

### **Harrisburg, IL Church of God**

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# JUST FOR FUN

The puzzle of the month will be a mix of easy, fairly easy, hard, which may or may not be challenging. Please don't be discouraged if you don't know some of the answers, just challenge yourself to learn. All answers will be published in the next month's newsletter. Hope you enjoy!

## *Answers to Last Months Puzzle*

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|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Luke 6:13            | 1. How long was Solomon the king of Israel?                                                   |
| 2. Luke 2:8-17          | 2. In the sermon on the Mount, what did Jesus say would happen to the meek?                   |
| 3. Exodus               | 3. Into what did Jesus say the merchants had turned his house of prayer?                      |
| 4. 1 Samuel<br>17:12-15 | 4. What relation was Annas to Caiaphas?                                                       |
| 5. Genesis              | 5. What was the first plague on Egypt?                                                        |
| 6. Matthew              | 6. "He leadeth me besides still waters" is apart of what psalm?                               |
| 7. 1 Samuel<br>17:48-50 | 7. Who, full of good works and acts of charity, was raised from the dead by Peter?            |
| 8. Matthew 3:1          | 8. According to James, what is the pure and undefiled religion?                               |
| 9. Matthew 27:37        | 9. How many churches were there in Asia Minor in Revelation?                                  |
| 10. Luke 2:7            | 10. In the new Jereusalem, where are the names of the twelve tribes written?                  |
| 11. James 2:21-22       | 11. In the parable of the ten virgins, what were they waiting for?                            |
| 12. Matthew 1:22-25     | 12. What did Daniel do for Nebuchadnezzar that no one else could do?                          |
| 13. Genesis 7:12        | 13. When people brought their young children to Jesus, what did the disciples do?             |
| 14. Exodus 2:3          | 14. Where did Moses meet his future wife for the very first time?                             |
| 15. Jonah 1:17          | 15. Who wrote the majority of the book of psalms?                                             |
| 16. Ruth 1:4            | 16. Of the ten lepers Jesus healed, what nationality was the one who returned to give thanks? |
| 17. Matthew 1:18-19     | 17. What occurred to facilitate the release of Paul and Silas from prison?                    |
| 18. Psalms              | 18. What did Gideon place on the floor in order to receive a sign from God?                   |
| 19. Matthew 8:32        | 19. In Revelation, what was on the head of the woman clothed with the sun?                    |
| 20. Psalm 23:1          | 20. At what time during their prison stay did Paul and Silas pray and sing to God?            |

# OUTREACH MINISTRIES CHURCH OF GOD, PHILIPPINES



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In a letter from Pastor Nestor, dated October 27th, he wrote, “ *Praise the Lord. Love and greetings from all of us here in the Philippines in the wonderful and matchless name of Jesus, the Christ, our Lord and loving Savior. Hope you are all fine and blessed richly by our Heavenly Father and keep you all safe. Amen. Hallelujah!! The gospel and mission work here continues despite of the pandemic caused by the Corona Virus. The Lord blessed our visitations, home bible studies, and street preaching. All of our church brethren are staying strong and faithful and so excited for the woon coming of the Lord. Hallelujah. To God be the glory. Our church building in Hilltop is now 50% completed and the brethren stay strong in the Lord and faithful. Beloved Stephen and Teresa and all, thank you so much for all your prayers and support. God bless you all and God bless America. We keep you all in our thoughts and prayers. We love you. Sincerely yours in Christ, your brother and sister and fellow servants, Nestor and Edith.* ” **Below are photos from the 20th Church of God Anniversary from last March.**

**NOTE:** Mail appears to have been disrupted by the typhoon that passed through last year. This would explain why we have just received the letter mailed in October. We are still not sure if Pastor Nestor has received all of the packages we have mailed to him over the last several months. We hope and pray to here from him soon.



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Pastor Martin has notified us that the rent on many of the structures in Kenya are going up. The new owner has threatened to tear down the structures if the rent is not paid. We are waiting to hear what is going to happen. The Uganda churches are still unable to travel due to the violence in their country.

Food prices continue to rise meaning that they get less food for the amount of funds we can send them.

Feast photos are shown below. On the right Pastor Martin when he visited the Uganda church. Please continue to pray for all of the churches overseas.





(Keeping the Faith, Continued from Page 4.)

**starvation will come and mankind will die from animal attacks and snake bites. Wildlife and reptiles are being pushed out of their habitat and are moving into populated areas.**

*Verse 25 "The sword without, and terror within, shall destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling also with the man of gray hairs."* **The President just signed an executive order to allow transexuals to serve openly in the military. I am one who believes that this will bring a curse upon our military and will weaken it. The time of the U.S. being the strongest military force in the world is coming to an end. Nations are losing their fear and respect for us and will soon begin to challenge our forces around the world. Without God's blessings we will run from our enemies.**

*Leviticus 26:17 "And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you."*

Sadly, man will choose not to repent and will continue in their rebellion against the Lord and will continue to reap the results of that sin.

*Leviticus 26:14-16 "But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant: I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it."*

We are headed into a time of great troubles.

The spirit of antichrist is growing stronger within our government and nation. There is a lot of hatred driving decisions being made by politicians. It is a battle between light and darkness as Satan and his demons are fighting against the Lord and His people.

As God's children we will face great persecution in the near future. Our faith and trust in God will be challenged like never before.

What or who have you put your faith and trust in? Are you trusting the government with your life or is your trust in the Lord above? If you can't trust and serve Him now when things are good, what will you do when times get hard?

God will take care of His children. But you must trust Him with your whole life, having faith that He will provide all your needs, no matter how bad things

around you get.

*Matthew 6:30-34 "Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."*

We need to believe that He will take care of us. It takes great faith. We need to seek His wisdom and understanding, learning how to walk according to His will. If we can put His will above everything else in our lives, then there will be nothing we won't be able to do in His name. And we won't have to worry about anything that might happen to us.

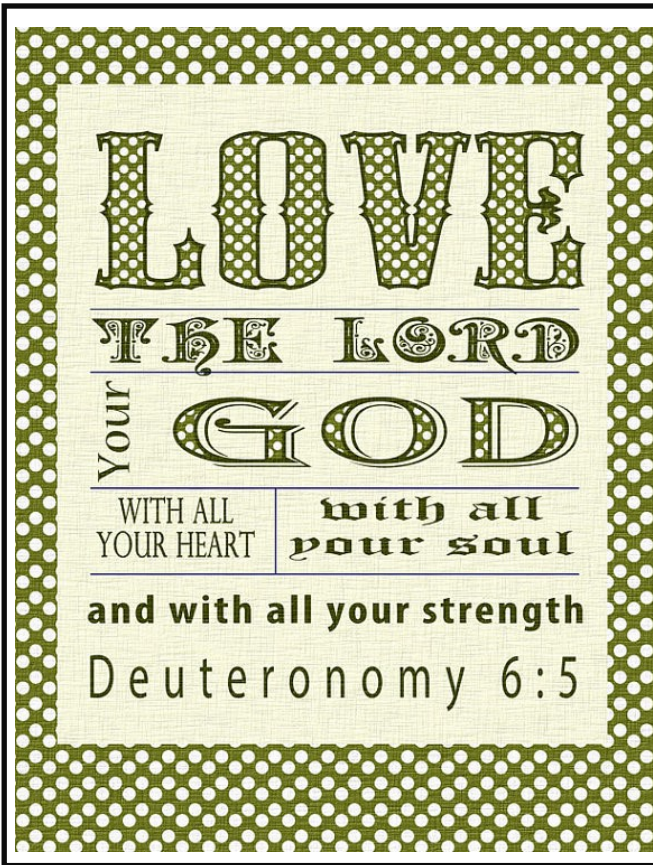
There's a story in the bible that makes me think about how important it is to trust in Him when there are storms around us.

*Mark 4:35-40 "And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side. And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships. And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full. And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?"*

We will face great storms in our lives and the wind and the waves of the world will beat against us and it will feel like we are sinking with no hope of relief at times. Jesus was there in that sinking ship with them just like He is always with us, even in times when life seems hopeless. And during those times He is asking us, "What are you afraid of? Where is your faith?"

We have His promise to always be with us. *Matthew 28:20 "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."*

But we must believe Him. Take time to build your faith by getting to know Him through study of His Word and through prayer. (Continued on Last Page.)



**(Keeping the Faith, Continued from Page 9.)** This world is full of troubles and trials, but our Lord has been through them and has overcome. 1 John 4:1-4 *“Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come: and even now already is it in the world. Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.”* END

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