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CHURCH OF GOD NEWSLETTER

## God's Holy Days 2021

Passover \*

March 27th

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.

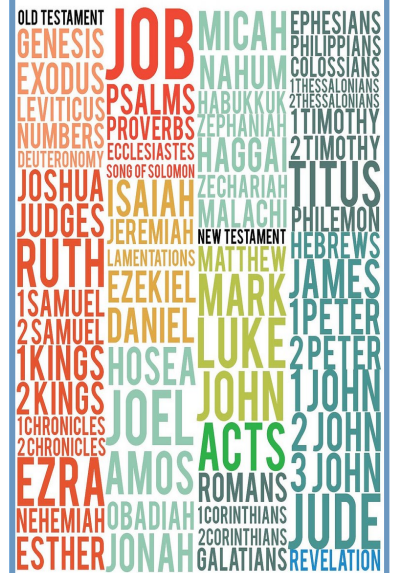
John 13:34-35

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 30 days of posting the prayer request, we will remove them from the list believing that their prayers have been answered.

## NEW PRAISES TO GOD

**Connie Griffith** is back home.

**Billy Porter** was in a car accident along with his wife and two children. They all suffered some injuries. Due to not receiving any updates, we are believing that all things are fine with them now.

**Kimberly Edwards** had wounds appearing on her legs from unknown cause. She is doing well now.

**Betty Andreas** entered into rest. Pray for family.

## NEWEST PRAYERS AND UPDATES:

**Herbert Devin** had a pacemaker put in. He is doing much better, but is struggling with sinus congestion which affects his sleep.

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

**Ella Childs** has cancer in her pancreas. She is home, and having to take pain meds due to the severity of the pain.

**Katherine Ogwen's** husband has ulcerative colitis. She recently had carpal tunnel surgery on both hands.

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

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

**Bill Gossett** is in final stages of prostate cancer. They have called hospice in for him.

**Autumn Wilkins** She has a job, but needs to find a place to park her RV before.

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

**Rachel Bollig** is still having breathing problems. She is living with her family at this time.

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

**Tonya O'Brien** 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 recovering process.

**Barbara Chase** has lost strength in her legs and has trouble walking. She is getting therapy 3 times a week.

**Roy Marlin** is still fighting cancer.

**Gerry Marlin** is in a nursing home recovering from a stroke which has caused dementia.

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

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

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

**Kate Forester** was having chest pain. She is doing better after getting treatment.

**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.

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

**Minnie Mendez** has Covid-19 and is in very serious condition.

## **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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**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**

**Is Today's Christianity the Way of Christ?**

By Stephen Hicks

Have you ever been asked, "Are you a Christian?" I'm sure that most of us have.

Today, when I am asked this, I feel a bit uncomfortable. The reason why is due to the fact that the Christianity we see today is very tainted with ungodly traditions and rituals that are quite the opposite of the Way that Christ taught.

The Way of God has been taught from before the creation of the heavens and earth that we read in Genesis, chapter 1 of the bible. Satan and a third of the angels were cast down because they violated the Way of God.

Adam and Eve were cast out of the garden because they violated the same Way.

God destroyed the world with a flood because they

stopped walking in His Way.

Genesis 6:11-12 *"The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth."*

Noah and his family were saved because he chose to walk in the Way of God.

The Lord said that Abraham walked in the Way. Genesis 18:18-19 *"Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him."*

So, what is this Way that I am writing to you about?  
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Dear Pastor Hicks,

We thank God, for he is our God, and we totally depend on Him for our good and His love. We solely depend on Him for all.

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where He prayed." Mark 1:35

Jesus lived His life in total dependence on His Father and the Holy Spirit who guided and empowered Him for miracles and strength to complete His mission on earth. "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how He went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with Him."

He kept His mission always before Him and the people. As a boy of twelve, Jesus said to His mother: "I must be about My Father's business." Luke 2:49. He said to His disciples, "I must work the works of Him who sent me." John 9:4. "My food is to do the will of Him who sent me, and to finish His work." John 4:34. He lived to please His Heavenly Father.

His times were in His Father's hands. He prayed: "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you." John 17:1. He was preparing Himself for the darkest hour of His life - the cross.

As a man, He struggled with the thought of bearing the sins of the world when He was without sin; With the pain of being forsaken as He slumped helplessly on the cross, He prayed for fresh glory for the inevitable. He would go through it alone and He would be alone among the people.

Jesus depended on His Father through all the seasons of His life. He drew glory from His Father and Power from the Holy Spirit. If Jesus needed constant direction, strength, power, and glory in all the seasons of His life, then so do we. If Jesus needed daily empowerment for all His duties, then so do we. David says, "In the morning, O LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation." Psalm 5:3.

Let us look to God every day in prayer for guidance and strength in every way.

Thank you.

I am your brother and a servant of the lord.

Pastor Solomon Emmanuel

## Nigeria Churches of God



Pastor Solomon & wife Joy



Pastor Ezekiel & wife



Pastor Solomon with his wife and daughters.



Nigerian Church of God members.

*Sabbath*

# SABBATH SERVICES

*Remember the  
Sabbath day and  
keep it holy.*

## May 2021

*Exodus 20:8*

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

#### **\*\*\*May 1st, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

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

**Hicks Residence 816-380-7821**

Meal after bible study

#### **\*\*\*May 8th, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

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

**Proffitt Residence 816-776-2699**

Meal after bible study

#### **\*\*\*May 15th, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

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#### **\*\*\*May 16th, Feast of first fruits/ Pentecost Service 11:30 AM**

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#### **\*\*\*May 22nd, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

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#### **\*\*\*May 29th, Sabbath Service 11:30 AM**

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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. Job 2:9                                 | 1. What question was Jesus answering when He told the parable of the good Samaritan?                         |
| 2. Genesis 11:31                           | 2. Who did the five foolish virgins ask for oil for their lamps?   |
| 3. Leviticus 10:1-2                        | 3. What did the parable of the vineyard owner teach about Jesus?   |
| 4. Genesis 5:22-29                         | 4. What parable taught that God will avenge His elect?   |
| 5. Esther 2:7                              | 5. What parable did Jesus give following the parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin?                   |
| 6. Judges 3:9                              | 6. To whom does Jesus compare someone who does not give up everything to be His disciple?                    |
| 7. Exodus 18:1-2                           | 7. Which parable includes "God be merciful to me a sinner"?  |
| 8. 2 Samuel 9:6                            | 8. What did the merchant do when he found the pearl of great price?  |
| 9. 1 Kings 19:1-2                          | 9. What parable illustrates how God feels about those who don't forgive others?                              |
| 10. Matthew 4:21-22                        | 10. How does the parable of the talents differ numerically from the parable of the denarii?                  |
| 11. Genesis 24:29                          | 11. What prophet told an adulterous king the parable of the man with one ewe lamb?                           |
| 12. Ruth 4:17                              | 12. What did Isaiah's parable of the vineyard say about Israel?  |
| 13. Genesis 12:11-13;<br>20:1-3; 26:7-11   | 13. What Parable included the concept "eat, drink, and be merry"?  |
| 14. Exodus 18                              | 14. Under what two places did Jesus say that a lamp should not be put under?                                 |
| 15. 1 Chronicles 2:12-16;<br>1 Samuel 26:6 | 15. How many soils are described in the parable of the sower?  |
| 16. Isaiah 8:3                             | 16. What three hazards befell the seeds in Jesus' parable of the sower?                                      |
| 17. Ruth 1:2                               | 17. What parable illustrates the principle that no man can serve two masters?                                |
| 18. 1 Samuel 18:27;<br>30:5                | 18. Where was the man who was robbed going in the parable of the good Samaritan, and from where had he come? |
| 19. 1 Samuel 8:3                           | 19. What parable teaches that being rich doesn't automatically get you into heaven?                          |
| 20. Matthew 1:5                            | 20. What parable ends with "wailing and gnashing of teeth"?  |

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In his letter dated, February 22nd, Pastor Nestor wrote, “Love and joyful greetings to all our church family there in K.C. Church of God Ministries, in the name of Jesus, the Christ, our Lord and Savior. Hope you are all fine and in the best of health and the Lord bless you all richly and keep you safe as you do the work for the Lord. We have received your letters of November and December 1st only last Friday, February 19th with the check for \$300, both letters with the newsletters and DVD’s. Thank you so much. We appreciate it so greatly. God bless you all abundantly in return. Your mail is reaching here about 3 months after you send it. Thank God our communication is still going on. Our place was hit by typhoon Auring, but thanks to God we are all safe. Despite the many obstacles and hardships the Lord continues to work with us and keeps us from all harm. The work continues and our churches continue growing and the brethren are so faithful and stand strong in the Lord, especially in this time of pandemics, and only God who made the heavens and the earth can save us. I was satisfied and feel the comfort of your answer to my question concerning the end times. Thank you so much. We are busy in the Lord’s work and preparing for our 21st church thanksgiving anniversary this coming March 6th. We need your prayers. Beloved Stephen and Teresa and all, thank you so much for all your prayers and support. God knows everything. Keep you all in our thoughts and prayers. We love you. God bless you and God bless America. Your faithful brother and sister and fellow servants. Nestor and Edith.”

In an earlier letter, Pastor Nestor said that because of the pandemic and disasters, it is hard for them to travel to Cebu, so they use the mobile phones and video calls to stay in touch. Church activities there remain the same and people at this time are seeking the Lord and our church is increasing in attendance and continue growing. Cebu church has many new converts according to Pastor Nelson Jabonita. Hilltop Carmen have added a few people and Nestor is there every Wednesday for a prayer meeting and bible study.

**Note:** The Philippine Islands were hit by another typhoon just this last week. Prayers are definitely needed.

Children sing praise songs.



Jamine sings praises while her parents accompany her.



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Pastor Martin and the other ministers in Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania are still struggling to buy enough food for the orphans that they provide for. President Kenyatta continues to oppress the people by raising the prices on food. We send them what we can each month, but it is not enough to get them through the entire month. Please continue to pray for their needs that God will provide. Below are photos of a recent funeral for Dorothy Awino Ouma. Please pray for her husband Pastor William Ochido and their family.

## More pictures from the Feast of Tabernacles





**(Is Today's Christianity the Way of Christ?, Continued from Page 3.)**

Luke 4:4 *"And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God."*

Deuteronomy 6:4-7 *"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up."*

We are to walk in the Way of Christ, as He walked in the Way of God.

Deuteronomy 11:26-28 *"Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day: And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known."*

That is what God told Israel to do, but they refused, even knowing the results of disobedience.

Deuteronomy 9:16 *"And I looked, and, behold, ye had sinned against the LORD your God, and had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the LORD had commanded you."*

Jesus came to save us and guide us back into the Way of God by showing us how we should live.

John 14:6 *"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."*

Luke 20:21 *"And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly, neither acceptest thou the person of any, but teachest the way of God truly:"*

Before Jesus ascended back into heaven, He gave His disciples a commission to preach the gospel. To do this, they would need to continue in the way He walked and taught. They, along with many others, who would be converted, continued walking in the Way of Jesus.

A man by the name of Saul, who would later become known as Paul, would actually persecute those walking in and teaching the Way of Christ. Acts 22:4 *"And I persecuted this way unto the death, binding*

*and delivering into prisons both men and women."*

Acts 9:1-2 *"And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem."*

On his way to Damascus, the Lord stopped him and changed his life, calling Paul to be a servant and teaching him how to walk in His Way.

Paul walked in the Way and taught others to do the same. Acts 24:14 *"But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:"*

The title of "Christian," was first given to the disciples in Antioch. Acts 11:25-26 *"Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul: And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch."*

This title didn't come from the disciples of Christ. It is what the heathen people called them, because they followed Jesus.

Many people who say that they are Christians, do not walk in the Way of Christ. There are not only false Christians in the world, but also in the Church of God. Yes, there are false prophets, teachers and brethren in the family of God. 2 Peter 2:1-2 *"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of."*

If you follow after these false Christians, then you are heading for a fall.

Malachi 2:7-8 *"For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts. But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts."*

The title of Christian became corrupted when those calling themselves so began to introduce false doctrines and ideas into the Way of God, working to change the Ways of God into something to fit their own lusts and desires.

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**(Is Today's Christianity the Way of Christ, Continued from Page 9.)** Constantine made Christianity the official religion of Rome, he wasn't accepting the Ways of Christ. He began immediately to adopt changes that fit his ideas of what a Christian should be. Over time the Roman Catholic church took the title of Christian and used it to torture and kill in the name of God. Read about the crusades and the inquisitions if you don't believe what I am saying. The leaders of this fake Christianity began adopting pagan customs and rituals of peoples that they couldn't force to convert.

In time, the Protestant movement happened, as these leaders began their form of Christianity, breaking away from the Roman Catholic church and all of their false teachings and authority. The problem is that those breaking away took many of the pagan customs with them and these filtered into most of the churches coming out of Catholicism.

The false Christianity that began in the days of the disciples continues to this day. Most people calling themselves Christians do not walk in The Way of Christ. They are sincere in their beliefs to the best of their understanding, but is it enough to keep some of the commandments of God, but not keep them all? James 2:10 *"For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all."*

*John 14:15-17 "If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."*

There is not enough space in this newsletter to cover all of the evidence. But I believe I have given you enough to see how what is called Christianity today is not a complete reflection of the Way of God that Jesus lived and taught. When asked, I will say that I am a disciple of Christ and let those who ask think what they want. END

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