

MEETING TIMES

SUNDAY SCHOOL	10AM
SUNDAY ASSEMBLY	11AM
SUNDAY NIGHT ASSEMBLY	6PM
WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY	7PM



Happenings !!

- 4/7 Sandwiches and Salads
- 4/12 Mens Fellowship w/ Chuck Doughty
- 4/13 C. Doughty "Romans" seminar
- 4/21 9am Breakfast

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We Believe What The Bible Says:

The Word of God teaches that His Righteous Judgment will come upon the earth and all things will be destroyed.

"The Day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be burned up"
2Peter3:10

"Except a man be BORN AGAIN, he cannot see the Kingdom of God." John3:5

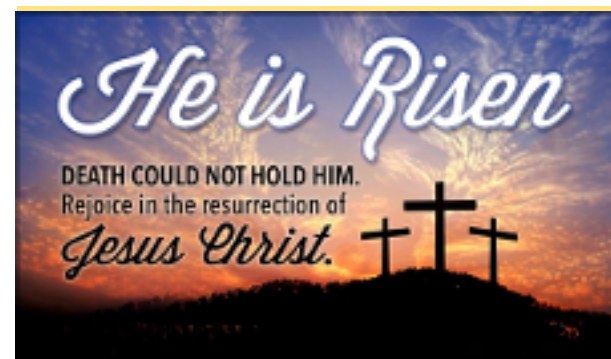
"He who has BELIEVED and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned." Mark16:16

"I tell you no, but unless you REPENT, you will all likewise perish." Luke13:3

"Everyone therefore who shall CONFESS Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in Heaven." Matthew10:32

"Peter replied,'Repent, and let each of you be BAPTIZED in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts2:38

"He who REJECTS me and does not receive my sayings, has one who judges him; the WORD I spoke is what will judge him at the last day." John12:48



April



OLD PATHS CHURCH OF CHRIST



THUS SAYS THE LORD, "STAND BY THE WAYS AND SEE AND ASK FOR THE OLD PATHS, WHERE THE GOOD WAY IS, AND WALK IN IT; AND YOU SHALL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS"

JEREMIAH 6:16

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LET ME BE FRANK

Bridging Forces

Recently I had the privilege of accompanying a group of school children on a field trip to a local education outreach program. The instructor had a great lesson on "The Forces of Bridges". She began with a slide presentation showing diagrams of the different parts of bridges focusing on the types of "stress" each one endures. Many pictures of actual bridges from around the world and local were then compared. The children asked questions and were very respectful. (The youngest ones especially liked the little carpet squares they sat on) The students then followed directions and built a small bridge using the plastic pieces given in a ziplock bag. The teacher made certain that all the pieces were properly *inventoried* and put back. Moving into a larger room the students then used their creativity based on the lessons learned, and built their own bridges out of paper, popsicle sticks and straws. These bridges were then tested to determine the weight it could hold on the road bed. All the bridges passed with flying colors! Well done children!!!

This engaging activity, while revealing the forces that act upon bridges, also reminds us of the stresses wearing down upon each human life. Physics identifies *tension*, *torsion*, *compression* and *shearing* as four major stress forces. Torsion is the twisting force similar to wringing out a towel or the feeling of ones stomach "in knots".

The word of God can also be twisted, or changed even slightly, to mean something other than the truth. Shearing is the force that cuts, like pruning a branch from a tree, Goliaths head from his neck, or the wicked being cut off from the love of God. Tension is the force that pulls things apart, like a new cloth from an old cloth after being sewn together, or the force that pulls family bonds apart. Compression crushes things. The heavy weight of a steel bridge pushing down on the *abutments* require deep foundations to support this tremendous force. People deal with the heaviness of sin, frustration, guilt and disappointment constantly crushing down upon their spirits. Without the strong foundation of Jesus in our lives we would crumble and our lives reduced to rubble. Praise God our Father, that we have been counted worthy of His love and His help. He desires for His children to be at peace and to stand firm performing the work we were built up for. When we fully rely on Him through His word and by faith in His Son, Jesus, we learn to use the stress life puts on us for good, because we love the Father.

God provides us the instructions to follow, and the help we need to build holy lives, Godly families and His glorious church. This process began with the cross of Christ which bridged the chasm, the great divide, that separated man from God. Only those who believe and obey His word can cross over from sin to glory and righteousness. This bridge, however, is temporary and will be destroyed along with the forces of darkness. On that "day of the Lord" His children will dwell with Him forever on the other side.



Prayer List

Bill/Doris Sherry Bunny Paul
 Bernie/Dan Youths Missionaries
 Discipling Opportunities DCSC USA

LORD'S SUPPER MEDITATION LIST

AM

PM

4/7/19	FRANK GOEHRINGER	ROLANDO RODRIGUEZ
4/14/19	FRANK GOEHRINGER	MARK ROGERS
4/21/19	FRANK GOEHRINGER	JASON JANJANIN
4/28/19	GREGG WHALEY	MIKE LONG

Nursery

4/7 Marleni Maribel Elise Kayla
 4/14 Regina Zoveda John Kayla
 4/21 Ruth Ann Kristy Zoe Janell
 4/28 Doris Kate Sara Janell

MONTHLY GROUPS

YOUTH GROUP AGES 5-12 EVERY THIRD FRIDAY AT 6PM . DINNER INCLUDED !!
 TEEN GROUP AGES 13-18 QUARTERLY AS ANNOUNCED
 COMFORT GROUP - EVERY WEDNESDAY 10:30 LUNCH PROVIDED
 GIRLS OF GRACE - ONCE PER MONTH
 PATHFINDERS - ONCE PER MONTH