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Giving All

What do you do when you are asked to give it all? That kind of extreme sacrifice certainly tests one's faith and commitment, and the Bible gives us examples of those who failed that test as well as those who passed it. When instructed by Jesus to give away all that he had in order to have eternal life, the rich young ruler walked away, unwilling to give it all (Matthew 19). When given the opportunity to make a generous and sacrificial gift to the church, Ananias and Sapphira decided to give only a portion of that gift instead of giving all (Acts 5). On the other hand, when asked to give his all in the form of his only son Isaac, Abraham did as God commanded, willing to give his all (Genesis 22). When an unnamed widow was asked to provide food for the prophet Elijah during an oppressive drought, she gave her last morsel of food to him (1 Kings 17). When a poor widow came to give her offering to the Lord, Jesus points her out to His disciples, revealing that she had given all that she had (Mark 12).

You and I may not be in the position of being asked to literally giving all that we have physically for the cause of Christ, but when it comes to the living of our lives and the devotion of our hearts, we are absolutely asked to give God our all. "Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:24-26). We are taught to love God with "all" of our heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30) and to give our bodies to God as a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1). As we live our lives, we are called to do all that we do to the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31). You see, when it comes to our hearts and the devotion of our lives, God wants and demands nothing short of our all. But, don't forget that in return for our all, God has given us His all and promises us every spiritual blessing in Christ. So, to repeat the question, what do you do when you are asked to give it all?

Rusty

Welcome, Guests

We are honored that you have chosen to visit with us today! Our time of worship together on the Lord's Day is one of the highlights of each week and we are thrilled to be able to share this special time with you.

As we worship, our desire is to do so according to the New Testament pattern and in a way that is pleasing and acceptable to God. It is also our prayer that our time together is uplifting to those who are here including you, our guests. If you have any questions about anything that you see or hear today, please feel free to ask. We would love to speak with you about those things and help you in any way that we can.



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YOUTH NEWS

Children's Ministry (Little Lights-6th Grade)		Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)		Lads to Leaders		
August 23	Service Project	Every Wednes	sday	Hang Time	August 26	L2L Work Day (2:00—4:30)
August 25	CM Devo & Bike Night	Every Monday	ý	M4 (7:00)		``````````````````````````````````````
	-	August 11		Purity Day est Huntsville	The	me for 2019:
Stay tuned for more details on these events.		August 18	Walls	of Jericho	(E	IAM (xodus 3:14)
		August 19	Youth	Devotional	L2L	Convention:
		August 31	5th Qu	larter	Apri	1 18-21, 2019

Stay tuned for more details on these events or see Joel Heady, Wes McDonald, or Stephen Trammell for more information.

Outreach News—Pat Cowden

I am so excited about the baptism of Shari Wharton! Why? Because, it shows that having and developing relationships with people works as a strategy to reach the lost. Shari had been visiting Chase Park for quite awhile because of Joy being a member here. She stayed because we are a welcoming family and because she became engaged in good ladies Bible classes and wanted to know more. When Claudette asked her if she wanted to study the Bible, she said yes. After that it is just a matter of showing what the Bible says and letting a person make up their own mind. No pressure, just being welcoming, kind, and interested in people is what will make the most difference. And then, when someone does show a good heart and real interest, we must be prepared to follow through and help them find the truth that will set them free (John 8:32).

This conversion is also important because there were many people involved in a variety of ways. Sometimes we get the idea that just one person or at the most two or three are involved with a person's conversion. This was definitely not the case with Shari, in addition to Maria and Janet England, I cannot even begin to tell you how many of you influenced her for good through this process, and for that I thank you. Truly we, as Christians, plant and water, and God gives the increase (I Corinthians 3:7).

Evangelism challenge:

There are searchers living all around us. People who would listen if we gave them a chance to listen. Pray for opportunities to bring up spiritual conversations with folks you see on a regular basis. And then, when the opportunity arises, ask them to services or if they would be interested in studying the Bible with you. I am pretty sure we could find someone to assist you (hint- pick me, pick me!). Of course it does not have to be me, we have others that would also love to assist.

Remember, I love you in the Lord and want to go to heaven with you.



News Of Interest

<u>Sick</u>

<u>Home</u>: Pat Cowden, Don Champion, Linda Bramblett.

Bridal Shower

Come-and-go bridal shower honoring Amanda Wells (daughter of Darryl Wells), bride-elect of Jacob Patterson, today, 1:30—3:30 p.m., fellowship hall.

Balance Class

Tues., Aug. 7; Thurs., Aug. 9; 1:30 p.m.

Pantry Item

Canned meats (any kind)

Today and Upcoming at Chase Park

Family Care Meeting

H and I meet today for potluck lunch. H Leaders: Jennings, Lambrecht, McCall; I Leaders: Adams, Peacock, Pond. Visitors are invited. A and J meet Sunday, August 12. A Leaders: McDonald, Row, Trammell; J Leader: Cothren.

Regency Retirement Service

Today: 1:30 p.m. Speaker: **Michael Sims** Song Leader: **Michael Sims**

Worship Participants

SUNDAY AM AUGUST 12, 2018			
READING	Justin Gransky		
F PRAYER	John Denney		
LS PRAYER	Greg Cothren		
C PRAYER	Ray Brown		

SUNDAY PM AUGUST 12, 2018

READING	Anderson Todd
F PRAYER	Keith Griffin
C PRAYER	Dave Clark

Thank You

"To all the friends at Chase Park. A big thank you for all the acts of kindness shown me during this very troubling time I've experienced these past months. I never thought I'd be so dependent on others to care for me and what a good job of it they've done-my daughter, Danette, just went back home but Shannon and children are still here. Family is such a blessing! It is that Shannon is free to be here. I only hope my strength soon returns. I've not experienced such a rough time-ever. Shannon needs to get back to her home. The cards, calls, and food have been appreciated by us. It is nice to be able to be on the patio and enjoy some fresh air (!!) and sunshine. I need to get back to my sewing too. I just sit, sit, and sit. I miss coming to Super Seniors and worship but I just need to regain my strength. My regards to all at Chase Park. I take so many pills that one should be special. In Christian love," Mabel Albright

Hospital Visitation

Team **#1** (Atchley), please pick up your assignments today after p.m. service.

Super Seniors

Wednesday, August 8. No lunch.

Girls' Work Night

Friday, August 10, 5:00 p.m., kitchen/dining room. Will prepare freezer meals. For more information, please see **Erica Karraker**.

Thank You

"Thank you, the church and its members at Chase Park for the flowers, many prayers and cards sent to our family during our mother, Louell Maples passing. The flowers were beautiful and your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated."

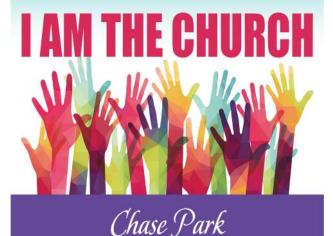
> Mike and Cathy Maples Martha and Dave Stanbrough Lou and Al Jackson

"Thanks to our Chase Park family for the continual flow of prayers, calls, cards, food, and visits from our brothers and sisters in Christ. I sincerely need that encouragement and inspiration very often since I can't go anywhere except to my doctors' visits, etc. Bobby and I both are pleasantly surprised and pleased with this encouragement. Thanks again for your showing of love and care"

Lena Rosenblum

Focus For JULY - AUGUST

1 Am An Ambassador Jos Christ



CHURCH of CHRIST

Wednesday Night Summer Series

"I AM THE CHURCH"

Come support and learn from some of our own men as they lead our study on Scriptures that teach us what it means to be the Lord's church.

Schedule of Upcoming Speakers:

August 8	Cody Gothart	Matthew 5:14-16
August 15	Jerry Wilhoite	Ephesians 2:10
August 22	Rusty Hills	1 Peter 2:9-10
August 29	Michael Sims	Romans 8:37

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Statistics

Wed., Aug 1, Bible Classes...... NC

Regency Ret. Worship 48 Offering......\$19,333.20 Budget.....\$18,000 Average '18 \$18,610 Over Budget for year+18,293

Building Fund\$440.00

Sunday, July 29, 2018	
AM Worship 371	Worsh
Month Average	Bible
Bible Class	Worsh
PM Worship275	

Services

Sunday

Worship	9:00 a.m.
Bible Class	10:15 a.m.
Worship	5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Super Seniors 10):00	a.m
Bible Class6	5:30	p.m

Web Site Home Bible Studies https://www.cpcofc.org/home-bible-studies (Lesson 1 Link) The Bible-God's Holy Word