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WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

	Sunday		
	Feb. 8, 2015	Feb. 15, 2015	
Prayer	E. Stewart	R. Coss	
Scripture	M. Perry	T. Jarvis	
Communion	P. Danz	L. Montgomery	
Assist	P. VanHorn	B. Castleman	
Pass	D. Thomas	B. Smith	
Pass	Z. Thomas	R. Alexander	
Usher	B. Samu	D. Clay	
Usher	A. Montgomery	J. Fronczak	
Prayer	S. Danz	S. Lance	
Song Leader	R. Alt	N. Middleton	
Nursery	B. Montgomery	K. McGreevy	

Evening Worship

Praver

Communion	R. Coss	B. Mullins
Prayer	L. Montgomery	M. Davidson
Bible Time	S. Loera	T. & A. Brooks
	S. Barry	

Chr. Middleton

T. Brooks

(Wednesday Midweek Bible Study)

	Feb. 11, 2015	Feb. 18, 2015
Prayer	B. Mullins	P. Danz
Song Leader	N. Middleton	L. Montgomery
Devotional	T. Brooks	R. Coss
Prayer	B. Smith	D. Thomas

Lincoln Park Church of Christ

Hymnology - Jessie Brown Pounds

Jessie Pounds was in poor health as a child, and received her early education at home. At age 15, she began submitting articles to Cleveland newspapers and various religious publications. In 1896, she married Reverend John Pounds, pastor of the Central Christian Church in Indianapolis, Indiana. In her early years, an editor commented that some of her poetry would make good hymn texts. So began her song writing career. Over her lifetime,



she wrote 50 librettos for cantatas and operettas, 9 books, and more than 400 Gospel song texts. She collaborated with James Fillmore for three decades. One of her best known hymns, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" was said to be President William McKinley's favorite hymn and was sung at his funeral.

Hymns

Anywhere with Jesus
Are You Coming to Jesus Tonight?
Beautiful Isle of Somewhere
Going On
I Know That My Redeemer Liveth
I Want to Live Closer to Jesus
A Place in the Ranks for Me
Tell the Promises over to Me
The Touch of His Hand on Mine
The Way of the Cross Leads Home
We Are Going Down the Valley

ON THE CALENDAR AND CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

SAMARITAN LADIES: Every Wednesday at 10:00 am - All ladies are welcome.

<u>BIBLE TIME</u>: For children in Kindergarten through the 5th grade. Teachers: Shelley Loera & Stephanie Barry.

FEBRUARY PREACHING SCHEDULE:

Feb. 8

AM Worship - Wissam Al-Aethawi PM Worship - Steve Lance

E & D MEETING: Sunday, February 8 at 4:30 pm

"SOUPER" BOWL SUNDAY: Join us on Sunday, February 8, after the evening service for a fellow-ship meal featuring many different soups and chilies. Sign the list at the back of the auditorium and let us know what you'll be bringing. See Matt Perry for more information.

Don't shine so others can see you...

Shine so that through you, others can see Him.

HELPING HANDS: Monday, February 9 at 10:00 am

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday, February 14 at 9:00 am at Charlie's in LP

BIBLE BOWL: The next Bible Bowl competition is Sunday, February 15 at the Gateway Church of Christ at 2:30 pm.

BOOK PRESENTATION: Sunday, February 15, for all of our Bible Class Students from Nursery age through the High School Class. Books will be presented between class and worship.

<u>LIFELINE OF HOPE</u>: Donations are due on Sunday, February 22. See Randy Alt.

YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITY NIGHT:

Sunday, February 22 after the evening service in the fellowship room. See Cheryl Alt or Suzanne Smith for more information.

LADIES' LUNCHEON: Saturday, February 28 at 11:30 am. All ladies are invited. Contact Carol Johnson for the location.



40 Days until Spring

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

DON MANDERNACH

BENNY MORTON

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

Ephesians 6:18



CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Lilly Bumpus, Ed Ingle, Margaret Johnson, Yolanda Joiner, John Loera, Pat Longoria, Gil & Glenda Maldonado, Randy Matthews, Chuck Middleton, Marie Miller, Jeff Nelson, Erma Noe, Pat Pugh, Billy Reinhardt, J.D. Roberts, Bill Saylors, Bill Shelton, Scotty Smith, Val Toby, Leila Wallace, Karen Ward, Linda Weick, Kim Williams, Jami Willingham, & Ron Withey

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ELDERS' EDIFICATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT CORNER

"Jesus Commands Truth" (Matt. 5:33-37)

In every age "truth" has been desired by the best of people. The Roman orator Cicero said, "Nothing is sweeter than the light of truth." Chaucer, the English poet, wrote, "Truth is the highest things that man may keep." Daniel Webster once said, "There is nothing so powerful as truth—and often nothing so strange." In our text of Matt. 5:33-37 Jesus speaks about the importance of telling the truth because it must be one of the characteristics of kingdom people. Not only is Jesus emphasizing the importance of the characteristics that must adorn the Christian life but He is trying to spare us from the pain and suffering that the violation of His laws will bring. While the scribes and Pharisees were stressing the external keeping of the law Jesus is emphasizing the necessity of observing the spirit of the law. While men may look at our actions God looks at our thoughts, motives, and our attitudes—the intents of the heart.

A "vow" is a solemn promise or pledge before God or before men; and an "oath" is a means of verifying one's words as being true by calling upon sacred persons or things as proof of honesty. Jesus was not speaking about the taking of oaths primarily but against the abuses of oaths and the corresponding abuse of the truth that went with them. Whenever someone falsely utters an oath or insincerely takes a vow, they are indicating that God is not really there or that He does not really bear witness to what is said. Therefore we do not have to keep our promise for we are not really accountable to God for our words. However, God expected people to keep their vows: "If a man makes a vow to the Lord, or swears an oath to bind him by some agreement, he shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth" (Num. 30:2). Also notice: "When you make a vow to the Lord your God, you shall not delay to pay it; for the Lord your God will surely require it of you, and it would be sin to you" (Deut. 23:21). Again, "Do not be rash with your mouth, and let not your heart utter anything hastily before God. For God is in heaven, and you on earth; therefore let your words be few....When you make a vow to God, do not delay to pay it; for He has no pleasure in fools. Pay what you have vowed—better not to vow than to vow and not pay" (Eccl. 5:2, 4-5). The scribes and Pharisees considered an oath binding only if they swore by the name of the Lord (Cf. Matt. 23:16 -22). Therefore, if a person swore by their own life, health, the king, their head, the earth, heaven, the temple or Jerusalem then they did not have to keep their promise. Therefore, Jesus forbade all false swearing and commanded His followers to always tell the truth.

Relationships cannot grow in a climate of dishonesty. A lack of openness and honesty is a direct assault on our varied relationships and this is why Paul also addresses this problem: "Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another. "Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil. Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you" (Eph. 4:25-32). Community cannot flourish where dishonesty reigns, therefore speak truth.

(Walnut Street Church of Christ)

Love, Chuck

WORDS OF WISDOM



⁹ Know therefore

that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.

Deuteronomy 7:9

PANTRY NEEDS



Box Potatoes

Crackers

Home-style Bake Dinners

Pancake Mix & Syrup

CONTRIBUTION

WEEKLY BUDGET \$3,400

02-01-15 \$2920

02-08-15

02-15-15

02-22-15

SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am and 6:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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THEME FOR 2015

Sweet Year of Fellowship

SERVING THE LORD IN FEBRUARY



Communion Preparation: Volunteer needed

Care of Baptismal Clothing: Sherry Bousho

Closing the Building: Randy Coss

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Helen Siegel John Loera Marla Shepherd Jamie Davidson Virginia Bone



Dianne Lande Stephanie Barry Russ Bone Josiah Hoffman

Martha Davidson Sherry Bousho Diane Middleton Randy Alt Bob & Evelyn Mullins
Roger & Sherry Bousho
Louis & Butchie Montgomery
Ernie & Yvonne Ibarra
Ed & Gera Ingle
Tony & Gina DiCarlo



Taken from "Traditions of Men vs. the Word of God" by Alvin Jennings

ARMSTRONG TRADITION

5. The theory of the "Lost Ten Tribes" calls for (1) all inhabitants of the northern kingdom of Hoshea to be deported by Shalmaneser and Sargon, 722-718 B.C.; (2) The House of Israel has never returned but has remained intact somewhere as a people- a total population in anonymous pilgrimage. P I a i n Truth About Armstrongism, 25-26.

Armstrong claims this ancient mystery is now "cleared up" by him. <u>Plain Truth About Armstrongism</u>, 34-35.

[Over two dozen lost tribes hunters have made such assertions, including the Mormons who say it is the Laminites-ancestors of American Indians.]

The house of Israel (northern tribes) was lost then found removed to the British Isles.

WORD OF GOD

5a. Many deportations to many lands of Hebrew people resulted from various wars. Numbers 31:35; Amos 1:9; 1 Kings 20:34; Jeremiah 52:28-30. <u>Plain Truth About Armstrongism</u>, 37-39.

5b. Proselyting also disseminated Israelite culture. Isaiah 14:1, 66:21; Matthew 23:15, Pharisees compassed land and sea; Esther 8:17, "many people became Jews," Ruth and Rahab; Isaiah 56:3, Judaized "strangers."

5c. Women have been abused in wars and by armies and the children of such victims among Hebrew women were raised Jewish, though racially they were a mixed race. Deuteronomy 28:30; Exodus 15:9; Judges 5:30; Isaiah 13:16. The Jews of Germany are the descendants of beautiful Jewish women of Austria, who were taken prisoners and raped by the Vangioni these women raised their children in the Jewish religion. (H. Graetz, History of the Jews, III, p. 40f). Plain Truth About Armstrongism, 44-45.

5d. Deportations were not total populations, but only a few of the elite, the governors, the wealthy, the political leaders, etc. Jeremiah 52:27-30; 2 Kings 24:14-16. The masses of common people were never removed after any war. Plain Truth About Armstrongism, 55-57.