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**PASTOR
EARNEST CLAIBORN
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SENIOR PASTOR EARNEST CLAIBORN IS AN ANOINTED YOUNG MAN OF GREAT WISDOM AND POWER FROM GOD.

PASTOR CLAIBORN HAS BEEN PREACHING THE WORD OF GOD FOR NEARLY 18 YEARS, SINCE 1/17/92.

PASTOR CLAIBORN HAS A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES FROM LOGOS BIBLE COLLEGE, A MASTER'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY, IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON A 2ND MASTER'S IN PASTORAL MINISTRY, AS WELL AS A DOCTOR OF DIVINITY DEGREE.

HE HAS BEEN MARRIED NEARLY 21 YEARS TO DR. HAZEL CLAIBORN, SINCE 12/10/88. THEY HAVE 1 DAUGHTER (PORSHIA) AND 3 SONS (ALIX, GORD, AND CEMEON).

PASTOR CLAIBORN GAVE HIS LIFE TO GOD 25 YEARS AGO, 1/1/85. AT AGE 15, HE WAS BAPTIZED IN THE NAME OF JESUS, FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST, AND GIVEN THE GIFT OF SPEAKING IN OTHER TONGUES.

HE FOUNDED THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST AND THE DOORS WERE OPEN ON SEPTEMBER 17TH 2000 AT 12:30 P.M.

THE MAN OF GOD MOVED TO MINNESOTA FROM GREENWOOD, MS, WHERE HE WAS EMPLOYED AS A CORRECTIONAL OFFICER AT THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PRISON FOR NEARLY 9 YEARS, MOST OF WHICH WAS ON DEATH ROW.

YOU CAN LEARN MUCH, MUCH MORE ABOUT PASTOR CLAIBORN, INCLUDING SEEING VIDEO OF HIS LATEST SERMONS ON OUR WEBSITE.

FIRST LADY
 DR. HAZEL CLAIBORN
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HIS WIFE

DR. HAZEL CLAIBORN, FROM GREENWOOD, MS, IS THE SECOND OF EIGHT CHILDREN BORN TO MAGGIE M. GRIFFIN.

IN MAY 1986 SHE GRADUATED FROM GREENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL, THEN SHE ENROLLED IN ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY FOR TWO YEARS WHERE SHE MAJORED IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AS SHE HAD PLANNED TO BE A CORPORATE LAW ATTORNEY.

THOSE DREAMS WERE DRASTICALLY CHANGED AS SHE CAME HOME FROM COLLEGE ONE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY AND WAS WITNESSED TO BY HER STEPFATHER WHO HAD RECENTLY BEEN BAPTIZED IN JESUS NAME AND FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND WAS SPEAKING IN TONGUES.

THIS WAS ALL NEW TO HAZEL AS SHE GREW UP IN A BAPTIST CHURCH AND HAD NOT SO MUCH HEARD WHETHER THERE WAS A HOLY GHOST OR NOT.

OUT OF PURE CURIOSITY SHE WENT TO GREATER BETHEL APOSTOLIC TEMPLE WHERE HER STEPFATHER HAD TAKEN MEMBERSHIP.

THE HOLY GHOST GOT A HOLD OF HER DURING THE WORD AND SHE TOO WENT DOWN IN JESUS NAME AND WAS FILLED WITH THE PRECIOUS GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST. FROM THAT MOMENT HER TRUE DESTINY BEGAN.

SHE HAS BEEN MARRIED NEARLY 21 YEARS TO EARNEST CLAIBORN, SINCE 12/10/88. THEY HAVE 1 DAUGHTER (PORSHIA) AND 3 SONS (ALIX, GORD, AND CEMEON).

SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO AND TO SEE VIDEOS OF HER SERMONS.

MINISTERIAL STAFF
OF THE
POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST



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OTHER MINISTERS

THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST BELIEVES IN HELPING OTHERS GROW INTO THEIR GOD-GIVEN CALLING. WE RESPECT THE ANOINTING, AND GIFTS OF OTHERS, AND DO OUR BEST TO HELP THEM RECOGNIZE, NURTURE, AND UTILIZE THOSE ATTRIBUTES WITHIN OUR CHURCH AND OUR MINISTRY. YOU CAN SEE VIDEO OF MINISTERIAL STAFF SERMONS ON OUR WEBSITE.

EVANGELIST MAGALENE COTTON [ASSOCIATE MINISTER] IS THE YOUNGEST OF FOUR SIBLINGS. SHE IS MARRIED TO DEACON HAROLD COTTON. THEY HAVE FOUR ADULT CHILDREN, DEOLANDZO, HAROLD LAMAR, AMANDA AND PHYLLIS AND ONE GRANDSON, JADEN AND TWO GOD DAUGHTERS, SCHANIA AND AYANA. SHE IS A GRADUATE OF MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY WHERE SHE RECEIVED HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. SHE HAS BEEN TEACHING FOR OVER 20 YEARS. SHE GOT SAVED AT THE AGE OF 14, IS AN ORDAINED MINISTER. SHE IS CURRENTLY THE PRESIDENT OF THE EVANGELISM MINISTRY AT PHOJC.

ELDER LAMAR COTTON

EVANGELIST WANDA TATE HAS BEEN SAVED AND HOLY GHOST FILLED FOR OVER 20 YEARS. SHE HAS BEEN A MEMBER OF THE PHOJC FOR 8 YEARS AND HAS A GREAT LOVE FOR THE CHURCH. SHE IS A FAITHFUL WORKER IN THE CHURCH. SHE SERVES IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES IN THE CHURCH AND MINISTRY. SHE IS A GRADUATE OF DAVENPORT COLLEGE WHERE SHE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN CPA/ BUSINESS MANAGEMENT. EVANGELIST TATE IS A MOTHER OF TWO CHILDREN DARRELL AND SCHANIA. SHE HAS BEEN EMPLOYED WITH WELLS FARGO OVER 20 YEARS AND CURRENTLY WORKS AS AN ACCOUNTING REPRESENTATIVE.

JOINING A CHURCH

THE MOST
IMPORTANT DECISION
OF YOUR LIFE

ALTHOUGH IT'S THE SLOGAN
OF A WORLDLY COMPANY TODAY
GOD SPOKE IT IN MALACHI 3
'MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS PRIVILEGES'



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JOINING A CHURCH DOESN'T JUST MEAN THAT YOU NOW HAVE SOME PLACE TO SAY YOU GO EVERY SUNDAY. OR, THAT YOU NOW HAVE A GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT YOU CAN WORSHIP WITH, LEARN WITH, LAUGH WITH, CRY WITH, ATTEND FUNCTIONS WITH, RAISE YOUR KIDS WITH, AND TRUST, ETC. YOU CAN GET THESE THINGS JUST ABOUT ANYWHERE.

JOINING A CHURCH MEANS SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN ALL OF THESE THINGS COMBINED. THE PRIMARY REASON YOU JOIN A CHURCH IS TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE NOW A PART OF GOD'S FAMILY. AND THAT IS THE FIRST STEP TO HAVING ACCESS TO GOD, OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY, EVERY ONE OF HIS PROMISES, HIS PROTECTION, AND HIS RESOURCES.

THE COMMITMENT TAKES SURRENDER, SACRIFICE, REPENTANCE, AND A HOST OF THINGS THAT YOU WILL BEGIN TO DISCOVER AND LEARN ABOUT.

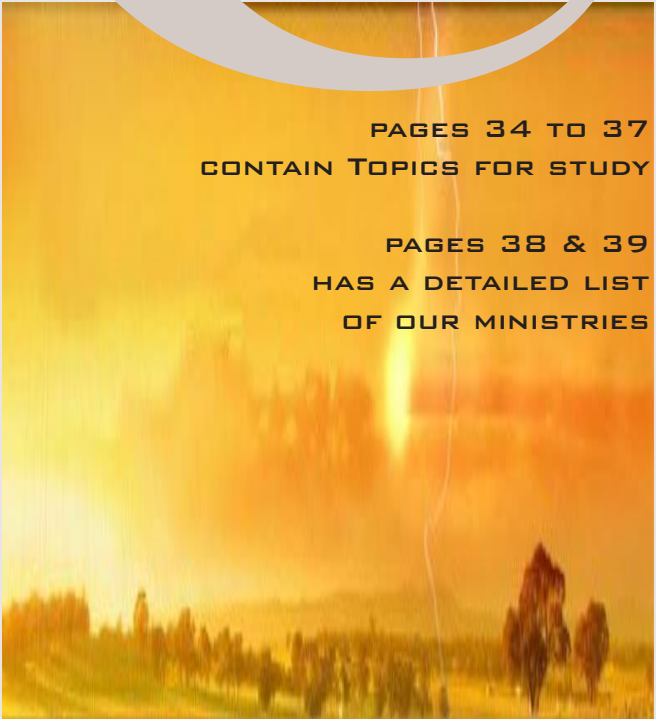
BECOMING A PART OF GOD'S FAMILY AND THE COMMITMENT TO JOIN A CHURCH MEANS EVERYTHING IN YOUR LIFE. IT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT DECISION YOU WILL EVER MAKE. IT IS BOTH LIFE-CHANGING AND LIFE-ALTERING, AND HERE'S A LITTLE INFORMATION ON WHY.

WHEN YOU JOIN A CHURCH:

- PEOPLE STILL LOST IN THE WORLD WILL NO LONGER TREAT YOU THE SAME
- YOU WILL HAVE TO SACRIFICE BEING AROUND CERTAIN PEOPLE
- YOUR FLESH WILL FIGHT AGAINST EVERY DECISION YOU MAKE FOR GOD.

THESE THINGS ARE NORMAL FOR NEW CHRISTIANS. BUT STAY IN CHURCH AND STAY COMMITTED TO COMING REGULARLY SO YOU CAN GET STRONGER.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS
NEW MEMBER'S HANDBOOK
IS DESIGNED TO GIVE YOU
AN OVERVIEW OF OUR CHURCH.
IT IS A BASIC GUIDE TO OUR DOCTRINAL
TEACHINGS
AND HOLINESS LIFESTYLE



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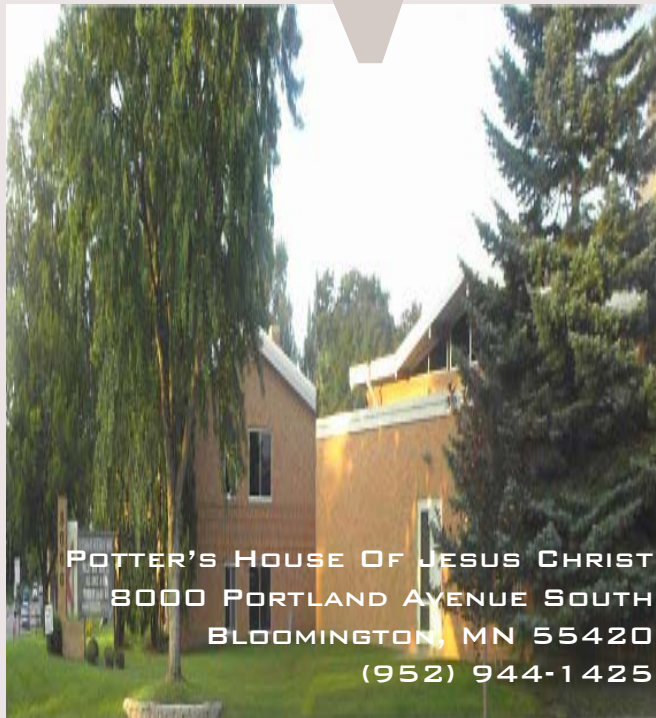
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WITHOUT NEW MEMBERS,
ANY CHURCH WOULD EVENTUALLY
CEASE TO EXIST.
THAT IS HOW IMPORTANT
YOU BEING HERE REALLY IS.



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...TO THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST CHURCH. IT IS OUR GREAT PLEASURE TO SAY THESE WORDS AND TO KNOW THAT YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO BECOME A PART OF THE BODY OF CHRIST IN THIS CHURCH.

OUR MISSION...

IS PREPARING PEOPLE FOR HEAVEN AND LIVING SUCCESSFUL LIVES.

OUR HOPE...

IS THAT YOU WILL BECOME THE SPIRIT-FILLED, MATURE CHRISTIAN THAT GOD HAS CALLED YOU TO BE.

OUR GOAL...

IS TO HELP YOU GROW INTO LIVING A LIFE OF SACRIFICE, USEFUL TO GOD IN SERVING OTHERS WHO ARE IN NEED ALL OVER THE WORLD.

OUR DOORS...

ARE ALWAYS OPEN. YOU CAN REACH US ANYTIME FOR ANY REASON. WE WANT YOU TO FEEL WELCOME, BE WELCOME, AND KNOW THAT YOU ARE WELCOME.

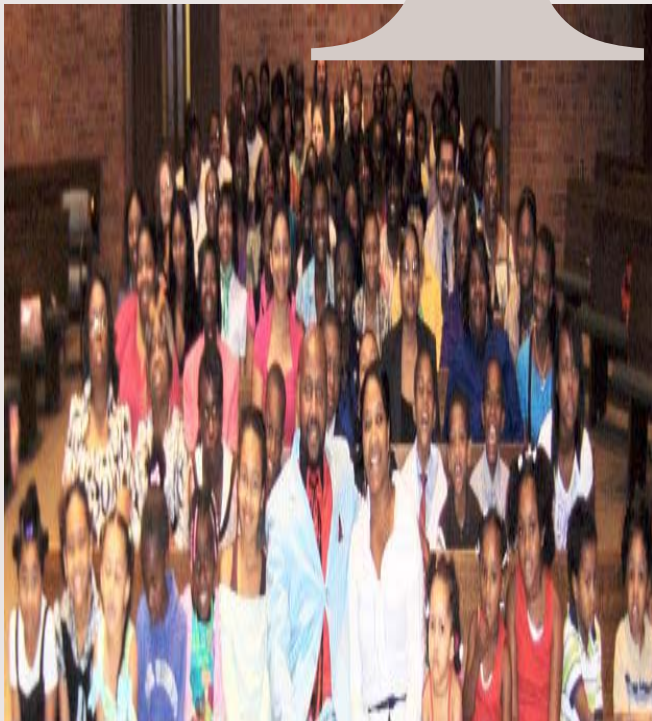
OUR HEARTS...

ARE OPEN TOO. WE KNOW THE STRUGGLE TO DAY TO DAY LIVING. WE ALSO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT TAKES TO DEFEAT THE DEVIL ON A DAILY BASIS.

THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST. WHATEVER METHOD OR REASON GOD USED TO GUIDE YOU HERE, WE ARE MOST CERTAINLY GLAD YOU MADE IT. IN JESUS NAME,

AMEN.

IF YOU'VE BEEN THINKING, PRAYING, SEARCHING, AND HOPING FOR A PLACE TO GET ESTABLISHED IN GOD'S WORD AND HIS WILL YOU'VE FOUND IT



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I N T R O

THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST IS A NON-DENOMINATIONAL CHURCH THAT STRICTLY TEACHES, PREACHES, AND WHOLE-HEARTEDLY BELIEVES IN THE HOLY (SCRIPTURES) BIBLE. WE BELIEVE EVERYONE TODAY MUST BE BORN-AGAIN OF THE WATER AND OF THE SPIRIT, MEANING: WATER BAPTIZED IN JESUS NAME AND HAVE THE HOLY (SPIRIT) GHOST WITH SPEAKING IN OTHER TONGUES AS THE SPIRIT GIVES UTTERANCE. WE BELIEVE IN ACTS 2:38 FOR SALVATION.

THE POTTER'S HOUSE WELCOMES EVERYONE REGARDLESS OF RACE OR NATIONALITY TO COME TO ANY AND ALL OF OUR SERVICES. WE ARE NOT CONCERNED ABOUT HOW AN INDIVIDUAL IS DRESSED, JUST COME AS YOU ARE. WE BELIEVE IN LIVING A HOLY AND SANCTIFIED LIFESTYLE JUST AS THE BIBLE ADMONISH US TO IN 1 PETER 1:16- "BECAUSE IT IS WRITTEN, BE YE HOLY; FOR I AM HOLY."

THE POTTER'S HOUSE IS A CHURCH THAT BELIEVES IN EACH INDIVIDUAL FREELY PRAISING AND WORSHIPING GOD AS YOU FEEL LEAD BY THE HOLY SPIRIT. WHETHER IT IS RUNNING, JUMPING, CRYING, SINGING, CLAPPING, SHOUTING, AND DANCING IN THE SPIRIT. WE ARE AN EMOTIONAL AND ENERGETIC CHURCH.

AT THE POTTER'S HOUSE, WE DO NOT TEACH AGAINST WOMEN WEARING PANTS, MAKE-UP, OR JEWELRY TO CHURCH. JUST THINK MODEST AND LET THE HOLY SPIRIT LEAD YOU. THESE ARE JUST A FEW INCITES ABOUT THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST MINISTRY AND WHAT THIS HANDBOOK IS ALL ABOUT. WE HOPE THIS INTRODUCTION WET YOUR APPETITE ENOUGH SO THAT YOU ARE EAGER AND EXCITED ABOUT READING THIS NEW MEMBERS HANDBOOK. WELCOME TO THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST!!!!!!!

TITHING IS AN ESSENTIAL PART
OF WORSHIP.



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TITHING

TITHING IS REQUIRED OF EVERY MEMBER OF EVERY CHURCH. IT IS NOT JUST SOMETHING THAT IS ONLY DONE AT THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST.

GOD REQUIRES IT OF US. HE ASKS FOR 10% OF THE FIRSTFRUITS OF ALL OUR INCREASE. DETAILS ARE IN MALACHI CHAPTER 3:6-12, BUT THERE ARE MANY, MANY OTHER REFERENCES TO TITHING ALL THROUGHOUT THE BIBLE. HERE ARE A FEW:

GENESIS 14:20

"AND HE GAVE HIM TITHES OF ALL."

II CORINTHIANS 9:6

"BUT THIS I SAY, HE WHICH SOWETH SPARINGLY SHALL REAP ALSO SPARINGLY; AND HE WHICH SOWETH BOUNTIFULLY SHALL ALSO REAP BOUNTIFULLY"

II CORINTHIANS 9:7

EVERY MAN ACCORDING AS HE PURPOSETH IN HIS HEART, SO LET HIM GIVE; NOT GRUDGINGLY OR OF NECESSITY, FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER"

AS SAINTS OF GOD, WE KNOW AND ARE KEENLY AWARE THAT MOST PEOPLE SPEND THEIR TIME WORKING, THINKING, HOPING, STRIVING FOR WHATEVER IT IS THAT THEY ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT. WE ARE ALSO KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE VERY THING MOST PEOPLE SPEND MOST OF THEIR TIME ON, IS WHERE OR WHAT THEY SPEND MOST OF THEIR MONEY ON.

AT THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST, TITHING IS A WAY OF LIFE. GOD GETS BACK THE FIRST OF EVERYTHING HE GIVES TO US.

EVERY CHURCH HAS A HISTORY.

BUT THE FOUNDATION
MUST START WITH GOD.

“EXCEPT THE LORD
BUILD THE HOUSE,
THEY LABOR IN VAIN
THAT BUILD IT.”

PSALM 127:1



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HISTORY

IN MARCH OF 2000, ELDER EARNEST CLAIBORN, BY FAITH, MOVED HIS FAMILY TO MINNESOTA. THEY LEFT BEHIND THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO WALK IN DESTINY AND PURPOSE. THEY CHOSE TO FOLLOW GOD'S GREAT WORK. ELDER CLAIBORN HAD SERVED UNDER THE PASTORALSHIP OF BISHOP EARNEST MILLER, OF "GREATER BETHEL APOSTOLIC TEMPLE" IN GREENWOOD, MISSISSIPPI FOR MORE THAN 15 YEARS.

ONCE ARRIVING IN MINNESOTA, GOD LED THE DYNAMIC PREACHER TO PLANT ROOTS HERE. SOON, POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST WAS FOUNDED. SOME OF THE FIRST MEMBERS INCLUDED HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN, OTHER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AFTER BEING LED TO THE LOCATION TO LEASE SPACE FROM A METHODIST CHURCH, POTTER'S HOUSE HELD ITS FIRST SERVICE.

SINCE THAT DAY IN SEPTEMBER 2000, SIX MONTHS AFTER HE RELOCATED HIS FAMILY TO MINNESOTA, POTTER'S HOUSE HAS BEEN BLESSED WITH STABILITY, CONTINUED GROWTH, GOD'S BLESSINGS ABOUND THROUGHOUT THE CHURCH, AND A NEW MULTIPLEX CENTER.

OUR VISION IS SIMPLE. WE INTEND TO BAPTIZE YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS, HELP YOU LEARN TO STUDY THE WORD OF GOD, DEVELOP A SOLID PRAYER LIFE, LEARN WHAT IT MEANS TO BE IN A RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST, SHOW YOU HOW TO RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND TEACH YOU TO USE THE GIFTS GOD'S HAS GIVEN YOU THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT TO HELP BUILD UP THE CHURCH AND THE MINISTRY. WE ARE FOCUSED ON, CENTERED AROUND, AND GEARED TOWARD GIVING GOD THE GLORY FOR HIS WORK IN OUR LIVES. WE ARE LIVING SACRIFICES AND WE WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE PURE BLOOD SACRIFICE OF JESUS, HIS DEATH AND RESURRECTION, DOES WHAT HE INTENDED.

G R O W T H

CHRISTIAN GROWTH IS MANDATORY

GROWTH IS CLEARLY DEFINED IN HEBREWS 5:12 - 6:8

IN ORDER TO GROW AS CHRISTIANS, YOU MUST BE FED, NURTURED, GROOMED, AND PRUNED, LEARN THINGS, HAVE EXPERIENCES, MAKE MISTAKES, ETC., JUST LIKE YOU HAVE GROWN UP FROM INFANCY, TO CHILDHOOD, TO PRE-TEEN, TO TEEN, TO YOUNG ADULT, TO ADULT.

THE GROWTH PATTERN IS DESIGNED BY GOD FOR EVERY CHRISTIAN. ALTHOUGH THE PATH IS THE SAME, THE TIME TO REACH MATURITY IS NEVER THE SAME FOR EVERYONE. CHRISTIAN GROWTH TAKES TIME. THERE IS A LOT TO LEARN, AND MASTER. BUT EVERYONE STARTS SOMEWHERE.

WHY IS GROWTH NECESSARY? MANY REASONS. WITHOUT GROWTH, YOU WOULD MOST LIKELY CONTINUE TO COME TO CHURCH SUNDAY AFTER SUNDAY, WEDNESDAY AFTER WEDNESDAY, YEAR AFTER YEAR, LEARNING THE SAME THINGS OVER AND OVER AGAIN, BUT NEVER BEGIN TO PUT WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED INTO PRACTICE.

FOR EXAMPLE, LEARNING THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CHURCH AND MINISTRY IS A MAJOR PART OF GROWTH THAT MANY CHRISTIANS NEVER UNDERSTAND. WHY? BECAUSE THEY ARE NEVER TAUGHT. HERE IS A VERY BASIC CHART TO SHOW YOU WHAT THAT MEANS:



NEW MEMBER	YOUR STATUS WHEN YOU JOIN A CHURCH
SERVICE IN THE CHURCH	WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, BIBLE STUDY
SERVING IN THE CHURCH	USHER, DEACON, TEACHER, SECRETARY
LEADERSHIP IN THE CHURCH	HEAD USHER, HEAD DEACON, HEAD TEACHER
SERVING IN MINISTRY	FEED HUNGRY, VISIT SICK, MINISTER TO PRISONERS, ETC.

THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME

THOU SHALT NOT MAKE UNTO THEE
ANY GRAVEN IMAGE

THOU SHALT NOT TAKE
THE NAME OF THE LORD THY GOD IN VAIN

REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY

HONOUR THY FATHER AND THY MOTHER

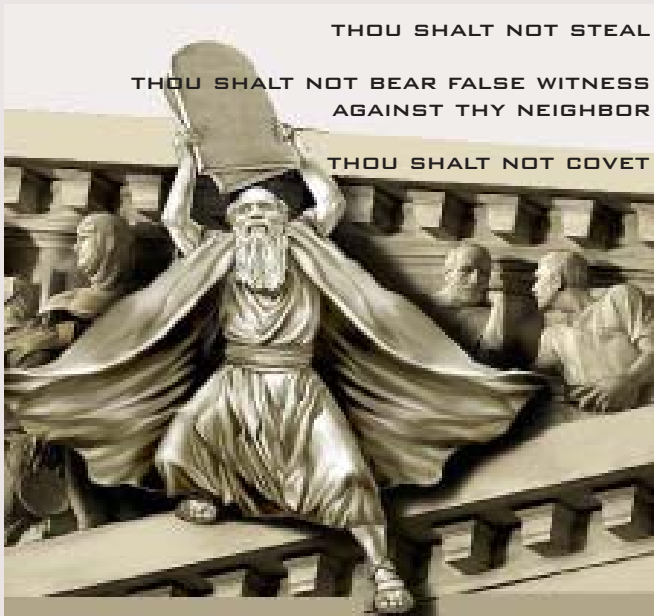
THOU SHALT NOT KILL

THOU SHALT NOT COMMIT ADULTERY

THOU SHALT NOT STEAL

THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS
AGAINST THY NEIGHBOR

THOU SHALT NOT COVET



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OUR BELIEFS

AT THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST WE BELIEVE IN GOD, JESUS CHRIST AS SON OF GOD, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT. HERE ARE THE **SEVEN BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES** THAT WE HOLD TO:

1. WE BELIEVE

THE BIBLE IS THE INFALLIBLE WORD OF GOD WRITTEN BY HOLY MEN AS THE HOLY GHOST INSPIRED THEM TO WRITE. II PETER 1:20.

2. WE BELIEVE

YOU MUST REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED IN WATER BY IMMERSION IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST FOR THE REMISSION (REMOVAL) OF SINS, AND THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST, SPEAKING IN OTHER TONGUES AS THE SPIRIT GIVES THE UTTERANCE. THIS IS THE "NEW BIRTH EXPERIENCE". ACTS 1:8 AND ACTS 2:38.

3. WE BELIEVE

JESUS CHRIST IS GOD IN THE FLESH. WE BELIEVE IN THE VIRGIN BIRTH; THAT JESUS WAS BORN BOTH HUMAN AND DIVINE. GOD MANIFESTED IN THE FLESH. MATTHEW 1:21, 1ST TIMOTHY 3:16.

4. WE BELIEVE

IN THE DEATH, BURIAL, AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST. WE BELIEVE THAT HE ASCENDED ON HIGH AND HAS SENT HIS SPIRIT, THE HOLY GHOST, WHICH WAS POURED OUT AT JERUSALEM OVER 2000 YEARS AGO AND WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS STILL FILLING THE HEARTS OF BELIEVERS ON TODAY! LUKE 24:46-49, ACTS CHAPTER 2

5. WE BELIEVE

IN A HOLY, SANCTIFIED LIFE, DIVINE HEALING, LAYING ON HANDS, WORKING OF MIRACLES IN JESUS NAME AND WE BELIEVE IN THE GLORIOUS CATCHING AWAY (RAPTURE) OF THE SAINTS WHEN JESUS RETURNS IN THE CLOUDS OF GLORY TO TAKE HIS PEOPLE TO HEAVEN. LUKE 10:19; 1ST THESS. 4:16-17.

6. WE BELIEVE

THAT IN JESUS CHRIST DWELLETH ALL THE FULLNESS OF THE GODHEAD BODILY. COL. 2:9.

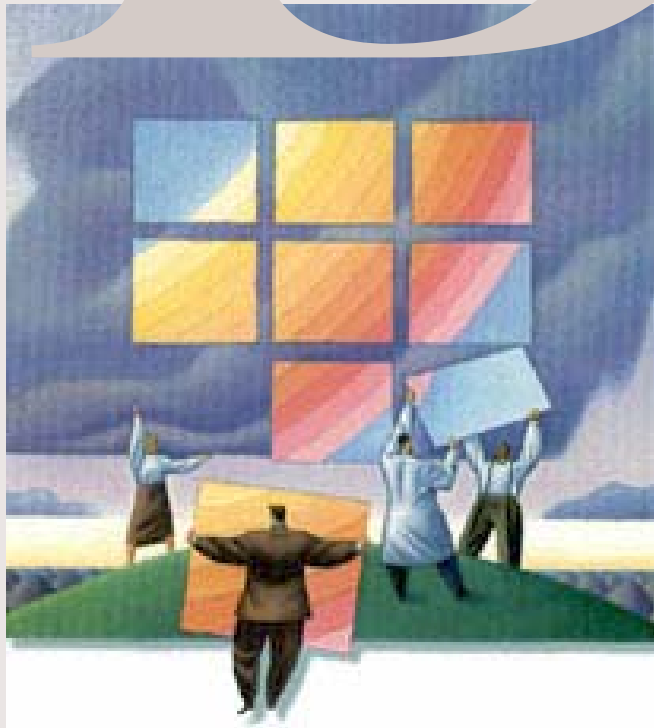
7. WE BELIEVE

IN REMEMBERING THE SUFFERINGS OF JESUS CHRIST THROUGH HOLY COMMUNION THROUGH DRINKING OF THE BLOOD (NON-ALCOHOL) AND EATING OF THE BODY (BREAD) OF JESUS. 1 COR. 11:23-26.

PREACHING - TEACHING
ADMINISTRATING - GOVERNING
SINGING - USHERING
GREETING - ORGANIZING

DRAWING - WRITING
EDITING - PROGRAMMING
FUNDRAISING - FEEDING
REACHING - COMFORTING

EVERY PART OF THE BODY IS ESSENTIAL



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DO YOUR PART

“FOR AS THE BODY IS ONE, AND HATH MANY MEMBERS, AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF THAT ONE BODY, BEING MANY, ARE ONE BODY; SO ALSO IS CHRIST.”

1ST CORINTHIANS 12:12

THIS IS THE MOST CLEARLY DEFINED SCRIPTURE ON PARTS OF THE BODY OF CHRIST. IF YOU READ FURTHER, YOU LEARN THAT JUST LIKE OUR BODIES HAVE HEADS, NECKS, SHOULDERS, ARMS, HANDS, ETC., ALL THE WAY DOWN TO OUR FEET, THE CHURCH IS NO DIFFERENT. HOW? BECAUSE JESUS CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH, AND WE, AS MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH, ARE PART OF HIS BODY.

THAT’S WHY DOING YOUR PART IS SO IMPORTANT. YOU HAVE BEEN GIFTED WITH SPECIAL SKILLS THAT POSSIBLY NO ONE ELSE HAS EXCEPT YOU. NO ONE CAN PREACH LIKE YOUR PASTOR, AND HE CAN’T DO WHATEVER IT IS THAT YOU DO. AND EACH OF YOUR PARTS IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT.

THE BIBLE EXPLAINS IT LIKE THIS: “IF THE FOOT SHALL SAY, BECAUSE I AM NOT THE EYE, I AM NOT OF THE BODY; IT IS THEREFORE NOT OF THE BODY?”

HERE’S ANOTHER EXAMPLE. YOUR PASTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREACHING AND TEACHING THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST TO EVERYONE IN THE CHURCH. LET’S SAY YOU’RE RESPONSIBLE FOR CREATING MATERIALS SUCH AS FLYERS, BANNERS, BOOKLETS, HANDBOOKS, POSTERS, TRACTS, AND OTHER THINGS THAT HELP SPREAD THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST TO EVERYONE IN AND OUTSIDE THE CHURCH. BOTH ASSIGNMENTS ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT.

WHATEVER YOUR ASSIGNMENT, WHATEVER YOU ARE GIFTED AT, DO YOUR BEST TO DO YOUR PART TO HELP SUPPORT THE CHURCH AND THE MINISTRY.

THE ONLY SCRIPTURE
THAT PROVIDES
THE FULL PROCESS
OF BEING SAVED.

ACTS 2:38

“THEN PETER SAID UNTO THEM, REPENT, AND BE BAPTIZED EVERY ONE OF YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS, AND YE SHALL RECEIVE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST.”

IN FACT, IF YOU READ FURTHER INTO THE NEXT SEVERAL CHAPTERS OF THE BOOK OF ACTS, YOU’LL LEARN THAT UNLESS CERTAIN THINGS ARE DONE IN THE NAME OF JESUS, THEY JUST WON’T WORK. GOOD INTENTIONS, BUT NO POWER BEHIND THE ACTIONS.

FLESH AND BLOOD CAN’T GET INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. AND UNLESS YOU ARE BORN OF WATER AND OF THE SPIRIT, YOU CANNOT ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD (JOHN 3:5).

THERE ARE MANY THINGS THAT ORDINARY CHRISTIANS DO IN THE CHURCH AND IN MINISTRY, BUT BY FAR, THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT.

AND, THERE ARE MANY THINGS THAT ORDINARY CHRISTIANS DO IN THE CHURCH AND THE MINISTRY, BELIEVING THEY ARE SAVED. BUT GOD’S WORD IS VERY CLEAR ABOUT THE PROCESS. AND UNLESS YOU HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT THERE IS NO CHANCE OF GETTING INTO HEAVEN WHEN JESUS RETURNS.

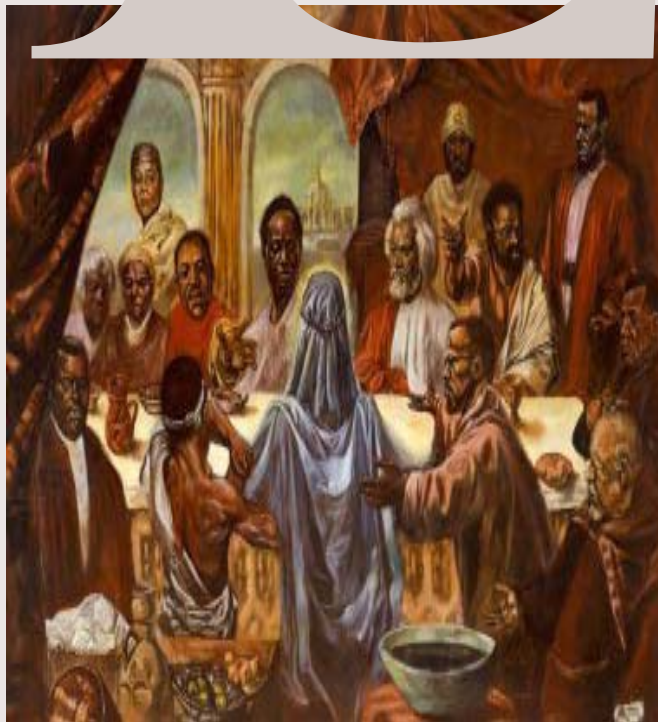
THE BIBLE SAYS THAT WHEN JESUS RETURNS EVERYONE WHO HAS THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL RECEIVE A GLORIFIED BODY. THAT MEANS THE BODY WE CURRENTLY HAVE WILL BE CHANGED IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE INTO SOMETHING THAT CAN ONLY EXIST IN, LIVE IN, AND BE MANIFEST IN HEAVEN.

I DON’T KNOW ABOUT YOU, BUT I AM TRULY LOOKING FORWARD TO NO LONGER WORRYING ABOUT SICKNESS AND HEALTH ONCE JESUS RETURNS!



THE LEADERSHIP OF THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST MEET WITH THE PASTOR REGULARLY TO STAY ON TOP OF DAILY OPERATIONS OF THE CHURCH AND THE MINISTRY

A MORE DETAILED LIST OF OUR LEADERSHIP IS ON PAGE 38



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LEADERSHIP

THE FUNCTIONS OF CHURCH AND MINISTRY ARE DESIGNED TO EXPRESSLY PROMOTE AND FURTHER THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.

WE LITERALLY COULD NOT OPERATE WITH THE LEADERS IN POSITION OVER THE VARIOUS CHURCH FUNCTIONS, AUXILIARIES AND MINISTRIES. THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MOST, IF NOT ALL OF THE ASPECTS OF PROGRAMS, SCHEDULING, BUDGETING, AND CARRYING OUT THE DUTIES TO WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN CALLED, ELECTED, OR ASSIGNED.

THESE POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP ARE NOT TAKEN LIGHTLY. ALTHOUGH EACH PERSON REPRESENTS THE CHURCH IN WHATEVER CAPACITY THEY ARE SERVING IN, THEY ALSO REPRESENT THAT PART OF GOD AND THE CHURCH TO THE COMMUNITY, AND TO THE WORLD; AND THAT IN ITSELF IS ENOUGH RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP THEM ON TRACK, BUT THEY ARE MOST CERTAINLY PROVIDED WITH ALL THE LOVE AND SUPPORT THEY NEED.

LEADERSHIP IS LEADERSHIP. IT IS THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR WHATEVER HAPPENS IN THE CHURCH AND THE MINISTRY, BOTH GOOD AND BAD. THE ONLY ALTERATION IS FROM THE GOVERNING BODY, AND ABOVE THAT IS CHRIST. THAT IS WHY EVERYONE IS NOT CUT FROM THE LEADERSHIP CLOTH.

AS A NEW MEMBER, PHOJC VALUES ITS LEADERS AS THE GREAT AND VALUABLE ASSET THAT THEY ARE. AND WE ENCOURAGE NEW MEMBERS TO LEARN AS MUCH AS YOU CAN ABOUT THE CHURCH AND MINISTRY OPERATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS, IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CAPACITY OF LEADERSHIP.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HELPING YOU RECOGNIZE, NURTURE, EXPAND, AND CONTINUE TO GROW SO YOU CAN BECOME PART OF THE PHOJC LEADERSHIP.

PHOJC IS COMMITTED TO CREATING MINISTRIES THAT MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR MEMBERS AND PEOPLE IN NEED LOCALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY

AND, WE REGULARLY SUPPORT THE CAUSES LISTED BELOW

A MORE DETAILED LIST OF OUR MINISTRIES AND THEIR LEADERSHIP IS ON PAGES 38 & 39



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LIST OF MINISTRIES

ONE OF THE FIRST QUESTIONS MANY NEW MEMBERS ASK IS, “WHERE DO I FIT IN?” OR, “HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?” THIS BRIEF LIST OF MINISTRIES IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD SEEING WHERE YOUR GIFTS CAN BE MOST USEFUL. UNDERSTAND THIS. YOUR GIFTS, WHATEVER THEY MAY BE, ARE MOST LIKELY ALWAYS NEEDED SOME PART OF THE CHURCH OR THE MINISTRY. FOR A MORE COMPREHENSIVE LIST, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR.

ELDER CARE MINISTRY WE MINISTER TO THE ELDERLY SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 5:30 P.M. AT MARTIN LUTHER MANOR, INC. 1401 EAST 100TH STREET - BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA.

EVANGELISM MINISTRY REACHING THE WORLD ONE PERSON AT A TIME THROUGH OUTREACH SUCH AS TRACTS, WALKATHON, SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO REACH THE LOST.

SINGLE MOM MINISTRY PROVIDES BIBLICAL TEACHING AND SUPPORT FOR WOMEN SINGLE BECAUSE OF DIVORCE, DEATH OF A SPOUSE, OR NEVER MARRIED.

MEN'S MINISTRY THE MEN MEET MONTHLY WITH THE PASTOR TO DISCUSS AND PRAY ABOUT MEN ISSUES. ALSO ACTIVE IN DISTRIBUTING TRACTS AND SPREADING THE GOSPEL TO THE LOST.

PUPPET MINISTRY THE COMBINED CREATIVE TEAM OF YOUTH AND ADULTS COME TOGETHER EVERY 4TH WEDNESDAY AFTER BIBLE STUDY TO SHOWCASE THEIR TALENTS THROUGH A PUPPET SHOW.

DAUGHTERS OF THE PROMISE FOR YOUNG LADIES AGES 12-16, THIS MINISTRY TEACHES, COUNSELS, AND ENCOURAGES PURITY AND SHOWS HOW TO STAY FAITHFUL TO GOD.

YOUNG BROTHERS 4 CHRIST MENTORING BOYS UNDER AGE 17, THIS MINISTRY PARTNERS WITH MENTORS WHO SPEND QUALITY TIME AND OFFER GODLY WISDOM FOR GROWTH.

BIBLE SCHOOL MINISTRY EACH WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT 7:00 P.M., THESE CLASSES ARE GEARED TO INSPIRE, INSTRUCT, AND CAUSE SPIRITUAL GROWTH IN EACH MEMBER. CLASSES ARE SECTIONED BY AGE.

EXCEL MINISTRY MOTIVATING OUR YOUTH THROUGH MENTORING AND OTHER INCENTIVES AND HELPS FOR MAINTAINING A'S & B'S IN SCHOOL.

MENTORING MINISTRY MENTORING SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AFFECTED BY INCARCERATION WITH A PARENT IN PRISON.

THE MEMBERS

PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU AND ME
 MAKE UP THE CHURCH.
 WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST.
 WE INVITE YOU TO VISIT
 THE MEMBER SECTION OF OUR WEBSITE
 TO WATCH AND LISTEN TO JUST HOW
 OUR MEMBERS CAME FROM
 DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD,
 WITH THEIR PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS,
 MADE IT TO OUR DOORS, AND ARE NOW
 PUTTING THEIR FAITH INTO ACTION,
 PREPARING FOR HEAVEN,
 AND LIVING SUCCESSFUL LIVES.



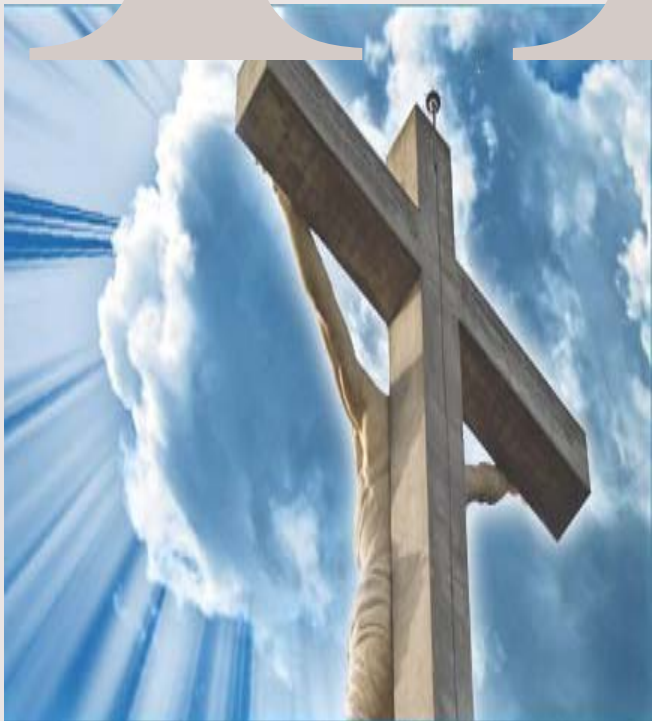
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YOU CAN SEE VIDEO OF THESE AND OTHER MEMBER INTERVIEWS ON OUR WEBSITE IN THE MEMBER'S SECTION



IF YOU'VE NEVER HEARD ANYONE SPEAKING IN THE LANGUAGE THAT IS SPIRITUAL YOU WILL BE EVEN MORE SURPRISED WHEN YOU YOURSELF BEGIN TO SPEAK IT



HOLY SPIRIT

THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST IS FULL OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT. AS ONE OF THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF THIS CHURCH, AND THE PERSON WHO PUT THIS HANDBOOK TOGETHER, UP UNTIL I CAME HERE, MY WIFE AND ONE OTHER PERSON I EVER KNEW HAD THE HOLY SPIRIT AND SPOKE IN TONGUES. MY WIFE HAS BEEN SPEAKING IN TONGUES 10 YEARS.

BEFORE PHOJC, WE WERE AT OUR LAST CHURCH FOR 12 YEARS. DURING THAT TIME, WE VISITED DOZENS OF OTHER CHURCHES, ATTENDED VARIOUS CHURCH PROGRAMS AND FUNCTIONS, BUT I WAS TRULY SURPRISED WHEN WE FIRST CAME TO THE POTTER'S HOUSE, AND THERE WERE SO MANY PEOPLE SPEAKING IN TONGUES, INCLUDING YOUTH, THAT TEARS JUST CAME OUT OF MY EYES UNCONTROLLABLY. WHY? BECAUSE I KNEW I HAD FOUND THE ONE THING THAT HAD BEEN MISSING IN MY LIFE, MY WALK, MY FAITH.

WITHOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT WE CANNOT GET INTO HEAVEN. AND I HAD ALWAYS BEEN WORRIED THAT BECAUSE I COULDN'T SPEAK IN TONGUES THAT I WASN'T READY YET. THANK GOD, THAT HAS SINCE CHANGED.

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT, PASTOR CLAIBORN, THE FIRST LADY AND MANY OTHER LEADERS IN THE CHURCH ARE WELL EQUIPPED TO HELP YOU RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT. YOU WILL MOST CERTAINLY BE GLAD YOU DID.

READ ACTS CHAPTER 2, IT WILL HELP YOU LEARN AND BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND THE VITAL IMPORTANCE OF RECEIVING THE HOLY SPIRIT.

AGAIN, THE PASTORAL AND MINISTERIAL LEADERS OF THE CHURCH CAN HELP ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT SO YOU SHOULD NOT HESITATE TO ASK.

AS PART
OF THE BODY OF CHRIST
YOU ARE STILL AN INDIVIDUAL
BUT CONSIDERED A VITAL PART
OF THE ENTIRE BODY



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INDIVIDUALITY

INDIVIDUAL PARTS MAKE UP THE WHOLE OF THE BODY OF JESUS CHRIST. EACH PART, WHETHER IT BE THE EYES, HANDS, OR FEET, ARE AS VITAL AS THE OTHERS.

THINK ABOUT IT, THE HANDS CAN'T DO THE JOB OF THE FEET, THE EYES CAN'T DO THE JOB OF THE MOUTH, AND SO ON. EACH PART HAS A PURPOSE.

MAINTAINING YOUR INDIVIDUALITY AS A MEMBER OF THE BODY OF CHRIST, IS JUST AS IMPORTANT AS BEING A PART OF THE WHOLE BODY. WHY? BECAUSE THERE ARE GIFTS THAT YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT WERE NOT GIVEN TO ANYONE ELSE. AND YOU ARE CALLED BY GOD TO BRING THAT GIFT INTO THE CHURCH TO BE A PART OF A LARGER PURPOSE.

IMAGINE A CHURCH WHERE EVERYONE HAD THE EXACT SAME GIFTS. AND THAT GIFT IS AS A SECRETARY. WHO WOULD PREACH? WHO WOULD TEACH? WHO WOULD GREET AND SEAT PEOPLE? WHO WOULD OVERSEE THE OPERATIONS OF THE CHURCH? WHO WOULD CLEAN THE CHURCH? WHO WOULD PLAY THE MUSIC? WHO WOULD SING?

SO YOU CAN SEE, ONE INDIVIDUAL PERSON CANNOT DO ALL THE JOBS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE WHOLE CHURCH. IT TAKES MANY PEOPLE. AND, IT SOMETIMES TAKES PEOPLE WITH MULTIPLE GIFTS TO WEAR MANY HATS UNTIL SOMEONE ELSE COMES ALONG WHO CAN HELP FILL THE GAPS.

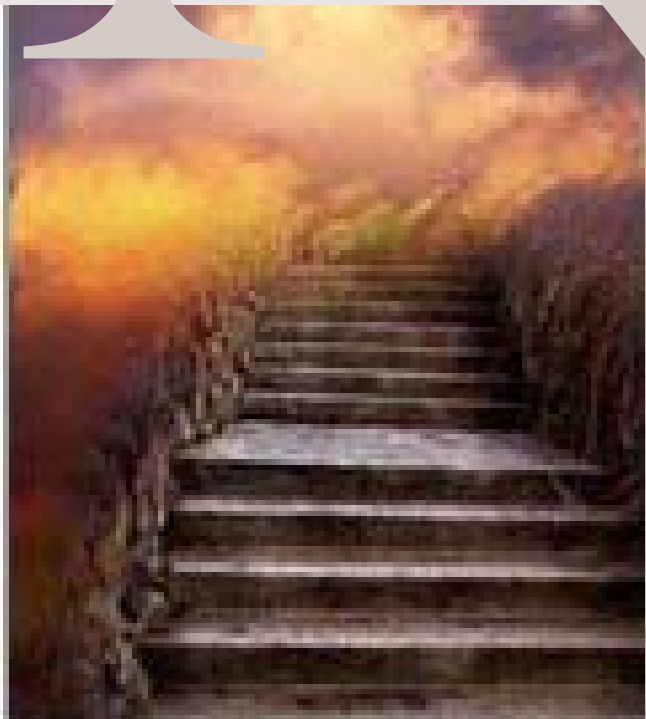
YOUR INDIVIDUALITY IS IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN, BUT YOU MUST ALSO DESIRE TO BECOME PART OF A LARGER BODY OF OTHER CHRISTIANS FOR A MUCH LARGER PURPOSE. GOD'S PURPOSE FOR CHRISTIANS DOESN'T JUST STOP WHEN YOU GET TO YOUR CHURCH. HIS MASTER PLAN IS GLOBAL.

NEWSLETTER

THE PHOJC NEWSLETTER
HEAVENLY CONNECTIONS
IS PUBLISHED QUARTERLY.

CONTACT SIS. BARB AT
IAMREADYFORJESUS@YAHOO.COM
FOR MORE INFORMATION

THE PHOJC NEWSLETTER, HEAVENLY
CONNECTIONS, IS DESIGNED TO GIVE
MEMBERS, NEW MEMBERS, AND THOSE WHO
ARE JUST INTERESTED IN OUR CHURCH UP
TO DATE INFORMATION ABOUT IT. TAKE TIME
TO VISIT THE NEWSLETTER SECTION OF THE
WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST ISSUES.



HEAVENLY CONNECTIONS
A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST

WORDS OF WISDOM

By Pastor Ernest Claiborn

Are you living a broken life? Are you tired of just existing? Are you ready to do something more than just barely make ends meet? Our mission, in Preparing People for Heaven and Living Successful Lives. Part of our ministry is helping you learn how to (1) build and maintain a solid relationship with God through His Son, Jesus Christ, (2) receive the Holy Spirit and (3) use the gifts that He gives to those who are ready to live their lives for Christ. Many Christians go to church Sunday after Sunday, Bible study week after week, but never truly witness the awesome benefits of being a child of God the Father, a follower of Jesus, and having the Holy Spirit. That's why it is our goal to help you live above what others consider normal everyday living, and teach you how to truly live a Christian life. To view this video message, click play, or see it on our website at www.pottershouseofj.org/training.html and start living the way God intends you to.

THE WILDERNESS CRY

A Sermon Video Clip
On 11/28/09 Pastor Claiborn preached about the relationship between God and the baby boys of Abraham and Isaac. When Hagar was driven from the camp and was out of water, it was her cry God heard, it was the cry of the led. Here's a video sample from that sermon. The full sermon can be seen at www.pottershouseofj.org/allsermons.html

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HEAVENLY CONNECTIONS
A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST

MEET OUR MEMBERS

In Action
People just like you and me make up the church. We are the Body of Christ. We invite you to come visit to the Potter's House of Jesus Christ to see just how our members come from different parts of the world, with their problems and concerns, unite it to one doer, and are now putting their faith into action, preparing for Heaven, and living successful lives.

Members of the Potter's House of Jesus Christ come from all parts of the globe, and all walks of life.

In each issue of Heavenly Connections you'll see interviews from a line of our members in a diverse video or audio.

They'll get to share with their fellow members, ministry leaders, and other members who are here to every face of the PHOJC mission.

They'll hear from others, youth, teenagers, and many others that will show their testimony with you. You can see that we are all just normal people who want to live for Jesus Christ through His Son Jesus Christ.

Some of the stories and photos included are provided to include:

- Children
- Teenage girls
- Young couples
- Single women

If you can't visit the website, come see you one of our members interviews and let them on our website: www.pottershouseofj.org/about-us.html

NEXT ISSUE
MEET OUR FIRST LADY

Dr. Sheri Claiborn
For the next issue of Heavenly Connections we are preparing a feature article on our Pastor's wife, Dr. Sheri Claiborn. You'll get to learn more about her from a spiritual and personal level and learn what it takes to be the pastor's wife, mother of four, first lady, church administrator, and how she does it all in Jesus!

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NO SINGLE BRICK THAT IS LAID
TO CREATE A BUILDING
COULD DO THE JOB BY ITSELF

IT TAKES MANY INDIVIDUAL BRICKS
JOINED TOGETHER
TO MAKE THE BUILDING COMPLETE



G I F T S

THERE ARE GIFTS THAT YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT WERE NOT GIVEN TO ANYONE ELSE. AND YOU ARE CALLED BY GOD TO BRING THAT GIFT INTO THE CHURCH TO BE A PART OF A MASTER PLAN THAT GOD HAS, TO USE CHRISTIANS TO GO ALL OVER THE WORLD TO PREACH AND TEACH PEOPLE ABOUT HIS LOVE AND THE SACRIFICE THAT HIS SON JESUS MADE, AND THE EXISTENCE AND WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, TO GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE SAVED FROM THE PENALTY OF SIN AND DEATH WHEN GOD DECIDES TO DESTROY THIS WORLD FOREVER.

EPHESIANS 2:10 SAYS “WE ARE GOD’S WORKMANSHIP, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS TO DO GOOD WORKS, WHICH GOD HATH BEFORE ORDAINED THAT WE SHOULD WALK IN THEM.” THAT’S WHY USING YOUR GIFTS IS IMPORTANT.

ANOTHER SCRIPTURE PUTS IT THIS WAY, “AND HE GAVE SOME PROPHETS, AND SOME EVANGELISTS; AND SOME PASTORS; AND SOME TEACHERS; FOR THE PERFECTING OF THE SAINTS, FOR THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY, FOR THE EDIFYING OF THE BODY OF CHRIST.” (EPHESIANS 4:11-12)

THERE ARE MANY OTHER SCRIPTURES CONCERNING GIFTS GIVEN BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND THE BIBLE EVEN DIRECTS US TO EAGERLY DESIRE THE MORE SPIRITUAL GIFTS, BUT HOW WE USE THE GIFTS AS YOU READ IN VERSES 11 AND 12 IS MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN JUST HAVING THEM.

WHEN YOUR GIFTS ARE USED, THEY PLANT SEEDS OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF JESUS CHRIST IN YOU AND IN OTHERS THAT GROW AND PRODUCE FRUIT SUCH AS LOVE, JOY, PEACE, KINDNESS, GENTLENESS, PATIENCE, ETC. THIS IS HOW YOUR INDIVIDUAL GIFTS ARE USED AS A PART OF A LARGER BODY, IN ORDER TO REACH A MASS OF PEOPLE IN A LOST AND DYING WORLD.

SAYING NO TO YOUR THINGS
YOUR FLESH WANTS
IS WHAT STRENGTHENS YOUR SPIRIT

THE MORE YOU DENY YOUR FLESH
THINGS OF THIS WORLD
THE STRONGER YOU BECOME
IN THE THINGS OF GOD



SACRIFICE

IN JANUARY 2010, THE 10TH YEAR OF PHOJC, PASTOR CLAIBORN CALLED FOR ALL MEMBERS TO REDEDICATE THEMSELVES TO GOD. HE STARTED BY GIVING THE MEMBERS THREE THINGS TO FOCUS ON:

- PERFECTION
- COMPLETION
- PROVISION

THEN HE ASKED THE MEMBERS TO ALL GET ON ONE ACCORD BY FASTING FOR 100 HOURS. AND, DENYING OUR FLESH OF THREE THINGS FOR 30 DAYS:

- SWEETS
- SODAS
- NO EATING AFTER SIX P.M.

THEN HE FED OUR SPIRITS WITH GOD'S WORD THROUGH A SERMON ENTITLED, "TEN". IN THE SERMON HE TOUCHED ON SEVERAL POINTS ABOUT THE NUMBER 10, INCLUDING HOW IN THE PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS, 5 OF THEM WERE WISE ENOUGH TO MAKE THE SACRIFICE OF NOT BURNING THEIR OIL, AND KEPT THEMSELVES READY FOR THE BRIDGROOM TO ARRIVE. THE OTHER 5 WERE FOOLISH, LET THEIR OIL BURN OUT, NEEDED TO GO AND GET MORE, AND MISSED THE BRIDGROOM WHEN HE ARRIVED TO TAKE THEM ALL WITH HIM TO THE NEXT LEVEL.

AS A NEW MEMBER, ARE YOU READY TO MAKE THE SACRIFICES NECESSARY TO KEEP ENOUGH OIL IN YOUR LAMP SO THAT WHEN THE TIME COMES YOU WILL BE ABLE TO LIGHT THE TORCH TO SEE YOUR WAY TO THE NEXT LEVEL?

AS A NEW MEMBER
IT IS VERY LIKELY
THAT YOU WILL HAVE QUESTIONS
ABOUT SOMETHING
PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE
TO ASK



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PROVERBS 4:13 SAYS, "HAPPY IS THE MAN THAT FINDETH WISDOM, AND THE MAN THAT GETTETH UNDERSTANDING."

PROVERBS 4:7 SAYS, "WISDOM IS THE PRINCIPAL THING; THEREFORE GET WISDOM; AND WITH ALL THY GETTING GET UNDERSTANDING."

I HAVE BEEN IN CHURCH ALL MY LIFE. IN 1980 WHEN MY DAD DIED, I LEFT THE CHURCH FOR 17 YEARS AND RETURNED IN 1997. I HAVE BEEN ACTIVE SINCE. I AM 46. IN ALL MY YEARS IN CHURCH, I STILL HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT CERTAIN THINGS AND CERTAIN FUNCTIONS AND CERTAIN PROTOCOL AND CERTAIN PROCESSES. I WILL NEVER STOP SEEKING KNOWLEDGE AND STRIVING TO GAIN WISDOM IN ONE AREA OR ANOTHER. IT HELPS ME GROW IN MORE WAYS THAN ANYONE WILL EVER KNOW.

PASTOR EARNEST CLAIBORN IS THE MOST WISE MAN I HAVE EVER MET IN MY ENTIRE LIFE. HE IS THE 2ND MOST ANOINTED MAN I HAVE EVER HAD THE PLEASURE OF WITNESSING AND HEARING PREACH.

THE ANSWERS HE GIVES TO QUESTIONS, I KNOW COME FROM A LIFE OF WISDOM. AND IT AMAZES ME HOW GOD USES HIM TO SAY JUST THE RIGHT THING AT THE TIME WHEN ME AND OTHERS NEED TO HEAR IT. JAMES 1:5 (KJV) SAYS, "IF ANY OF YOU LACK WISDOM, LET HIM ASK OF GOD..."

AS A NEW MEMBER, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU LISTEN TO PROVERBS 3:5-6. "TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND LEAN NOT UNTO YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING. IN ALL THY WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AND HE SHALL DIRECT THY PATHS." BEING DIRECTED TO THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST WAS A MOVE OF GOD THAT I WILL CHERISH ALL OF MY LIFE.

GOD ORDAINED
FOR YOU TO HAVE
A RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM
THROUGH HIS SON
JESUS CHRIST

IT STARTS WITH HIM GIVING YOU
THE FREE GIFT OF SALVATION

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO
IS ACCEPT IT



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RELATIONSHIPS

EVERY RELATIONSHIP STARTS WITH TWO PEOPLE COMMUNICATING WITH EACH OTHER IN SOME WAY. GOD WANTS TO HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH US AND COMMUNICATE WITH US REGULARLY.

IN FACT, HE WANTED IT SO MUCH THAT HE SACRIFICED HIS ONE AND ONLY SINLESS SON, SO THAT OUR SINS COULD BE ATONED FOR THROUGH THE SHEDDING OF HIS BLOOD. THAT IS WHAT GIVES US ACCESS TO THAT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD. THE BIBLE SAYS WE ARE NOW JOINT HEIRS WITH CHRIST.

RELATIONSHIPS IN THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST ARE NO DIFFERENT. AS A NEW MEMBERS, YOU WILL BEGIN TO COMMUNICATE WITH PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP YOU LEARN TO STRENGTHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND WITH OTHERS.

GOD WANTS EACH OF US TO BE A PART OF HIS FAMILY. HE WANTS A RELATIONSHIP WITH US AS OUR FATHER. OUR PART IN THIS RELATIONSHIP IS TO BE HIS CHILD. AND LIKE ANY CHILD:

WE WILL NEED AND WANT THINGS;
[THE BIBLE SAYS GOD HAS CATTLE ON A THOUSAND HILLS]

WE WILL MAKE MISTAKES AND NEED DISCIPLINE;
[THE BIBLE SAYS GOD DISCIPLINES THOSE HE LOVES]

WE WILL LEARN TO LOVE GOD LIKE WE LOVE NO ONE ELSE;
[THE BIBLE SAYS WE MUST WORSHIP GOD IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH]

THE ONE WHO DIED SO THAT YOU COULD LIVE WANTS TO GET TO KNOW YOU.

BIBLE SCHOOL IS THE WAY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT GOD, JESUS, THE HOLY SPIRIT AND YOUR NEW WALK IN CHRIST

BIBLE SCHOOL IS HELD AT THE PHOJC MULTIPLEX CENTER AT 9615 GIRARD AVE. S. IN BLOOMINGTON

FOR A MAP VISIT OUR WEBSITE



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EDUCATION

EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT 7 P.M. MEMBERS OF THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST COME TOGETHER TO LEARN, STUDY, AND GET EDUCATED ABOUT GOD. SCRIPTURE SAYS "MY PEOPLE ARE DESTROYED FOR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE..." [HOSEA 4:6]

THROUGH THE USE OF THE BIBLE, AND OTHER TEACHING TOOLS, PASTOR CLAIBORN, FIRST LADY DR. HAZEL CLAIBORN, AND THE PHOJC TEACHERS BRING LESSONS TO THE TABLE THAT HELP FEED US AS SHEEP.

BIBLE SCHOOL EDUCATION IS VITAL TO THE GROWTH OF EVERY CHRISTIAN. AND WE INVITE EVERY MEMBER TO COME AND LEARN WITH US SO THAT WE CAN ALL GROW TOGETHER. CLASSES ARE:

- PRIMARY
- PRE-TEEN
- TEEN
- ADULT

IF YOU CAN'T MAKE ON WEDNESDAY EVENING FOR BIBLE SCHOOL, CLASSES ARE ALSO HELD DURING THE DAY ON WEDNESDAY AT NOON AT THE MULTIPLEX.

GETTING EDUCATED IN GOD'S WORD STARTS BY MAKING THE SACRIFICE OF TIME TO COME TO CLASS. THE TEACHERS WILL TAKE IT FROM THERE, AND GOD WILL HANDLE THE REST.

PART OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S JOB IS TO GUIDE US INTO ALL TRUTH. SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW, WE'LL HELP YOU LEARN SO YOU DO.

P R A Y E R

MANY MEMBERS
OF PHOJC
HAVE BEEN PRAYING TOGETHER
OVER THE PHONE
LATE AT NIGHT
OF EARLY IN THE MORNING
FOR MANY YEARS

PRAYER REQUEST LINE
952.944.1425



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MEMBERS OF THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST HAVE FORMED RELATIONSHIPS WITH EACH OTHER THROUGH PRAYER.

AS PRAYER PARTNERS, TWO MEMBERS, OR A GROUP OF MEMBERS, COME TOGETHER IN PERSON, OR ON THE PHONE, TO PRAY ABOUT MANY THINGS.

IF YOU LISTEN TO THE TESTIMONY OF THE MEMBERS, YOU WILL SEE THAT THIS PROCESS HAS HELPED MANY OF THEM GROW BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS OVER WHAT THEY WERE USED TO TRADITIONALLY AT OTHER CHURCHES.

PRAYER CHANGES THINGS. GOD HEARS THE CRY OF THOSE HE'S CONNECTED TO. IT IS HOW WE COMMUNICATE WITH GOD AND HOW WE CAST OUR CARES UPON HIM BECAUSE HE CARES FOR US. THE PRAYERS OF A RIGHTEOUS MAN AVAILETH MUCH. THAT MEANS THEY GET THROUGH. THEY HAVE IMPACT. THEY REACH GOD IN A WAY THAT OTHERS CANNOT.

AS A NEW MEMBER, GIVE YOUR SELF CONTINUALLY TO PRAYER AND WATCH IT BEGIN TO CHANGE THINGS IN YOUR LIFE.

ASK SOMEONE, CONNECT WITH SOMEONE, FIND A PRAYER PARTNER OR A PRAYER GROUP AND WATCH WHAT HAPPENS.

BE COMMITTED TO PRAYER. STAY COMMITTED TO PRAYER. STAY PRAYED UP. IT HELPS STRENGTHEN YOUR DEFENSES AGAINST ANYTHING THE DEVIL TRIES TO THROW AT YOU. YOU WILL FIND THAT PRAYER IS A VALUABLE TOOL IN THE WALK AS A NEW MEMBER AND IT CAN AND WILL HELP YOU THROUGH MANY SITUATIONS. SO GET IN YOUR PRAYER CLOSET AND START TALKING TO GOD. DON'T WORRY ABOUT NOT KNOWING HOW TO PRAY, WE WILL HELP YOU LEARN.

OUTREACH

DO YOU HAVE A GIFT
THAT CAN HELP
FURTHER THE EFFORTS
OF THE
TV MINISTRY OR WEBSITE

IF YOU DO
PLEASE CONTACT
PASTOR CLAIBORN
952.944.1425

OUTREACH IS VITAL TO ANY CHURCH OR MINISTRY. IT IS ONE WAY THAT THOSE WHO ARE STILL LOST IN THIS DYING WORLD FIND OUT THAT YOU EXIST. IT IS HOW OTHERS WHO ARE SEARCHING FOR A WAY TO START THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, CAN BEGIN THEIR WALK.

PHOJC'S OUTREACH INCLUDES OUR TELEVISION MINISTRY AND OUR WEBSITE. THESE TWO TOOLS HELP US REACH MASSES OF PEOPLE WHO MAY NOT EVER PHYSICALLY COME TO WORSHIP WITH US IN PERSON. OUR TELEVISION MINISTRY IS COMPRISED OF FIVE SEGMENTS:

- WELCOME
[CONTAINS A WELCOME FROM THE FIRST LADY AND MEMBERS]
- WISDOM
[FEATURES WORDS OF WISDOM FROM PASTOR CLAIBORN]
- WORD
[THE SERMON]
- WITNESS
[PRAISE AND WORSHIP, TESTIMONY, AND SONG]
- WATERING
[THE CLOSING PRAYER AND INVITATION TO CHRIST]

THE PHOJC WEBSITE CONTAINS A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF INFORMATION THAT ANYONE ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD CAN VIEW. WE ARE CREATING A PROJECT TO UTILIZE THE INTERNET TO REACH PEOPLE WHO CONSTANTLY GET THEIR INFORMATION FROM PLACES SUCH AS FACEBOOK AND MYSPACE BY UPLOADING SERMON CLIPS, SONGS FROM OUR CHOIRS, VIDEO OF INTERVIEWS WITH OUR MEMBERS, AND OTHER BITS OF INFORMATION THAT CAN HELP REPLACE THE UNGODLY IMAGES PEOPLE SEE WITH WHAT IS GODLY.



PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT PAGE OF THIS HANDBOOK IS THIS ONE

WHY?

BECAUSE IT TELLS YOU WHEN WE COME TOGETHER AND WORSHIP GOD



SERVICES

THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST SERVICES ARE DETAILED IN THE CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE, AND IN THE WEEKLY BULLETIN AT CHURCH ON SUNDAY.

HERE IS A BRIEF LIST OF OUR WORSHIP AND EDUCATION SERVICES:

SUNDAY

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE 12:30

WEDNESDAY

FAMILY BIBLE SCHOOL 12:00 NN

FAMILY BIBLE SCHOOL 7:00

FRIDAY

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE 7:00

COMMUNION

IS NORMALLY DONE 4 TIMES PER YEAR ON EVERY MAJOR CHRISTIAN HOLIDAY

EASTER

THANKSGIVING

CHRISTMAS

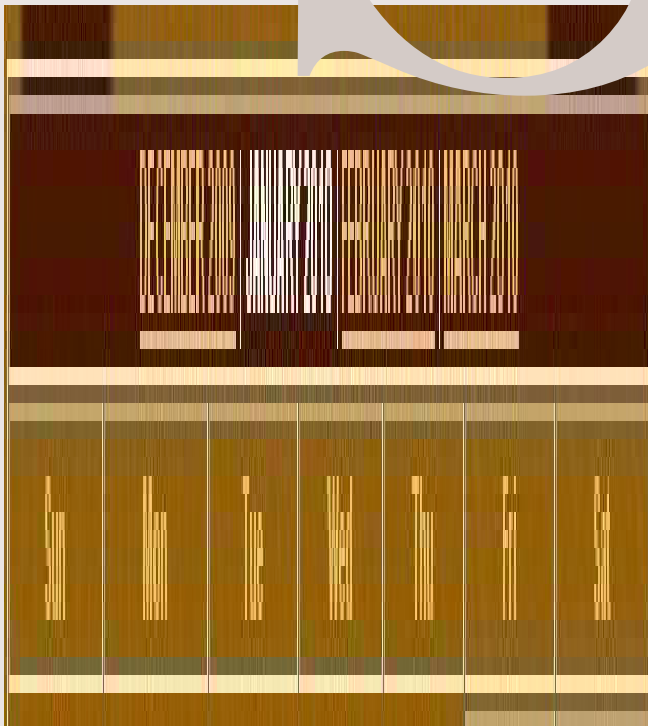
NEW YEAR'S WATCH NIGHT

THE CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE HAS UNDERLINED LINKS THAT OPEN WINDOWS THAT CONTAIN MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM OR EVENT

SCHEDULE

EVERY WEEK, OUR CHURCH BULLETIN CONTAINS UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON THE SCHEDULED SERVICES, PROGRAMS AND EVENTS PERTAINING TO THE PHOJC. HOWEVER, THE CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE IS WHERE YOU CAN OBTAIN A MORE DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INFORMATION ON OUR SCHEDULE. ON OUR CALENDAR, THERE IS ALSO A SECTION FOR EVENTS THAT CONTAINS FLYERS FOR EVERY SCHEDULED EVENT OF PHOJC.

HERE'S A PREVIEW OF OUR CALENDAR.



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Calendar
Click on underlined events for details. To add meetings or events, contact church administrator Dr. Claborn.

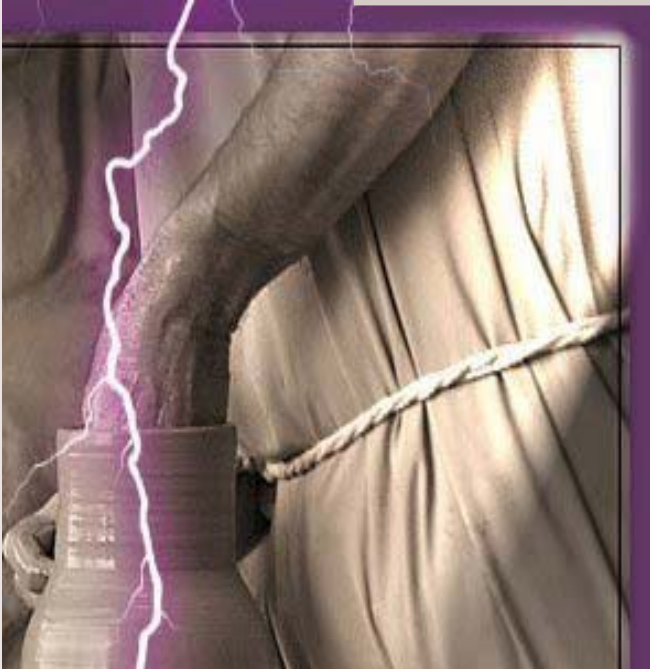
LARGE CALENDAR							EVENT CALENDAR	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
1 Worship 12:30 - Brotherhood Day	2 <u>Rededication</u> - 2010 Begins	3	4 Bible Study - 7:00 P.M.	5	6 Worship - 7:00 P.M.	7	8 Olive rehearsal - 3:00 P.M.	
8 Worship 12:30 - Youth Day	9	10 Ministry & - Comm 8:30	11 Bible Study - 7:00 P.M.	12	13 Worship - 7:00 P.M.	14	15 Olive rehearsal - 3:00 P.M.	
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Thursday, January 5, 2010

ANY CHURCH OR MINISTRY
THAT CLOSES IT EARS
TO THE
VOICE OF ITS MEMBERS
CANNOT BE SERVING GOD

PHOJC WELCOMES
INPUT AND IDEAS
FROM OUR MEMBERS



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I N P U T

AS A NEW MEMBER, THERE IS NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT TO US THAN YOUR INPUT. ALTHOUGH GOD ORDAINED US TO START THIS CHURCH AND ITS MINISTRIES, AGAIN, WITHOUT NEW MEMBERS, AND THEIR INPUT, ANY CHURCH WOULD MOST LIKELY CEASE TO OPERATE.

WE SEEK GOD'S DIRECTION FOR EVERY STEP WE TAKE. AND WE SEEK THE INPUT FROM OUR MEMBERS ON WHAT THEY SEE AS RESULTS OF THOSE STEPS. YOU ARE OUR EYES AND EARS. WE CANNOT SEE OR KNOW IT ALL.

FOR EXAMPLE, WHILE WE ARE PREACHING, WE CANNOT SEE WHAT IS HAPPENING IN CERTAIN PLACES, SO WE NEED INPUT FROM YOU TO POINT THAT OUT. WHILE WE ARE TEACHING, WE CANNOT SEE EVERYTHING THAT IS HAPPENING IN EVERY PART OF THE CLASSROOM SO WE NEED INPUT FROM YOU IF WE ARE TO MAKE THE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE YOU RECEIVE FROM US TO BE THE BEST IT CAN BE.

WE INVITE YOUR INPUT IN MANY WAYS. HERE ARE A FEW:

- HELP US CREATE NEW WAYS OF MAKING THE CHURCH BETTER
- OFFER IDEAS THAT CAN BUILD NEW MINISTRIES TO IMPACT MORE PEOPLE
- USE YOUR GIFTS TO HELP CREATE MATERIALS THAT CAN BE USEFUL TO GOD IN THE AREA OF CHURCH OR MINISTRY SUCH AS OUR WEBSITE, OR TELEVISION MINISTRY OR BULLETIN OR OTHER DESIGN ENHANCEMENTS.
- TELL US ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE SINCE YOU'VE JOINED THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST.

THE START OF THE PROCESS
TOWARD SALVATION
IS BAPTISM

JESUS EXPLAINED IT
TO NICODEMUS
AND ACTS 2:38
HAS THE DETAIL



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BAPTISM

AT THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST, WE FIRMLY BELIEVE IN THE PROCESS OF BAPTISM. WE BELIEVE IT IS A NECESSARY COMPONENT IN THE PREPARATION OF GOING TO HEAVEN.

ON SATURDAYS, WHEN WE HAVE CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM, WE ANNOUNCE IT DURING THE SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, TO INFORM THE CONGREGATION. THEN, WE WORK WITH THE INDIVIDUAL(S) BEING BAPTIZED IN ORDER TO HELP THEM FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THE IMMERSION IN WATER TRULY MEANS.

AS A NEW MEMBERS, IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY BEEN BAPTIZED "IN THE NAME OF JESUS", WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL THINK ABOUT IT, AND WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO STRONGLY CONSIDER BEING BAPTIZED IN JESUS NAME.

WE BELIEVE THERE IS NO OTHER WAY TO BAPTIZE. READ THE FIRST FEW CHAPTERS OF ACTS AND YOU WILL BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE MEAN.

WATER BAPTISM IS AN OUTWARD SIGN OF THE START OF AN INWARD CHANGE. AT EVERY WATER BAPTISM MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE, SOMETHING TOOK PLACE TO CHANGE THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE PERSON BEING BAPTIZED, AND/OR THE PEOPLE AROUND THEM.

WE KNOW, FROM EXPERIENCE, THAT IT CAN CHANGE YOU TOO.

LET US PROVIDE YOU WITH THE INFORMATION NECESSARY FOR YOU TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION TO COMMIT YOURSELF TO THE BAPTISM PROCESS SO THAT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY CAN CELEBRATE THIS LIFE-CHANGING EVENT TOGETHER. CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION ONCE YOU ARE READY TO BE WASHED IN THE WATER THAT REPRESENTS THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB!

SINCE WE BEGAN IN 2000
PHOJC IS EXPERIENCING
STEADY GROWTH

WE RECENTLY OPENED A NEW
MULTIPLEX CENTER
TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR OUR OFFICES
CLASSES AND OTHER ACTIVITIES



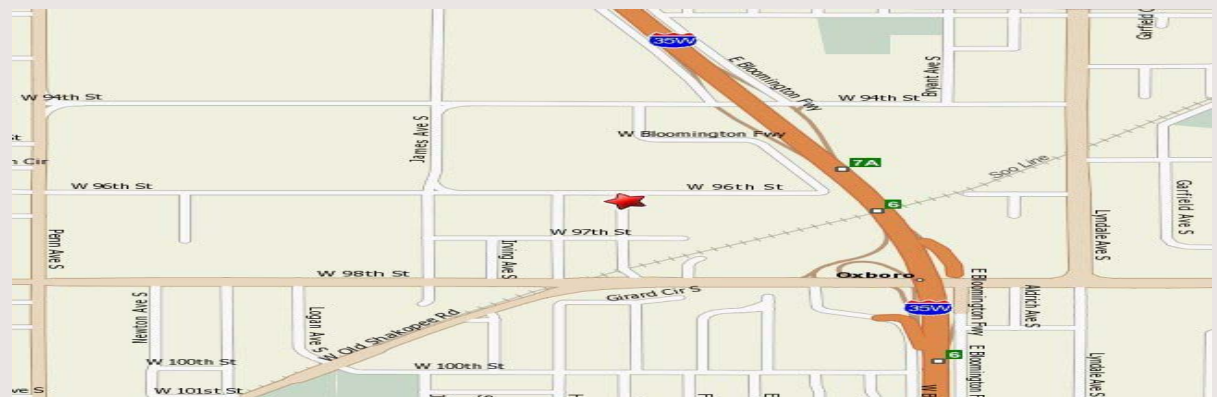
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HELPING OTHERS
TO HEAR OR LEARN
ABOUT JESUS
IS OUR MISSION



EVANGELISM

THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST TAKES THE GREAT COMMISSION SERIOUSLY. WE OFTEN HOLD EVENTS TO EVANGELIZE TO OTHERS ABOUT THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.

OUR EVANGELISM TEAM MEMBERS CREATE FLYERS, POSTERS, BANNERS, POSTCARDS, AND OTHER MATERIAL TO HAND OUT DURING THESE EVENTS. WE BELIEVE THAT REACHING OUT TO PEOPLE THIS WAY DOES TWO THINGS:

- REMINDS THEM THAT THERE IS STILL A CHANCE TO CHOOSE JESUS AS LORD AND SAVIOR
- CAUSES THEM TO THINK ABOUT THEIR OWN LIFE IF THEY AREN'T IN A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST
- CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE CAUSE OF CHRIST BY HELPING TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST TO ALL NATIONS

AS A NEW MEMBER, YOU CAN GET INVOLVED IN THIS AREA BY PARTICIPATING IN EVENTS SUCH AS OUR WORD WALKERS DAY, OR OUR OUTING WHERE OUR CHOIRS SING AT THE MALL OF AMERICA.

SUCH PROGRAMS, SERVICES AND EVENTS HELP EVEN IF WE ONLY REACH ONE PERSON AT A TIME.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HOW YOU, AS A NEW MEMBER, WILL GET INVOLVED IN THE CHURCH AND THE MINISTRY BY BECOMING ACTIVE IN AREAS OF NEED SUCH AS EVANGELISM.

TOPICS FOR STUDY

TOPIC 1

WORD OF GOD

JOHN 1:1- TELLS US “IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD, THE WORD WAS WITH GOD AND THE WORD WAS GOD.” SO GOD IS HIS WORD. WE BELIEVE IT IS TRUE IN ITS ENTIRETY. THE BIBLE IS IN ESSENCE THE MIND OF GOD. IT IS WHO GOD IS AND WHAT GOD IS ALL ABOUT. YOU CAN NOT SEPARATE GOD FROM HIS WORD. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW GOD, YOU MUST KNOW HIS WORD. THE BIBLE IS THE INSPIRED WORD OF GOD WRITTEN BY THE HANDS OF MEN AS GOD DIRECTED THEM. (II TIM. 3:16)

TOPIC 2

JESUS CHRIST, HUMAN AND DIVINE

JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD AND HE ALSO IS GOD IN THE FLESH. HE WAS BOTH HUMAN AND DIVINE. (I TIM. 3:16)- TELL US “GREAT IS THE MYSTERY OF GODLINESS: GOD WAS MANIFEST IN THE FLESH..” MANIFEST MEANS TO BE MADE FLESH. IN OTHER WORDS, GOD WHO IS A SPIRIT WAS MADE FLESH IN THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST AND WAS BORN OF A VIRGIN, DWELT ON EARTH, DIED FOR OUR SINS, RESURRECTED HIMSELF IN 3 DAYS, AND ASCENDED BACK INTO HEAVEN. (ST.JOHN 14:7-9)

TOPIC 3

HOLY (SPIRIT) GHOST

THE HOLY GHOST IS THE SPIRIT OF GOD THAT COMES TO GIVE US POWER TO LIVE HOLY (ACTS 1:8). WHEN YOU RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST, YOU WILL SPEAK IN OTHER TONGUES AS THE SPIRIT EMPOWERS YOU (ACTS 1:4). THE HOLY GHOST IS FOR EVERYONE (ACTS 2:39), AND YOU MUST HAVE IN ORDER TO MAKE IT TO HEAVEN. (ST. JOHN 3:5) YOU CAN RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST BY REPENTING AND BEING SINCERE IN YOUR HEART AND ASK GOD TO GIVE YOU HIS HOLY SPIRIT, AND HE WILL. YOU WILL BEGIN TO HEAR YOURSELF SPEAK IN TONGUES (A DIFFERENT LANGUAGE) AND YOU WON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE SAYING, BECAUSE YOU ARE SPEAKING DIRECTLY TO GOD IN HIS HEAVENLY LANGUAGE (I COR. 14:2) (ACTS 10:44-46) (ACTS 19:1-6)

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO TALK TO PASTOR CLAIBORN, DR. H. CLAIBORN, OR EVANG. M. COTTON, IF YOU NEED OR THINK YOU NEED THE HOLY GHOST AND THEY WILL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO WORK WITH YOU TO RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST. ALSO YOU CAN COME UP DURING ANY OF THE CHURCH ALTAR CALL (AT THE END OF THE PREACHING) TO RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT.

TOPICS FOR STUDY

TOPIC 4 REPENTANCE

THE PURPOSE OF REPENTANCE IS TO BE GODLY SORRY AND TURN FOR YOUR WICKED AND SINNING WAYS. GOD WILL ACCEPT YOUR REPENTANCE WHEN YOU ARE SINCERE FROM YOUR HEART. REPENTANCE IS ONE OF THE FIRST STEPS TO BECOMING SAVED. (ACTS 2:38), (ST.MARK 1:15) (I JOHN 1:9)

TOPIC 5 WATER BAPTISM IN JESUS NAME

WE BAPTIZE BY IMMERSION, TAKING A PERSON UNDER WATER VERY QUICKLY, JUST AS JESUS WAS BAPTIZED BY JOHN THE BAPTIST. JESUS TOLD NICODEMUS, "YOU MUST BE BORN OF THE WATER AND OF THE SPIRIT. THE PURPOSE OF WATER BAPTISM IN JESUS NAME IS TO CLEANSE AND REMOVE (REMISSION) YOUR SINS (ACTS 2:38). DURING ALTAR CALL, YOU CAN COME UP TO BE BAPTIZE IN JESUS NAME AND WE WILL ARRANGE AT A LATER TIME TO BAPTIZE YOU IN JESUS NAME. (ACTS 10:47-48), (EPH. 4:5)

TOPIC 6 IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

PRAYER IS ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPONS WE HAVE. WHEN YOU PRAY GOD IS NOT CONCERNED ABOUT HOW ARTICULATE YOU SPEAK. HE JUST WANTS TO HEAR WHAT IS ON YOUR MIND AND HEART. PRAYER BUILDS UP YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND IT BRINGS YOU CLOSER TO GOD THE MORE TIME YOU SPEND WITH HIM IN PRAYER. IF YOU WILL HUMBLE YOURSELF AND PRAY GOD WILL BLESS YOU, YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND EVEN OUR WORLD (II CHRONICLES 7:14). PRAYER SHOULD BE A PART OF YOUR DAILY LIFE. YOU SHOULD SET ASIDE CERTAIN TIMES TO PRAY EVERYDAY. IN OTHER WORDS, MAKE YOURSELF A DAILY PRAYER SCHEDULE AND PRAY AT THOSE CERTAIN TIMES. IF YOU ARE NOT USED TO PRAYING, START OFF SMALL AND PROGRESS AS YOU BECOME MORE ACCUSTOMED TO PRAYING. EXAMPLE: YOU COULD START OFF BY PRAYING 5 MINUTES IN THE MORNING, 5 MINUTES ON YOUR LUNCH BREAK OR NOON, AND 5 MINUTES BEFORE YOU GO TO SLEEP AT NIGHT. THIS IS ONLY 15 MINUTES A DAY. IF YOU ARE ALREADY USED TO PRAYING TRY 15 OR 30 MINUTES THREE TIMES A DAY. (LUKE 6:12) (ACTS 3:1) (MARK 1:35) **I AM ENCOURAGING NEW MEMBERS TO GET ON ONE OF OUR PRAYER TEAMS. FOR MORE INFO TALK TO SIS. SHIRLEY MACDONALD.**

TOPICS FOR STUDY

TOPIC 7

FASTING

FASTING IS SETTING ASIDE TIME IN WHICH ABSTAIN FROM FOOD, WATER, AND/OR OTHER THINGS THAT OUR FLESH LOVES TO DO. FASTING BRINGS YOUR BODY (FLESH) UNDER CONTROL, SO THAT YOUR SPIRITUAL MAN (PERSON) CAN TAKE CONTROL. FASTING STRENGTHENS YOU SPIRITUALLY. (MATT. 6:16-18) (MATT. 17:21) WE HAVE A GENERAL EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT 8P.M. UNTIL WEDNESDAY AT 12 NOON. WE DO NOT EAT ANY FOOD, BUT IT IS OK TO DRINK WATER DURING THIS FAST. YOU DON'T HAVE TO FAST AT TIME PARTICULAR TIME; YOU CAN CHOOSE ANOTHER DAY AND TIMES. ALSO YOU SHOULD SET ASIDE SOME TIME TO PRAY, AND READ YOUR BIBLE, IF YOU ARE AT WORK OR SCHOOL, YOU COULD USE YOUR BREAK TIME. THIS FAST IS TO KEEP US REMINDED TO FAST AS A CHURCH, BUT I ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO SET ASIDE OTHER TIMES FOR FASTING IN ADDITION TO THIS FAST. YOU CAN EVEN GET SOMEONE TO FAST WITH YOU.

TOPIC 8

FAITH

FAITH IS VERY IMPORTANT TO GOD (HEB. 11:6), BECAUSE FAITH IS BELIEVING IN SOMETHING YOU CANNOT SEE, FEEL AND TOUCH IT (HEB. 11:1). YOUR FAITH SHOWS GOD THAT YOU ARE PUTTING YOUR TRUST IN HIM AND NOT IN YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE. YOU MUST HAVE FAITH IN ORDER FOR GOD TO ANSWER YOUR PRAYERS. WHATEVER YOU ASK GOD FOR YOU MUST BELIEVE THAT HE WILL DO IT FOR YOU EVEN BEFORE YOU PRAY. ALL SAINTS MUST HAVE FAITH IN GOD, IT IS A REQUIREMENT. ST. MARK 9:23

TOPIC 9

ABSTAIN FROM SIN

SIN IS WHEN YOU TRANSGRESS OR DISOBEY THE WORD OF GOD (1 JOHN 3:4). SIN SEPARATES YOU FROM GOD AND WHEN YOU SIN YOU MUST BE QUICK TO REPENT AND BE WILLING TO STAY AWAY THAT WHICH CAUSED YOU TO SIN. **FORNICATION** IS HAVING SEX WITH SOMEONE YOU ARE NOT MARRIED TO. THIS IS SIN ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE. SHACKING USUALLY LEADS TO FORNICATION, THEREFORE IF YOU ARE NOT MARRIED, YOU SHOULD NOT BE LIVING TOGETHER. SHACKING IS WHEN A COUPLE WHO IS NOT MARRIED BUT LIVING TOGETHER. WHEN YOU FORNIFICATE, YOU ARE SINNING AGAINST YOUR BODY. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SAINTS AND SINNERS IS THAT SAINTS PRACTICE LIVING HOLY AND ACCORDING TO THE WORD OF GOD. DO YOUR VERY BEST TO STAY AWAY FROM ANYONE OR ANYTHING THAT CAUSES YOU TO SIN.

TOPICS FOR STUDY

TOPIC 9
...CONTINUED

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO SIN LYING, GOSSIP, BACKBITE, JEALOUSY, MURDER, HATRED, ENVY, LUST, UNFORGIVENESS, ADULTERY, FORNICATION, SMOKING CIGARETTES, DOING DRUGS, ALCOHOL. YOUR BODY IS THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY GHOST, DO NOT DEFILE IT. **YOU CAN ALWAYS FEEL FREE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH THE PASTOR TO CONFESS YOUR SINS.** (I COR.6:13-20), (I JOHN 1:9)

TOPIC 10

HEALINGS AND MIRACLES

WE BELIEVE IN DIVINE HEALING AND MIRACLES THROUGH PRAYER AND LAYING ON OF HANDS IN JESUS NAME (MARK 16:17-18). WE HAVE HEALING AND DELIVERANCE SERVICES HERE AT THE POTTER'S HOUSE OF JESUS CHRIST. WE HAVE HAD PEOPLE WHO TESTIFIED HERE ABOUT THE MIRACLES AND HEALINGS THEY HAVE EXPERIENCED WHILE IN OUR SERVICES THROUGH THE POWER OF GOD. THIS IS A CHURCH OF MIRACLES AND BLESSINGS OF ALL KINDS WHERE THE ANOINTING POWER OF GOD IS AT WORK!!!
ST. LUKE 10:19

TOPIC 11

TRUTH ABOUT HEAVEN AND HELL

THERE IS A HEAVEN AND A HELL. HEAVEN IS RESERVED FOR THE RIGHTEOUS, THOSE WHO HAVE PREPARED THEMSELVES FOR GOD BY LIVING HOLY ACCORDING TO HIS WORD. HELL WAS PREPARED FOR THE DEVIL AND THE FALLEN ANGELS THAT TRIED TO OVERTHROW GOD IN HEAVEN, BUT THOSE WHO DO NOT LIVE ACCORDING TO THE WORD OF GOD WILL BE SENT TO HELL (LUKE 16:22-23) (REV. CHAPTER 20)

TOPIC 12

TITHES AND OFFERINGS - KEYS TO BLESSINGS

EVERYONE SHOULD PAY THEIR TITHES AND GIVE AN OFFERING. YOUR TITHES IS 10% OF YOUR INCREASE THAT INCLUDE MONEY THAT YOU EARN FROM WORKING AND MONEY YOU GET WHEN SOMEONE BLESSES YOU (ALL INCOME) ALSO. THE BIBLE SAYS YOU WILL BE CURSED WITH A CURSE, IF YOU DO NOT PAY YOUR TITHES (MALACHI 3:9). BUT IF YOU PAY YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS YOU WILL BE BLESSED, BECAUSE GOD SAID HE WILL OPEN UP THE WINDOWS OF HEAVEN AND POUR YOU OUT A BLESSING THAT YOU WON'T HAVE ROOM ENOUGH TO RECEIVE IT (MALACHI 3:10). MAL. 3:8-10, II COR. 9:6-7 GIVING IS YOUR KEY TO BEING BLESSED. LUKE 6:38- TELL US TO "GIVE AND IT SHALL BE GIVEN UNTO YOU."

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