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## THE COMMON SALVATION

**"Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the Common Salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."** (Jude 3)

Though his mind was changed, Jude originally purposed to write regarding "the common salvation." "Contending for the faith," however, became the theme for this last epistle of the Holy Writ. So, we might ask, "What is this common salvation?" "What makes salvation common?" Salvation is common because of its:

**COMMON SOURCE.** The source of man's salvation is God. "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8) Through the power of God in the blood shed by Jesus Christ, man, when obedient to the commands of God, receives the forgiveness of past sins (Romans 6:4; Acts 2:38). Man cannot earn his salvation by his own works of righteousness

**COMMON INVITATION.** All men are invited to be saved. "Every creature" of "all nations" is subject to the Lord's invitation (Mark 16:15; Matt. 28:19). God is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (II Peter 3:9). Therefore, Jesus invites all, "Come unto me all ye that are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11:28)

**COMMON NEED.** Everyone of accountable age is in need of salvation. "There is none righteous, no, not one" (Romans 3:10). "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. (Romans 3:23). Man separates himself from God by his own sin (Isaiah 59:1,2). The need of salvation, therefore, is universal.

**COMMON THEME.** From the time when humanity first became involved in sin (Genesis 3:15) until the close of the New Testament there is one common thread that runs through the Bible, the redeeming of mankind. Finally, the promises were fulfilled and salvation became available through Jesus Christ on the day of Pentecost in Acts 2. This message of salvation was then proclaimed throughout the word in anticipation of the glories of heaven. Lester Kamp

We would like all of our Guests to join our members in filling out an attendance card so that we might have a record of your visit.

There are two things that we would like to explain to you about our worship service. Our singing is *acappella* or *without accompaniment*. Although instruments of music were used by the Jews in the Old Testament, they are conspicuously absent in the church of the New Testament. We are told to, "Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord." (Ephesians 5:19)

We partake of the *Lord's supper* or *Communion* every Sunday as the early church did (Acts 21:7). The partaking of the bread and the fruit of the vine is a weekly memorial that reminds us of what our Savior did for us. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

## WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

### HEAR (Luke 11: 28)

But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

### BELIEVE (Mark 16: 16)

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."

### REPENT (Acts 2: 38)

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit"

### CONFESS (Matthew 10: 32)

"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven."

### BE BAPTIZED (Acts 22: 16)

"And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord."

### WELCOME VISITORS:

We are so glad you decided to be here today! It is always such a blessing to be able to meet you and be encouraged by your presence. Thank you for coming our way.

### FOR THE CHILDREN:

Children's Worship Bulletins are available at the back for ages 3-6 and ages 7-12.

Attended Nursery for infants through age two. Parents may leave their children in the nursery before the worship service begins.

A Training Room for parents to use anytime during the worship service is also provided across the hall from the attended nursery.

### For Your Convenience:

Hearing aid devices are available and may be received from the attendant in the sound room at the rear of the auditorium.



## Prayer List

- ❖ **Carmie Green** will be discussing treatments plans with local doctors.
- ❖ **Eliabeth Tubbs** has been released from the hospital.
- ❖ **Anne Gunter** is having lung problems.
- ❖ **Rebecca Allen** had surgery on Friday.
- ❖ **Chuck Miller** has some health problems.
- ❖ **Chris Dale** has a broken toe.
- ❖ **Marvin McElwain**, is in Florida Hospital in Orlando, room 8230.
- ❖ **Pray for Winter Members** as they begin to return.
- ❖ **Helen Piety**, our shut-in.

### EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

- ❖ **Cindy LaForte**, sister of Mary Welsh, is in the final stages of cancer.
- ❖ **Carol Underwood**, a neighbor of Chuck and Mary Jo Miller, had surgery for cancer.
- ❖ **Ken Joines** will be having knee surgery on 11/28.
- ❖ **Wayne Perry** is at home recuperating from surgery.
- ❖ **Glenda Friend**, sister of Carol Johnson, is at home.
- ❖ Glen and Joanne Wooters' son, **Carolyn Shook**, cousin of Betty Parker, shows some improvement, **Sherry (Johnson) Brown**, ex daughter-in-law of Harry and Carol Johnson, **Donna Coandrea** and **Marilyn Martin**, friends of Mary Welsh are all currently undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ❖ **Millie Shields** will be having surgery on her hip later this month.
- ❖ **John Stanley**, brother of Mary Jo Miller, is in poor health.
- ❖ **Dennis Fauble**, cousin of Tracey Stalter, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer..
- ❖ **Wayne Adkins**, brother of Carl Adkins, is improving following a serious heart attack.
- ❖ **Lynn Einfeldt**, father of Rachel Capps, has returned to the Palms from the Florida Hospital.
- ❖ **Randy Showalter**, friend of Patty Massey, has a brain tumor.

### MISSION EFFORTS

- ❖ **Anil Tejpaal and family and Javeed Ally** in Guyana.
- ❖ **Vovo Shoot and family and Dema Galook and family** in Chernovtsy.
- ❖ **F. H. & Becky Gates** in Brazil

## Our Record: November 5, 2006

Bible Study	88
Sunday AM Worship	114
Sunday PM Worship	82
Contribution	\$2842
Wednesday Bible Study	92
Building Fund	\$0
Ukraine Building Fund	\$40
F.H. Gates	\$0
Special Mission – Guyana	\$92
World Bible Translation (Ladies Class)	\$0
Clothing Room/Pantry 11/09	23

### Upcoming Birthdays



Valree Weaver	11/23
Paul Talbert	11/23
Shannon Ritenour	11/26
Sterling Allen	11/26
Darlene Sutton	11/29
Julie Fowler	11/30

### Upcoming Anniversary

Cliff & Ruby Blain	11/14
Clark & Elsie Gannon	11/21
Chuck & Mary Jo Miller	11/23
Ernie & Mary Jane Zink	11/23

### Visitors for November 5, 2006

John and Evelyn Sims  
 Paul and Tanya Chasteen  
 Charles and Virginia Shinholser  
 Lauren Moss  
 Rhonda Knees  
 Luanna Poole  
 Ben and Jerrie Shepard  
 Ray Fisch

### Jesus Left

His purse---to Judas;  
 His clothes---to the soldiers;  
 His body---to Joseph of Arimathea;  
 His mother ---to John;  
 His peace---to His disciples;  
 His supper---to His followers;  
 His gospel---to the world;  
 His presence---with God's children.

Max L Johnson

### Volunteers Needed

The clothing room will be holding a two day give away on Thursday and Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletins board for the time that you can help with this event.

## Preaching Schedule

11/12 FH Gates AM  
 PM Singing  
 11/19 Allen Barber AM  
 Timothy Class PM



## Ladies Class Schedule



November 14<sup>th</sup> *Prophesying*, Laura Ware will be teaching the class.  
 November 21<sup>st</sup> *Preaching*

## Clothing Room

On Thursdays 9-11am, the clothing room is open for the community. We can always use more help. If you have any furniture or household items to donate for use in this ministry, please let Betty Abrams or Harry Johnson know.



## Searching For Truth

A new supply of copies of World Video Bible School DVD *Searching for Truth* has come in and copies are available on the tables in the back. The elders encourage everyone to use these DVD's and share them with friends, family, and those in the community.

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## Communion Sign-up

*December 2006* still needs someone for communion preparation. In addition the sign up sheet for 2007 is on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please indicate the month that you can do this.

## CEO

The CEO will meet on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at Chicanes Restaurant.

## Sympathy

Jim Leisey passed away this past week. We express our condolences to his family.

Betty Burton's mother, Sarah Lemon, passed away and the Johnson's have gone to be with Betty.

## Fellowship

On Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, anyone who would like to join in fellowship with F. H. Gates, meet at Don Jose's Restaurant at 6:00 PM.

## From the Elders

We will continue with a number of preachers trying out. It may take several months to make a selection. Please give the elders your input in writing as to any feedback you wish them to consider. There are forms on the tables in the back for you to use for this purpose. Remember the scale to use with 1 being best and 5 being poorest.



- Canned vegetables & fruits of all kinds
- Canned Meats
- Chicken Noodle and Vegetable Soup
- Spaghetti and Sauce
- Chili & crackers; Stew
- Syrup
- Chicken & Dumplings
- Canned White and Sweet Potatoes
- Rice
- Baby Food & Baby Cereal
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
- Bar Soap
- Deodorant
- Small Boxed Cereal

## Note From the Elders

All minister candidates who have been scheduled or who have spoken to us as of 10/15 have either been eliminated from further consideration or have withdrawn their name or declined the position. Applications continue to come in. The additional applicants will be screened and, if appropriate, scheduled to speak to the congregation at the soonest feasible date. The elders continue to take into consideration congregational feedback. We thank you for your feedback to date and ask for you continued feedback, prayers and patience as we proceed thru this process.

## SHEPHERDS

- Harry Johnson.....655-3386**  
(Evangelism/Membership  
Directory/Membership  
Fellowship Clothing Room)
- Dave Marcum .....385-8899**  
(Treasurer/ Administration)
- Olin Shinholser.....382-1060**  
(Worship Services/ Education)
- Paul Talbert.....385-3756**  
(Building & Grounds/  
Benevolence/ Membership  
Services)

## DEACONS

- Bill Benton .....453-6002**  
(Treasurer/Visitation)
- Chris Fowler .....386-4661**  
(Youth Director/ Services  
Director/ Substitute Teacher  
Assignments/Sound Room)
- Roger Gurganus .....453-3939**  
(Building & Grounds  
Maintenance (Outside)/  
Transportation/ Communion)
- Tracey Stalter .....471-9736**  
(Building Maintenance (Inside)/  
Membership Directory/ Pews)
- BJ Thomas .....385-7270**  
(Building Maintenance (Outside)/  
Benevolence, Clothing Room)
- Don Ware.....382-0194**  
(Special Mission Efforts/  
Timothy Class)

## My Future

Someone said, "My past is gone; my present is passing; my future is arriving."

The best thing about the future is that it comes upon us by degrees, a day at a time. We can manage that! Whatever it hold, my future is mine: if it be fair weather, let me bask in the sun; if it be storms, let me bend with the wind.

The future belongs to those who can make adjustments. **"Sanctify yourselves against tomorrow."** (Numbers 11:18)

## New Class

Allen Barber will start a class on Wednesday in the old fellowship hall. He will continue his study of the book of James.

<b>SCHEDULED TO SERVE</b>		<b>ORDER OF SERVICE FOR MORNING WORSHIP</b>
<b>THIS SUNDAY</b>	<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	Announcements: BJ Thomas
<b>Prepare Communion:</b> Barb Cole <b>Greeters:</b> Ron Horton            Leon Tubbs Bill Sweeton           Ruth Tubbs <b>Pick Up Cards:</b> Austin Ritenour & Forest Ritenour <b>Pick Up Communion Cups:</b> Nathan Ramer & Joshua Fowler <b>Sound Room:</b> Tracey Stalter <b>Secure Building This Week:</b> Tracey Stalter	<b>Prepare Communion:</b> Barb Cole <b>Greeters:</b> Ron Horton            Roger Gurganus Bill Sweeton           Susan Gurganus <b>Pick Up Cards:</b> Victor Oregon & Austin Ritenour <b>Pick Up Communion Cups:</b> Hayden Parker & Austin Ritenour <b>Sound Room:</b> Chris Fowler <b>Secure Building Next Week:</b> Chris Fowler	Song: 848: Did You Think To Pray? Opening Prayer: Harry Johnson  Song: 452: Standing On The Promises Song: 346: He Lives  Communion  Song: 453 Love Lifted Me  Offering:  Song: 316: Jesus Paid It All  Lesson: F. H. Gates  Invitation Song: 911: Bring Christ Your Broken Life  Song: 891 Peace in the Valley  Closing Prayer: Robert Underwood
<b>Announcements:</b> BJ Thomas <b>Song Leader:</b> Olin Shinholser <b>Opening Prayer:</b> Harry Johnson <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Preside:</b> Allen Barber <b>Serve:</b> 1. Bob Parnett            4. James Ware 2. Wayne Anderson    5. Nicholas Stalter 3. Robert Capps        6. Don Ware	<b>Announcements:</b> Harry Johnson <b>Song Leader:</b> Paul Talbert <b>Opening Prayer:</b> Dave Marcum <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Preside:</b> Robert Underwood <b>Serve:</b> 1. Dale Spung            4. Troy Talbert 2. Tracey Stalter        5. Clem Smith 3. Herb Ellis             6. BJ Thomas	
<b>Closing Prayer:</b> Robert Underwood	<b>Closing Prayer:</b> John Roberts	<b>Reminder</b>  If for some reason you find that you cannot serve as scheduled in the monthly assignment schedule, please call Chris Fowler as soon as possible so that a substitute can be selected. Those serving are asked to be here at least 10 minutes before the service starts. Those who participate Sunday morning are asked to wear appropriate dress attire, preferably, though not required, a dress shirt and tie. At other services casual sport shirt and slacks are acceptable; no T-shirts or shorts should be worn while serving the congregation. Thank you for your cooperation.
<b>Sunday Evening</b>	<b>Sunday Evening</b>	
<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Opening Prayer:</b> SINGING                    Bill Benton <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Closing Prayer:</b> Allen Barber               Mike Tubbs	<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Opening Prayer:</b> Timothy Class <b>Lord's Supper:</b> <b>Closing Prayer:</b> Robert Underwood	
<b>Wednesday Evening</b>	<b>Wednesday Evening</b>	
<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Invitation:</b> Troy Talbert               Harry Johnson <b>Closing Prayer:</b> Bob Parnett	<b>Song Leader:</b> <b>Invitation:</b> Don Gunter               Carl Martin <b>Closing Prayer:</b> BJ Thomas	
<b>FREE BIBLE STUDY BY MAIL</b>	<b>MEET WITH US</b>	<b>Plain and Simple</b>
If you would like to receive a series of Bible Study Lessons, send this request to:  <b>Sebring Parkway Church of Christ</b> <b>3800 Sebring Parkway</b> <b>Sebring, FL 33870</b>  Name _____ Address _____  Age Range: <input type="checkbox"/> 0 - 10 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 11 - 17 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 18 - 50 yrs <input type="checkbox"/> 51 - ?? yrs	Sunday Bible Study.....9:00 AM Sunday AM Worship.....10:00 AM Sunday PM Service.....6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study....7:00 PM  <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.sebringcoc.com">http://www.sebringcoc.com</a>  <b>Email:</b> sebringparkway@sebringcoc.com  Office Hours: 9am-2pm M-F	<b>In presenting the Gospel to other, put it before them:</b>  <b>BRIEFLY</b> so they will read it; <b>CLEARLY</b> so they will grasp it. <b>GRAPHICALLY</b> so they will remember it; <b>ACCURATELY</b> so they will be guided by it light.