

WEEKLY SERVICES & CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Sunday Service

9:00 am and 10:45 am – Services in the Sanctuary
10:45 am - Candlelight Hispanic Fellowship – GYM
Children's Ministries provided: Birth – 5th grade

Wednesday Night Service

Teaching with Pastor Paul
6:00 pm meal (provided by Candlelight)
6:45 pm Worship, Prayer, Devotional
Children's Ministries provided: Birth – 5th grade

YOUTH MINISTRIES AT CANDLELIGHT

JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

SUNDAYS

SENIOR HIGH Sunday School: Meet after fellowship break – Rm 202
JUNIOR HIGH Sunday School: Meet after fellowship break – Chapel

WEDNESDAYS

Junior & Senior High School: 6pm to 8pm in the GYM

AWANA PROGRAM

AWANA is designed to provide physical, social, mental, and spiritual activities for children. It's a great way to develop new friends, and learn how the Bible relates to today's needs. The goal is to introduce boys and girls to Jesus Christ and reinforce the life principles found in the Bible. Programs begin at age 3 all the way up to high school. AWANA meets on:

Thursdays: Preschool thru 5th Grade. 6:10pm to 8:15pm

Sundays: Jr & Sr High School. 6pm to 8pm (more info in the lobby)

Trail Life USA – Troop 4:12

TrailLife Troop 4:12 is a Christian adventure, character, and leadership program for boys and young men. K-12 program. More info located in the CCF Lobby or on the Candlelight website. Meets on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00pm.

American Heritage Girls – Troop 356

AHG is a Christ-centered leadership, adventure, and character development, scouting program for girls ages 6 to 18. Inquiries, please email AHGID0356@gmail.com. Meets on Tuesdays from 6:30pm to 8pm.

Ladies Bible Studies

All ladies are invited to join a Bible Study!

Tuesdays at 10am – Upstairs Chapel

Thursdays at 6:15pm – Upstairs office

(Studying Ephesians) Leader for Tues/Thurs: Brenda Van Noy (208) 771-1441

Wednesdays at 9:30am – upstairs Chapel

All senior ladies welcome! Leader: Lou Shadwick (208) 755-4586

MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Saturdays at 7:30am – upstairs Chapel. Call Joe DeFort for information @ (208) 215-6686. All men are welcome anytime!

WELCOME!

WE ARE BLESSED THAT YOU CHOSE CANDLELIGHT CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP AS YOUR PLACE OF WORSHIP TODAY. WHETHER YOU ARE ATTENDING AS A GUEST OR WANT TO MAKE THIS YOUR CHURCH HOME, YOU ARE WELCOME!

WE OFFER MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS IN THE BODY OF CHRIST. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCOVER MORE ABOUT OUR MINISTRIES OR SMALL GROUPS, WE INVITE YOU TO FILL OUT A COMMUNICATION CARD AND DROP IT IN THE OFFERING BOX. THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

Pastor/Church of the Week:

Pastor Jim Hoggat - Open Bible Church

Ministry Focus of the Week:

Sheri Crist - Secretary

Missions Focus of the Week:

Steve and Brenda Hines
Ripe for Harvest World Outreach

We serve in Visakhapatnam (Vizag), India. Our goal is to share the Good News with the lost and to help the poor, especially our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering. We drill wells for poor communities and lead teams of Americans who come to help us do these activities as well as build churches, conduct medical camps, share the Good News, and distribute clothing to the poor. We recently completed a 12,000 square foot new home for 200 needy children.

Verse of the Week

“Looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.” Titus 2:13 (NKJV)

Quote of the Week

“What encouragement could the Rapture bring to any believer who thinks they will have to endure all the horrors of the coming 7-year Tribulation?”
– Dr. David Reagan

Pastoral Staff:

Sr. Pastor: Paul D. Van Noy

Associate Pastor: Bub Lawson

Administrative Pastor: Chris Martinez

Sr. High Youth Pastor: Zach Harrington

Jr. High Youth Pastor: Jackson Lanterman

Hispanic Pastor: Ray Duran

Worship Leader: Eric Kelso

Elders:

Pastor Paul Van Noy

Pastor Bub Lawson

Pastor Ray Duran

Jamey Aker

Joe DeFort

Fletcher Michael

Candlelight Family Giving

February Budget: \$ 96,000.00

February Total: \$ 73,155.34

PARSON TO PERSON

“If I were to receive a dollar for every time somebody told me there is no mention of a rapture in the Bible and that the concept is a fairly modern day invention, I’d have enough money to pound a considerable dent into the federal deficit (depending on the Administration, that is).

Can the Rapture, separate and apart from the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, be found anywhere in the Bible? How does looking forward to the Rapture bring us hope? And, is the Rapture as a whole too new of an idea to be true?

The Bible does indeed teach about the Rapture of the Church. First, Thessalonians 4:17 in particular speaks of an event called “the Rapture,” derived from the Latin word *rapio* which was translated from the original Greek word *harpazo*. *Rapio* means “to catch up, to snatch away, or to take out,” and that’s how it’s often written out, as in that verse which reads, “*After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.*” Other references on the Rapture are found in Isaiah 26:19-21; Malachi 3:17; John 14:1-4; I Corinthians 15:51-58 and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

The Apostle Paul states that the Rapture is meant to encourage believers during this age (1 Thessalonians 4:18). And yet, what encouragement could the Rapture bring to any believer who thinks they will have to endure all the horrors of the coming 7-year Tribulation? What would be the point of the Rapture then?

True encouragement and hope comes from the Bible’s teaching of a Pre-Tribulation Rapture. We know that the Rapture will happen before the Tribulation because according to the Bible the Church isn’t destined to endure God’s judgment on the world. God has promised the Church a rescue beforehand. For example, in 1 Thessalonians 1:10 we are told “*to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, that is Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath to come.*” (See 1 Thessalonians 5:9; Romans 5:9; Ephesians 5:6; Colossians 3:4 and Revelation 3:10).

Evidences of a Pre-Tribulation Rapture also come from Paul in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-2 who comforted the Church of Thessalonica when he wrote, “*Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers, not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by some prophecy, report or letter supposed to have come from us, saying that the day of the Lord has already come.*” The church there was concerned that they had missed the Rapture and were living in the Tribulation. Paul assures them in verse 3, “*Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way, for (that day will not come) until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction.*” In other words, they’d know if they were living in the Tribulation.

The only hope that could comfort the Church Age Saint staring into the face of the horrors of the Tribulation is that they will not have to endure it. These words from Paul in 1 Thessalonians 4:18 provide that very encouragement and hope of the Lord rapturing the Church beforehand.

Those who argue that the Pre-Tribulation Rapture view is just “too new” to be considered viable point to John Nelson Darby (1800-1882) as its originator, and they claim he took the idea from a 15-year-old girl named Margaret MacDonald. But, is that assessment historically accurate? Indeed, it is not.

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WHAT WE BELIEVE

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The Early Church fathers' such as Barnabas (ca. 100-105), Papias (ca. 60-130), Justin Martyr (110-195), Irenaeus (120-202), Tertullian (145-220), Hippolytus (ca. 185-236), Cyprian (200-250), and Lactantius (260-330) wrote on the imminent return of Jesus Christ, the central argument for the Pre-Tribulation Rapture view.

When Augustine (354-430) began spiritualizing the Bible, his view of a non-literal interpretation took hold of the Church until the Renaissance, obliterating the Premillennial and Pre-Tribulation Rapture views in favor of Amillennialism. But, some Medieval writers such as Ephraem of Nisibis (306-373), Abbot Ceolfrid (c. 642-716), and Brother Dolcino (d. 1307) wrote statements that distinguished the Rapture from the Second Coming.

When the chains of allegorical interpretation began to fall off, beginning with the Reformation in the 1400's and 1500's, writers such as Joseph Mede (1586-1638), Increase Mather (1639-1723), Peter Jurieu (1637-1713), Philip Doddridge (1702- 1751), John Gill (1697-1771), James Macknight (1721-1800), Thomas Scott (1747-1821) and Morgan Edwards (1722-1795) all wrote concerning the Rapture occurring separate from the Second Coming. Even in the more modern church, those like William Witherby, who wrote about the Rapture in 1818, were precursors to John Darby in support of the Rapture.

The Rapture is indeed then not only biblical, but supported throughout Church history." Dr. David Reagan

The Bible

We believe in the Bible, both the Old and New Testaments. We believe it is the inspired, inerrant, authoritative, Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16; Peter 1:20-21). The Bible is sufficient in and of itself to provide us with all that pertains to life and Godliness. (2 Peter 1:2-3).

God

We believe in God (Genesis 1:1a). He is the personal, transcendent (Romans 11:33-36), eternal (Isaiah 57:15), Sovereign (Psalm 115:3) Creator (Genesis 1:1, 31) of all things. We believe He alone is God (Isaiah 43:10), He is the first and last (Revelation 22:13), there is no other. We believe He created the heavens and the earth as described in the book of Genesis and embrace a literal six-day creation model.

The Trinity

We believe that God is eternally self-existent (Exodus 3:14) and has revealed Himself as a Tri-unity of three persons (Matthew 29:19): Father, Son and Holy Spirit, as three persons (1 John 5:7) in the Godhead and yet one Lord God Almighty (Colossians 2:8-9).

Jesus

We believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, He is the only begotten Son of God (John 3:16), He Himself is God (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23; John 1:1) incarnate (1 Timothy 3:16; John 1:14) and in Him the fullness of the Godhead is revealed to man (Colossians 2:9). Therefore, He is appropriately called God the Son.

The Holy Spirit

We believe that after Jesus ascended to heaven, He poured out His Holy Spirit upon the believers, His Church, at which time they were empowered to live a godly life and fulfill His command to preach the Gospel to the entire world (Acts 1:8, 2:4), a privilege shared by all believers today.

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Special Guest Speaker - DR. DAVID REAGAN



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