



## *Chalmette Church of Christ*

*February 07, 2010*

### *“Blessed With Opportunities”*

We had a very busy year in 2009 at Chalmette. There were ten baptisms and sixteen requesting the prayers of the church. We had two outstanding gospel meetings with Keith Mosher and Joey Davis. We had an excellent Vacation Bible School with the help of Brandon Britton and the Fairview congregation in Pulaski, Tennessee, which was also combined with a door knocking effort. The ladies once again had a second to none ladies day with Dorothy Mosher. Now we must take advantage of the opportunities of 2010.

#### **GOSPEL MEETINGS FOR THE NEW YEAR**

Keith Mosher from The Memphis School of Preaching will be with us again from April 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>. This time he will be teaching a class in the day time as well as preaching the gospel meeting at night. There will also be an opportunity for a period of questions and answers. On his trip last year some of us were able to have a great day of fishing out in God's wonderful creation.

Brad Harrub who is one of the editors of Think magazine will be here October 15<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>. We have used some of Brad's material at Chalmette recently, so you have an idea of how excellent the weekend will be when he is with us. I hope you will go ahead and set aside these dates so that you will be able to take advantage of these wonderful occasions to grow stronger in the faith.

Vacation Bible is being worked on, and we will give you more information later. May the word of the Lord abound: "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He

that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:15-16).

#### **HISPANIC MINISTRY**

We will be having a Hispanic worship service beginning today at 11:30. I will be doing the preaching aided by a translator. Any time we have a baptism or other response in the earlier service we will make the needed adjustments. We have classes Tuesday night at 7:00 that are going really well. Scott Russell and myself are rotating as the teachers. We are teaching from the late brother Leroy Brownlow's book *Why I am A Member of the Church of Christ*. I have been through this book several times through out the years and would recommend in to everyone for their library. Keep this good work in your prayers: "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17).

#### **LECTURESHIP AT THE MEMPHIS SCHOOL PREACHING**

The lectureship this year will be from March 28-April 1. The theme will be "Shadows of Good Things: Types". If it is possible for you to go during this week you would be blessed tremendously by the preaching of the gospel and the singing of God's word. The fellowship with other Christians alone is worth the trip.

By: Mark Lance

### *Have You Counted the Cost?*

Luke 14:26-33 teaches the lesson that one must "count the cost." Jesus uses the illustration of a man who intends to build a building. It would be foolish for this man to start the project without first counting the cost, "lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him." Jesus then illustrates the same point by considering how foolish it would be for a king to go to battle against another king if he does not first sit down and consider whether or not his 10,000 men will be able to stand against the other army of 20,000 men.

Yes, there is a cost to being a Christian. Verse 26 tells that one cost of following Christ is putting Jesus before other relationships. The verse specifically mentions fathers and mothers, wives and children, brothers and sisters, and yes "his own life also." The cost for the rich young man in Matthew 19 was to sell all of his possessions and give to the poor. Part of the cost of being a Christian is to give one's old, sinful lifestyle. This cost includes completely giving up old sinful addictions, old companions who may cause a Christian to fall, or anything else which may interfere with the Christian lifestyle.

However, there is a much more severe cost for the decision NOT to follow Christ. That cost is found in Romans 6:23 which

reads, "For the wages of sin is death." Colossians 2:13 reads "And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses. Therefore, unless a man is "made alive" spiritually in Christ while he is still living physically, he will after physical death be separated from God eternally in spiritual death in the lake of fire and brimstone (Revelation 21:8). Have you counted the cost?

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# Kid's Korner

**See if you can answer the following questions:**

**Answers from last week:**

**1. Martha 2. Water 3. Andrew 4. Matthias 5. Shepherds**

**New Testament Novice**

1. We saw a bright star, that we followed from afar; so gifts we could bring to the newborn king.
2. To the death I said, I was willing to fight; then I denied Jesus, 3 times one night.
3. Judas betrayed the Lord, for what shameful price? When rueing his terrible sins, he took his own life.
4. Sun of David, have mercy on me, this blind beggar of Jericho cried; a miracle Jesus performed, restored his sight; his tears dried.
5. 'Twas a crowded little town, where Mary gave birth; to our Savior who came, bringing salvation to us.

**Tune in next week to see if you got all the answers correct!**



**The food pantry at the Church Building is running very low. Please remember to bring non-perishable items if possible!**

## *Cleaning Schedule*

*Month of February—Claudia Smith*



### Upcoming Events

**February 21-** Singing and Fellowship Meal

**February 28-** Ladies Class

### February Birthdays

17 Bruce Scariano

18 Claudia Smith

24 Edmond Gautreaux

26 Crystal Russell



# Prayer List



**Mary Jo Lance  
Joe Riley  
Alice Riley  
Sherry Towle  
Betty Grisham  
Burnell Rogers  
Margo  
Lisa Lance  
Patricia Rodney  
Donny Vick  
Judy Hennessee  
Jessica Lance  
Mark Lance**

**\*All of our brethren scattered  
across the United States**

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**Services of The Church  
Sunday**

Bible Classes 9:00 am  
AM Worship 10:00 am  
PM Worship 6:00 pm

**Wednesday**

Bible Classes 7:00 pm

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