

Building/Communion Schedule		
Gomez	June	5
Lee	June	12
Children's Bible Time		
Sheldon	Month of	June
Peyton	Month of	July

**Preacher**  
Cecil Belk

**Ministers (Servants)**  
Every Member

**Times Of Assembly**

**Sunday**  
Bible Class & Nursery... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Assembly..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Assembly..... 6:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday** Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST Weekly Messenger



“ My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.”  
John 10:27 (NKJV)

**National TV & Radio Programs**  
**In Search Of the Lord's Way**  
DirTV channel 364 — Sundays at 7:30 a.m. EST  
INSP Network: Galaxy 1R — Transponder 17 — Orbit Position 133 West  
Sundays-7:30 a.m. EST — Dish Channel 259, Sunday 7:30 a.m., EST  
Gospel Broadcasting Network (GBN) Sun. 7:00 p.m. EST  
Mon. 2:00 a.m./2:00 p.m. EST Thurs. 5:00 a.m./5:00 p.m. EST  
**Daily Program Streaming & Printable Bible Studies**  
Web Sites: www.thegospelofchrist.com—www.searchtv.org  
**Gospel Broadcast Network (GBN) Satellite Dish Broadcasts**  
24/7 on www.gbntv.org or by a home satellite dish (K band) and receiver.  
See their web site www.gbntv.org for details.  
“Good News Today,” — Sundays, 7:30 a.m. EST,  
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Dish Network, ch. 267, Direct TV, Ch. 376,  
Glorystar Ch. 117, & SkyAngel ch. 136



God's Plan of Salvation (God's "GPS")

God's Grace, Ephesians 2:8  
Christ's Blood, Romans 5:9  
The Holy Spirit's Gospel, Romans 1:16  
Sinner's Faith, Acts 16:31  
Sinner's Repentance, Luke 13:3  
Sinner's Confession, Romans 10:10  
Sinner's Baptism, 1 Peter 3:21; Acts 2:37-38  
Christian's Work, James 2:24  
Christian's Hope, Romans 8:24  
Christian's Endurance, Revelation 2:10

Call Not Just To Believe - But To Belong

Every Christian needs to prepare for eternity. Some do, some don't! Those who do, understand worship is all about loving, pleasing, and obeying God. They want to please, praise, and glorify God. They enjoy living in God's house! They know the family and household of God includes the faithful Christian who is currently alive here on earth today. They know they have family responsibilities in God's household, the church, which is the body of Christ.

They know they are called not just to believe,

**but to belong!** When a child is born into a home it receives the care, clothing, food, social development, and nurturing instruction to grow up healthy, strong, and educated (ideally speaking). The same is true spiritually speaking. When a person has obeyed the gospel they are born into the family (household) of God. (Jn. 3:5; Eph. 2:19-22) The Lord's plan is for the Christian (His child) to be involved with His family on earth, and its regular gatherings (assemblies) so that spiritual nourishment is received. **Without regular worship in assemblies of God's people (a congregation), the supply of spiritual "food" for development, and nurturing instruction to remain healthy and strong spiritually is greatly lacking, or even non-existent.** The Christian is to remain active and involved with a local congregation of God's people because the Lord has established it this way! That is why the Apostles established local churches (congregations) in the first century as they preached.

**The word of God warns of the fatal consequences of abandoning the assemblies of the congregation.** Those Christians in the first century who were not assembling together were rebuked in Hebrews 10:23-29: "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope with out wavering, let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of our

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“And having been perfected, He (Jesus Christ) became the Author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him!”  
Hebrews 5:9

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Thought for the week: “If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature.” 2 Corinthians 5:17, Proverbs 19:13



## PRAYERS & THANKSGIVINGS

Pray earnestly for more souls to be saved, and more Christians to be involved in the work here!

**Our Military:** Prayers for Doug Wilson and Zac Donaldson and their families as they serve in the mid-east for several months.

**We thank God for** the \$365.00 taken up during May's 5th Sunday Special collection. This commitment to do more has substantially helped the congregation's ministry grow.

**We pray to our God for:**

**The recent tornado and flood victims.** Jack Mullins, receiving chemotherapy treatments, prayers. Sharon Loy who has been ill and will be having an MRI. Jennifer Grote, a young Christian mother in Russellville, KY who extremely ill awaiting a lung transplant

Jerry Paulson, Cecil Jones, Ben Cisneros, Audrey Otto, Sherri Belk, Jane Powers, Billy and Betty Clepper, Sarah Gomez, Deloris Peyton, Catherine Stewart, Bruce & Vickie Bishopric, health, guidance, strength, and blessings.

Rebecka Baker, carrying twin girls, prayers. Tom & Peggy Stripp, (Joyce Lee's aunt & uncle), Bob Sheldon and Jim Sheldon & wife Marilyn, Bobby Lingly, (chemotherapy). Franklin King, (Deloris' Peyton's father), Estelle Drisco: (June Curran's grandmother), and Lorraine Blackstone (June's mother), prayers.

The Fanella Family, health problems, prayers.

## June Birthdays & Anniversaries

4th Zack Cisneros	5th Peyton (A)
12th Randy Bryant	14th June Curran
18th Jasmine Laird	

A WARM WELCOME  
TO OUR VISITORS.  
YOU ARE  
HONORED GUESTS!



## June Events

### Women's Bible Study in Proverbs

Friday, June 3rd, 10:00 a.m. at the building

### First Sunday Fellowship Potluck

Sunday, June 5th, 12 noon

Bring a friend or acquaintance  
and your favorite dish(es)

### 3rd Friday Fellowship Lunch

Friday, June 17th, 12:30 p.m., location to be announced

### Men's Work/Ministry Projects Saturday

Saturday, June 18th, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

"Making a difference for the Lord"

## Sympathy

Our Sympathy and prayers for the family of Ella King (the mother of Deloris Peyton) who departed this world last Friday.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Eddie Harris was recently promoted to Master Sergeant in the USAF.

Jasmine Laird graduated from 5th grade.

Amaya Harris graduated from 5th grade and received the President's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award.

## Call Not Just To Believe - But To Belong (continued)

elves together, as is the manner of some, ... For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, ..."

**The Lord made every person, including every Christian, to have six great needs that are met only through Christ and His church. These are:**

1. A purpose to live for, being forgiven of wrongs (sins) made.
2. People of like understanding and purpose to live with.
3. An infallible "roadmap" to live by.
4. A great mission to pursue.
5. The resources to live the life.
6. Enabling power to live as God commands.

**The Lord and His church that He built (Matthew 16:18) provide the avenue through which these six great needs are supplied, nourished, and supported.**

1. Genuine worship by a congregation assemblies are to provide a clear, concise focus of God's forgiveness, design, and purpose for man.
2. Fellowship within the body (especially the local congregation), where one lives with Christians they know, provides the "community" for living with people of like understanding and purpose.
3. The word of God is taught and preached by men of spiritual maturity who declare God's

truths to live by.

4. Christians serving Christ, by serving each other in the congregation and reaching out with the gospel to lost man, is the greatest mission on earth.

5. The Lord has always provided for His people. They find their needs are provided for, often to an abundance.

6. It is in the church congregation that Christians closely joined together, experience God accomplishing great works while He provides them with great strength to persevere. (Col. 1:9-11)

**There is no "place" like the church!** God designed the Church for the saving of souls, and the Christian for the church. It is through Christ, through His church, and through the local congregation of the church that the Lord

provides His blessings that meet all six needs of the individual Christian.

**Christians are called and commanded not to just to believe, but to belong**

**and to assemble. If they chose not to, they "trample the Son of God," count the "blood of the covenant a common thing," and "insult the Spirit."** (Heb. 10:29) Don't just believe, belong! Belong to a local congregation of Christians. Assemble with them when they assemble. An absent Christian misses the blessings provided through the assemblies. **Be there**, not because they hope you will, but **because it pleases the Lord!**

Cecil Belk, Evangelist

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