

Eager Expectation

Why is it that little children get up so early on Christmas morning without being awakened by their parents? Why is it that a senior in high school cannot concentrate during class the last few weeks before graduation? Why is it that an engaged couple can usually tell you how many days until their wedding takes place? Why is it that employees also count the days until their retirement? Eager expectation! Whether it be Christmas presents, a new chapter in life, becoming one with the person you love, or resting from your labors—these all amount to eager expectation! Our future goals affect the way we feel in the present. They dominate our thoughts, our motivations, and our emotions.

This eager expectation should be even more intense as we look for the second coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Maybe our eagerness has been clouded by the fact that it has been almost 2000 years since he ascended into heaven and the angels prophesied about his return (Acts 1:10, 11). Yet God's patience in no way nullifies the reality of Jesus' coming (2 Pet. 3:8-13). Christians in the first century lived each day as if it would be the one. Their prayer was, "Come, O Lord!" (Marana tha, 1 Cor. 16:22). There is great blessing to those who eagerly await the coming of Christ (Heb. 9:28). As Paul contemplated his own death he wrote these words: "Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing" (2 Tim. 4:8).
—David Stewart

Area Events

Ladies Prayer Breakfast hosted by Franklin St..... Jan. 24

(Register by January 5. More information is posted on the board.)

Searching the Scriptures Meeting @ Port AllenDec. 14-18

Last Week

Sunday Worship AM:	Youth Devotional	Jan. 4
Sunday Bible Class:	Friday Films	Jan. 9
Sunday Worship PM:	L2L Mass Media	Jan. 11
Daily Bible Readers:	Ladies Day	Mar. 21
Contribution:	\$	
Wednesday Night:		

Future Events

Attendance Goals: Sunday Morning Worship—275; Bible Classes—225

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Sunday

Worship 9:00 a.m.
Bible Classes 10:15 a.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.

Elders

Alan Dishongh
Harrell Freeman
John Hutchens
Alan Laguna

Ministers

José Luis Campos
Eric Dishongh, PhD
Dennis Jones
Malvin Sanders

Wednesday

Bible Classes 6:30 p.m.

Deacons

Michael Conrad
Scott Keiser
Warren McReynolds
Oscar Raibstein

Secretary

Rachel McReynolds

Spanish Services

Sun. Bible Class 10:15 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Class 6:30 p.m.

Daily Bible Reading

December/January

28 Revelation 9-12
29 Revelation 13-16
30 Revelation 17-19
31 Revelation 20-22
1 Genesis 1-3
2 Genesis 4-7
3 Genesis 8-11

Viewing Opportunities

Recent Sermons (Hickory Knoll)
www.hkcofc.com

The Truth in Love
www.TTIL.tv

In Search of the Lord's Way
NOLA 38 (Cox Cable 13)
Sundays @ 7:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

Sunday AM

Welcome

291 – *I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace* (v1,3,4)

755 – *When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder* (all)

131 – *Face to Face* (v1,2,4)

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-41

Prayer

351 – *Jesus Is Coming Soon* (all)

Sermon: “The Greatest Story Ever Told: His Second Coming”

754 – *When Jesus Comes* (v1,2,4)

Lord's Supper Scripture Reading: Psalm 69:16-21

916 – *Come Share the Lord* (all)

Lord's Supper

943 – *I Love You, Lord* (repeat)

Contribution

Announcements

746 – *When He Comes in Glory* (v1,3)

Closing Prayer

Sunday PM

Welcome

100 – *Come, Thou Almighty King* (all)

274 – *I Have Found a Friend in Jesus* (v1,3)

440 – *My Jesus, I Love Thee* (all)

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:42-49

Prayer

684 – *This World Is Not My Home* (all)

Sermon

61 – *Are You Coming to Jesus Tonight?* (v1,3,5)

Announcements and Lord's Supper

378 – *Just a Few More Days* (v1,4)

Closing Prayer

“I will praise You, O Lord, with my whole heart;

I will tell of all Your marvelous works.

I will be glad and rejoice in You;

I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.”

—Psalm 9:1-2

Family Prayer List

Anthony Webb

Mario Lobo

Frances Linker

Mae Keaton

Ronald & Gwen Darensburg

Ranita Adams, friend of Lori Tassin

John Stott, step-father of Cristy Justice

Cherri Cooper, sister of Cristy Justice

Mildred Hoover, grandmother of Tara Paisley

Deborah Starr, daughter-in-law of Loretha Starr

John & Diane Stott, parents of Cristy Justice

Tamara Hutchinson, daughter of Maggie Bloomer

Jim Nerney, brother of Beth White

Marilyn Paisley, mother of Michael Paisley

Aaron Poché, brother of Colleen Poché

Joe Stanley, brother of Teresa Sosa

Mary Evola, mother of Lynn Dishongh

Maryann Lovett, Michael's mother

Russ & Clara Musselman, Kirk's brother and sister-in-law

Henry McCloskey, son-in-law of George & Mary Beauvais

Betty Miller, mother of Terri Ragas

Steve Carter, uncle of Tara Paisley

Continue to remember those who are serving in mission fields and in the military.

Recent Prayer Requests

Rose Nunnery is in ICU at East Jefferson. Please pray for her and her family.

Chad Grosch, 8-year-old friend of Evan Smith, was recently diagnosed with a form of leukemia.

Announcements

Michael Paisley will be delivering our sermon this evening.

Several members of our youth group and chaperones are attending **Exposure Youth Camp** in Atlanta.

The **youth group** will have a **devotional** next Sunday following the evening service.

Friday Films will be held January 9 from 6pm-8pm. Please sign the list on the board if your child will attend.

If you would like to **host the youth group** in your home for a devotional next year, please sign the list posted on the board.