

# WELCOME VISITORS

The presence of Jesus in the gathering of His people is the sweetest blessing we enjoy when we meet. We pray that you will find peace, comfort, and power for living today.

A visitor's card is provided in the book rack, to give us a record of your visit.

SUNDAY		ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY	
Bible Study	10:00 AM	Morning Worship	34
Worship	11:00 AM	Evening Worship	12
Evening	6:00 PM	Wednesday	10
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY	6:30 PM	Contribution	\$726.00
Fellowship Meal (Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday)	12:30 PM		
Men's Meeting (Last Sunday of every month)	5:00 PM		

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

MESSENGER FOR CHRIST



BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## Old Clothes and New Life

by Steve Ridgell

I will admit it right up front. I like my old clothes. I appreciate the fact that I am comfortable in shirts and pants that are familiar. When I get new clothes as a gift, I say "thank-you" and then hang them in the back of my closet. Recently my wife cleaned out my closet and my clothes drawer. She threw away some of my favorite shirts. I could not find my comfortable pants. And my dresser draw was full of new underwear and socks.

So there was not really much choice. I was forced into wearing a new wardrobe. And I was shocked. I liked the new things. They felt better than the old stuff. They looked better too. My new shirts were even comfortable. I never would have believed it. I had gotten so used to the old clothes that I did not even realize how bad they were. I thought frayed cuffs and pants that could not hold a crease were normal. My wife told me I would love having new clothes. I just did not believe it.

Thinking that my old clothes were the only way to dress was wrong. I had been deceived. I did not know what I was missing.

Life is like that sometimes. Old patterns and making the same old choices. It seems normal. It may be we believe everyone lives that way.

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**“...The Churches of Christ salute you.” Romans 16:16**

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**It is comfortable because we do not know there is a different way. You live so long with guilt and shame that feeling useless and worthless seems normal, even comfortable.**

**Until someone helps us to see what we are missing. Life with purpose and hope. Life lived with peace and joy.**

**Jesus offers new clothes... new life. It is a life that is better than you ever dreamed. And it is real.**

via [Heartlight.org](http://Heartlight.org).

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**We will have our fellowship meal next Sunday. At that time we will celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries for the month of March. Bring you favorite food dish and invite a friend.**

**God's Plan for Man  
Hear God's Word  
Heb. 11:6; Rom. 10:17  
Believe in Jesus  
Jn. 8:24  
Repent of Sins  
Lk. 13:3; 2 Cor. 7:10  
Confess Jesus' Name  
Mt. 10:32-33; Rom. 10:9-10; Mt. 16:15-16  
Be Baptized  
Mk. 16:15-16; Mt. 28:18-19; Acts 2:38, 41;  
Acts 22:16; Rom. 6:3-4  
Live Faithful until Death  
Mt. 10:22; Rev. 2:10**

The Bible study topic for Wednesday night: A  
Chronological Study of the Life of Jesus  
Bible study starts at 6:30 PM.



**Men's meeting**

**There will be a men's meeting today at 5:00 pm. You are encouraged to attend.**



Opportunities to Serve		
<b>Welcome</b>	<b>Today</b>	<b>03/02/14</b>
<b>Song Leader</b>	<b>Dick Phillips</b>	<b>John Bowling</b>
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	<b>Willie Gore</b>	<b>Dick Phillips</b>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>Ed Williams</b>	<b>Albert Sturdivant</b>
	<b>*Charlie Gamble</b>	<b>*Willie Gore</b>
	<b>Dick Phillips</b>	<b>Kurt Crytzer</b>
	<b>Josiah Garner</b>	<b>Bill Bartlow</b>
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	<b>Don Locky</b>	<b>Charlie Gamble</b>
<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Rick Massey</b>	<b>Rick Massey</b>
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	<b>Albert Sturdivant</b>	<b>Don Locky</b>
<b>Evening</b>	<b>Willie Gore</b>	<b>John Bowling</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Lelia Gore</b>	<b>Marselle Eversole</b>
<b>The Nursery will be open to receive children following the Communion.</b>		

**Please remember to pray for the sick, lonely, and especially anyone outside Christ.**

**HEALTH**

**Yana Locky & Family  
Cindy Reeves**

**James 5:15**  
And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.

**The complete prayer list is on the bulletin board.**

**Ladies Bible Study**

**The ladies bible study will be held Tuesday, at 10:30 am at the home of Spud and Nancy Spencer. Our study is about "God's Promises". Our time together will include prayer and songs of praise. Following the study we will have lunch prepared by the ladies. You are welcome to join us.**

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**Never test the depth of the water with both feet.**