

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 | |
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| Bible Study | 10:00 AM | Morning Worship | 41 |
| Worship | 11:00 AM | Evening Worship | 9 |
| Evening | 6:00 PM | Wednesday | 14 |
| WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY | 6:30 PM | Contribution | \$1006.00 |
| Fellowship Meal | 12:30 PM | | |
| (Every 1 st Sunday) | | | |
| Men's Meeting | 5:00 PM | | |
| Last Sunday of every month) | | | |

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

MESSENGER FOR CHRIST



BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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"Be Careful What You Say"

By Bill Brandstatter

Recently the owner of the LA Clippers, Donald Sterling, got in hot water over something he said. He made some remarks that were insensitive. He has received a harsh penalty. What we say is important. Our words mean a great deal.

Words are accountable. We are accountable for what we say. Jesus said, "For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned." (Matt. 12:37 NKJV) What we say matters a great deal. Do we speak before we think? James advises us to be "swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath." (James 1:20) How many times have we said something only to regret it later? In a Bible class recently, a lady stated, "We need to think twice and speak once."

Words are authentic. Words tell something about us. Jesus stated, "Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks." (Luke 6:45) If a person talks long enough, the heart is revealed through the words that are spoken. Someone once stated, "It is better to keep silent and thought of as a fool than to open your mouth and remove all doubt."

Words are appropriate. Often there are the right words to say at the right time. Do we use appropriate words? Sometimes a person can say the right thing at the wrong time. There are right words to use at the right time. The apostle Paul helps in our understanding by stating "Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one." (Col. 4:6) Peter states Christians should be ready to give an answer for the hope that is in them. (1 Pet. 3:15).

Words are aped. Our words may be copied or imitated. I was reminded of this recently when my two year old granddaughter visited us. The way a toddler

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"...The Churches of Christ salute you." Romans 16:16

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learns words is to repeat what is heard. If I don't want my children to say certain words, I shouldn't say them. I have heard individuals respond to a child's language by stating, "Where did he hear that?" The best statement to follow about saying the right thing so it won't be copied is found in Eph. 4:29. Paul writes, "Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers." Someone may be listening to what we say. Do we want it repeated?

Let us always remember that God knows us. He knows what we say. He knows who we are. Do we want God to hear what we say? Let us be careful to speak the words that will please Him.

Via BulletinGold


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Ladies Day Report

Our Ladies day was a huge success. We had ladies from Myrtle Beach, Shallotte, Hampstead, Central, Pine Valley and other groups as well as invited friends. The total number was 42. Jessica Dean, advocate at Hope Harbor shelter for women, presented us with some interesting details on domestic violence with a follow-up question & answer period. Belinda Lloyd presented an excellent study on the "Power of Words". The young ladies of this congregation really made us proud (Abi, Hannah, Jael, Gabrielle, Alayna and Darién) with their eager participation. We are Blessed.

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:
 The Superiority of Christ and His Covenant – A
 Study of the Book of Hebrews
 Bible study starts at 6:30 PM.



A Touch of Loveliness

Add a touch of loveliness to the things you say and do. Give pleasure to more people by a happy smile, won't you? Be thoughtful of the people whom you meet in shop and store, Then to God you will be dearer, He will love you even more. Aim higher, think kinder, be a better, nicer you. Aim higher, think kinder, for this world has need of you.
 -Poet unknown

Opportunities to Serve

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| Welcome | Today | 08/17/14 |
| Song Leader | Willie Gore | Don Lockey |
| Opening Prayer | Dick Phillips | John Bowling |
| Communion | John Bowling | Willie Gore |
| | *Ed Williams | *John Lloyd |
| | Albert Sturdivant | Bill Bartlow |
| | Josiah Garner | Albert Sturdivant |
| Scripture Reading | John Lloyd | Lynn Means |
| Speaker | Rick Massey | Rick Massey |
| Closing Prayer | Don Lockey | Dick Phillips |
| Evening | John Bowling | Albert Sturdivant |
| Nursery | Carolyn Bowling | Iris/Hannah Garner |

The Nursery will be open to receive children under the age of 3 years following the Communion.

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

HEALTH
 Michael Stanford Mary Stanford

GENERAL
 Returning College Students
 Emma Jones

TRAVELING
 Means Family Barbara Bartlow
 Dre Garris

The complete prayer list is on the bulletin board.



Ladies Bible Study

The ladies bible study will be held Tuesday, at 10:00 am in the fellowship room. Our study is about "Study of God's Promises". Our time together will include prayer and songs of praise. You are welcome to join us.

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Those who invite trouble find that it generally accepts the invitation and often brings some uninvited company along with it.