

# WELCOME

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BRUNSWICK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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What is Real Fellowship?  
By Bill Brandstatter

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.

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#### SUNDAY

Bible Study 10:00 AM  
Worship 11:00 AM  
Evening 6:00 PM  
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 6:30 PM  
Fellowship Meal 12:30 PM  
(Every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday)  
Men's Meeting 5:00 PM  
(Last Sunday of every month)

#### ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

Morning Worship 35  
Evening Worship 14  
WEDNESDAY 15  
Contribution \$ 709.00

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TO OUR FRIENDS:

We don't really understand the concept of fellowship as early Christians did. We talk about "fellowship meals" and "a fellowship hall;" however, just eating together is not the only aspect of Christian fellowship. Just being together in the same place at the same time does not necessarily constitute fellowship.

The word "fellowship" originates from a Greek word that indicates a joint participation and having something in common. The early Christians understood this in a special sense.

The first time the word is mentioned after the death of our Lord is in Acts 2:42. There Luke records that the disciples continued in "fellowship, breaking of the bread and prayers." When we consider that the church in the first century had no sign in front of their building, fellowship takes on a different meaning. When we note that early Christians went through persecution from certain groups, fellowship becomes more beautiful. When we look at early Christians relying and depending on one another, we see the depth of real fellowship.

Today, many of us don't know the other members of the congregations of where we attend. We don't know where they live. We don't participate in events with them. Our Sunday and Wednesday gatherings are often the only time we meet other

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