



CHRIST TEMPLE CHURCH

February 2024



HOURS OF SERVICES
UPCOMING EVENTS
BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES
UPLIFTING STORIES
BIBLE TRIVIA, PUZZLES, JOKES,
FELLOWSHIP FUN



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Apostolic Faith

ONE LORD,
ONE FAITH,
ONE BAPTISM

Ephesians 4:5

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Weekly Services

Hebrews 10:25 – “Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.”

TUESDAYS –

Prayer @ 6:30 p.m.
Ministers' Messages @ 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS –

Prayer @ 6:30 p.m.
Bible Class @ 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAYS –

Adult Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.
Children's Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.
Church @ 11:30 a.m.

Church Van Policy

**Please contact Minister Alex Scott-
269-479-6802**

For Sunday Service -

Please call Saturday night by 9:00 p.m.

If you cannot find a ride on Sunday morning, please call by 7:45 a.m.

For Tuesday/Wednesday Night -

Please call by 4:00 p.m.



Find Us Online

The Christ Temple newsletters and calendars can be found on the Christ Temple Church website.

Go to www.christtemplecass.org and click on Church Newsletters and Calendars at the top of the page.

Upcoming Events

FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST – February 10th @ 9:00 am.
All are welcome!

GAME DAY - February 24th @ 3:00 p.m. Adults and teens are welcome.

Special Occasions



Birthdays –

Deuce O'Brie - February 4th
Sis. Cynthia Boss - February 6th
Genesis Wicker - February 6th
Sis. Amanda Wicker - February 12th
Bro. Jeff Johnson - February 14th
Jayce Johnson - February 14th
Bro. Alex Scott - February 16th
Alana Woods - February 16th
Elder Dale Pompey - February 20th
Bro. Scottie Stewart - February 25th
Sis. Rose Taylor - February 28th

Anniversaries -

Bro. Jeff and Sis. Shellon Johnson - February 14, 2001

*Apologies to anyone celebrating a February birthday or anniversary who, unknowingly, was left off this list.

*If your birthday or anniversary has been missing from the newsletter, then most likely, Sis. Shellon does not have it on her list. Please let her know so she can update the birthday/anniversary list.

Special Prayer Request - We are deeply saddened by the passing of Sis. Barber's daughter, Kimberly. Please pray for Sis. Barber and her family, especially Kimberly's children, at this trying time.

Prayer Requests

Bob and Pat Stewart - Bro. Scottie's parents

Mike Stewart - Bro. Scottie's uncle

John Lancaster's wife, Julie

Beatrice Fitzpatrick - Bro. Scottie's deaf friend

Deaf people to "hear" the Word of God

Pastor and Sis. Lori

Ben Wilson - Sis. Cynthia's friend/colleague

Our Brothers/Sisters in the Ukraine and the Dominican Republic

Nikolas Wallace for mental health

Sis. Rebecca Barber

Deacon Moses

Diane Iverin

Sharion Buck - Sis. Constance's mother

Ushers for February



Feb. 4 - Sis. Amanda and Sis. Nicholettie
Feb. 11 - Sis. Margarie
Feb. 18 - Sis. Charlene and Sis. Charlotte
Feb. 25 - Sis. Cynthia

Take Out the Trash

Feb. 4 - Bro. DelShawn
Feb. 11 - Bro. Jeff
Feb. 18 - Bro. Tyler
Feb. 25 - Bro. Connor



Help for our Brothers and Sisters in the Dominican Republic

Philippians 2:3 - Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

Our Brothers and Sisters in the Dominican Republic desperately are in need of so many things, and CTC is offering help by providing new clothing:

- *All clothing must be new.
- *Clothing is needed in all sizes for men, women, children, and infants.
- *Clothing must be appropriate for a tropical climate - NO long sleeve shirts, sweaters, hoodies, coats, etc.
- *Shoes, socks, underwear, diapers are needed, also.
- *Church clothes and daily wear clothes are needed.

Along with clothing, toys for the children are appreciated, although please do not buy toys that require batteries.

If you are able to contribute, please reach out to Sis. Lori, Sis. Judy, or Sis. Ana.

Fellowship Fun - Game Day!

C'mon out for an afternoon of fellowship over board games and snacks!

Who: All teens and adults

When: Saturday, February 24, at 3:00 p.m.

Where: CTC Fellowship Hall

Bring your favorite snack, your favorite game, and be ready to show off your gaming skills.

*Friendly trash talking will be allowed.



Beat the winter doldrums and come have some fun!



Christ Temple Kids Page

This page is no longer located in the newsletter. It is a separate page that can be picked up in the entrance next to the newsletters. The puzzle sheet will be different each Sunday.

TONYT Gospel Radio

CTC is on the radio! Well, not a traditional radio station, but an online radio station. TONYT Gospel Radio is an online radio station that only plays Apostolic sermons and Bible classes mixed with old school Gospel music. Now, you can tune in every day at 3:00 p.m. and hear the Word from CTC by using the following link:

<https://tonytgospelradio.com/>

Hey! That's cool!



Someone at CTC, who came here in 2016, enjoys watching the Brothers play cornhole at the church cookouts. Who is it?

Bro. Alex Bennett

Dad Jokes



My wife told me that for Valentine's Day, nothing would make her happier than a diamond necklace. So, I got her nothing.

What do cavemen give their wives on Valentine's Day?

Ughs and kisses!



Hidden Cross



Calling all amateur detectives! Be on the lookout for a cross similar to the one to the right. It's hiding somewhere in this newsletter. Can you spot it?

Bible Trivia



Which prophet said, "Therefore now, O LORD, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live?"

Jonah (Jonah 4:3)

Which book of the Old Testament is the shortest?

Obadiah

Even though the fig tree won't blossom, and there won't be fruit on the vines, Habakkuk said he will still do what? (HINT: Habakkuk 3:17-18)

Rejoice in the LORD, joy in the God of my salvation.

Fellowship Fun

2023 Christmas Party



Deacon Scott, Sis. Olivia, Sis. Cynthia

Hink Pink - A hink pink is a puzzle made up of 2 rhyming words, each word is one syllable.

For example, what's a hink pink for a happy pappy? A glad dad!

What's a hink pink for a box of Valentine chocolates?

Sweet treat!

Winter Anagram - Rearrange the letters in each word to form a new word that is associated with winter.

1. BOOST _____

2. CLOD _____

3. COULD _____

4. HATE _____

5. SMITTEN _____

6. RIFE _____

7. PAROL _____

8. REHEAT _____

9. RIPPLES _____

10. WHAT _____

ANSWERS

1)BOOTS 2)COLD 3)CLOUD 4)HEAT 5)MITTENS 6)FIRE 7)POLAR 8)HEATER 9)SLIPPER 10)THAW

Proverbs 18:15 - The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge.

Spanish 101

Love

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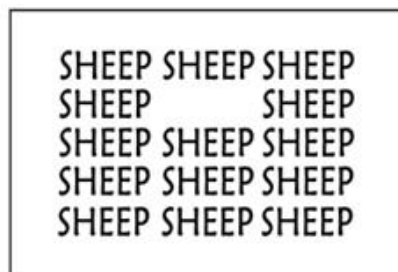
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Sign Language



love

Can You Read the Pictures?



Lost sheep



Woe is me

Minor Prophets

L O Z D X T A F C M E H W R R F K G D C W G G S
L J A S M G B G U N J N S D T R X G S W T G U U
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Habakkuk

Ezekiel

Jonah

Malachi

Nahum

Amos

Haggai

Joel

Micah

Obadiah

Zachariah

Zephaniah

The Anointing

1 John 2:27 “But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.”

To understand more of “the anointing” of God is to understand more of the purpose and power of God. The challenge we have in understanding this word today is looking past its common use. In our day, the word is tossed around to overly spiritualize people or things. “Anointing” cars, houses, or even people “anointed” to do, quite frankly, things that God has never commissioned – all shroud the true meaning and purpose of God’s Anointing. Let’s not miss the blessedness there is in understanding the anointing of God.

We let Scripture define Scripture, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. There is a principle when understanding the Bible: the Principle of First Mention. The first time a word is used in the scripture can provide good insight as to what that word properly means. *Genesis 31:13 “I am the God of Bethel, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred.”* This is the first use of this word “anointing” in the Bible, calling back to the previous instance of Jacob anointing the rock at Bethel. *Genesis 28:10-11, 16-22 “And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran. [11] And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep... [16] And Jacob awakened out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew it not. [17] And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but **the house of God**, and this is the gate of heaven. [18] And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a pillar, **and poured oil upon the top of it.** [19] And **he called the name of that place Bethel**: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first. [20] And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, [21] So that I come again to my father’s house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God: [22] And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, **shall be God’s house**: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.”* Jacob anointed (poured oil over) the rock to hallow it as God’s House. What was before a heap of rocks was now **separated and revered as the House of God**. This evidently was the case, because God himself called what was formerly known as Luz, “Bethel” – the House of God.

We then go on to see the word “anointing” used in the separation of the sons of Aaron into the Priest’s Office. *Exodus 28:40-41 “And for Aaron’s sons thou shalt make coats, and thou shalt make for them girdles, and bonnets shalt thou make for them, for glory and for beauty. [41] And thou shalt put them upon Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him; **and shalt anoint them**, and consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister unto me in the priest’s office.”* The purpose of the anointing was to set them apart into God’s established role as Priest. **Only those who were anointed** could serve as a Priest. *Exodus 29:1, 7-9 “And this is the thing that thou shalt do unto them **to hallow them**, to minister unto me in the priest’s office... Then thou shalt take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him. [8] And thou shalt bring his sons, and put coats upon them. [9] And thou shalt gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and put the bonnets on them: and the priest’s office shall be theirs for a perpetual statute: and thou shalt consecrate Aaron and his sons.”* The anointed priest was hallowed, or “set apart”, from all the other people. Why was this? Not to make them glow before men, or themselves be worshipped, but that they might serve God in the capacity that **He** desired.

In days past, God used oil to represent the Spirit of God – As “...Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him... the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward...” (1 Samuel 16:13). *Truly, it is not a mixture of earthly substance itself that separates a pillar of stones to become the House of God, but “...the tabernacle shall be **sanctified by my glory**.” (Exodus 29:43). What is God’s glory? What is this anointing? **Jesus Christ** is “the glory” of God’s people! Jesus Christ is “the brightness of his glory”! (see Luke 2:32 and Hebrews 1:3). Jesus Christ is “the anointing which ye have received of him” that “abideth in you” (1 John 2:27). “The Anointing” is not some mysterious force imposed upon an individual, but Jesus Christ himself. Jesus Christ is the Anointing that takes a people that were not a people and separates them as the house of God. Jesus Christ is the Anointing that empowers us, His Household, to be the only bridge between God and man (the Royal Priesthood). It is the Anointing, Jesus Christ, that separates us from the rest of this world. It is not any natural success, nor our many talents (or lack thereof), but it is the Spirit of God dwelling in us, no more and no less, that makes us different from a dying and depraved world.*

As for our focus verse... The Spirit of Christ which “ye” have received – plural – that is, the Church. The Church has no need that a man, who is without the anointing, teach us (1 John 2:27). *It is Jesus Christ, the anointing Himself, who provides “The words of the wise”, which are “as nails”. The Anointing is building the House of God, nail by nail, **through the wise Pastors**. Though there be many Pastors in God’s sheepfold, the words of the wise are given from “one shepherd” and therefore that One Shepherd “shall bear the glory” (see Ecclesiastes 12:11 and Zechariah 6:13).*

It is a tragedy that people become so focused on faking spiritual, that they overlook what God has truly given us. The Anointing isn’t simply a “thing” – used to make someone or something special. Nor does it mean that one walks around on “cloud-nine”, looking down at mere “less-anointed” mortals. Let’s not overlook the True Anointing – Jesus Christ working in us to be His House. What a pleasure and blessedness it truly is to have the Anointing within us!

*written by Elder Christian Jackson