

# The Weekly News of the Northeast Church of Christ

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### ESPECIALLY FOR OUR GUESTS ...

- Please pick up an information packet from our welcome table in the lobby. We also have a small gift for our first-time guests.
- We are grateful for your presence today. Please fill out an attendance card (please indicate both your first and last names) so we can have a record of your presence.
- About halfway through the service, the children kindergarten through the 4th grade will be dismissed for their own class downstairs. For those 4 years old and under, there are classes on the main level throughout the entire service. We encourage the use of our attended nursery class for those who need it.
- If you have any questions concerning our services or the church or the Bible, we encourage you to speak to one of our elders or our minister.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

We welcome **Tom Sturgeon** from the Waterford Church of Christ as our guest speaker this morning. Our preacher, Brian Poe, is attending Polishing the Pulpit (check it out at polishingthepulpit.com) in Tennessee this week. Tonight our evening service will be a song service. Your chance to share your favorite hymn. Hope everyone can be here.

#### **MCREST**

The sign up list will be available soon for our MCREST week,

October 2-9. Once again we will house approximately 30 women and children in our building for one week. This mission of love takes a lot of planning and volunteers. How can you help? For now, pray for this endeavor and how you can be part of it. Then you can sign-up in as many ways and times that you can to help carry out the work for the week. You will have many chances to give of your time and also many things that you can donate for the meals and lunches. Working together we can all make a difference in the lives of our guests and let our light shine.



## In Our Thoughts and Prayers



*Lois Allen* is in Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital being treated for an infection.

*Marilyn (Muggy) Jones* is in McLaren Oakland Hospital in Pontiac, awaiting transfer to a temporary nursing home facility. Visitors are not recommended at this time.

Pat Mull is recovering from eye surgery.

**John Dunn** will have hernia surgery this week.

Marsha Arndt and Kenneth Glaze (Francine Cutright's brother) continue to undergo cancer treatment.

#### **TEACHERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed to teach the children's Bible class, ages 5 and up, on **Wednesday nights** for a month at a time. If you can help, please see Lori Mason.

#### **CHORUS AUDITIONS**

The Metro Detroit Youth Chorus will hold auditions for their 2016-2017 season on Saturday, **Sept. 10**, between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. This is open to all students grades 9-12. To make your appointment contact Steve at 313-292-7601 or mdyc2@yahoo.com



#### MOLLY POE TURKEY TROT =



Thursday, Nov. 24
Seeking walkers, runners and sponsors!
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Ouestions? See Brian.

#### **ELDER CHAIRMAN**

Joe Mason is the chairman of the elders through September. Contact him if you have any questions or concerns.

#### HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for us and rose from the dead, making salvation available as a gift (John 3:16; Romans 6:23). In order to benefit from this great sacrificial love, one must receive God's grace through faith in Christ and obedience to him (Romans 5:1-2; Hebrews 5:9). To become a Christian, the Bible teaches that we must believe in and put our trust in Christ (John 8:24), turn away from a life of sin (Luke 13:3), confess Jesus as Lord (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16). If you would like to further study this question of "What must I do to be saved?", please see our minister or one of our elders.

#### **CHECK HOW YOU LOOK IN THE MIRROR**

By Dan Jenkins

It happens to Americans every day of their lives. Few of us like the way we look the first time we see ourselves each day in the mirror, so it is not long before we begin making changes to our appearance. Usually, before we leave the house, we take a final look in the mirror hoping that we look presentable and acceptable to others.

James describes the Bible as a mirror. "For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was" (James 1:23-24). It is remarkable how God uses the simplest aspects of our lives to illustrate truth. To look into His mirror, the Bible, and to see our spiritual needs and do nothing about them just does not make sense. It is even more foolish than that person who looks into a regular mirror, sees something which destroys his appearance and then walks away forgetting what the mirror showed him.

Paul describes the Bible as a mirror with the power to change you. "But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord" (2 Corinthians 3:18). These words are much like the words from James, but Paul sees that person as spending time looking into the mirror, but not seeing just self. He looks into the mirror and sees Jesus in His radiant glory. The present tense of "being transformed" indicates an ongoing process. He does not just see the Lord once, and then he is immediately and completely changed. He sees the Lord. He spends time gazing at Him. The glory of the Lord becomes his standard, and he is being changed into the very image of the Christ.

**David, while not using the imagery of a mirror, describes the same action.** "Blessed is the man . . . (who) delights in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night" (Psalm 1:1-2). Have you ever considered what made David's heart be like the heart of God? He turned to the law of God and meditated on it day and night, and that transformed his heart. Looking into God's mirror will change the heart of all men.

Consider some "mirror rules" for those seeking to change their appearance. We must come to our mirror, His word, with an open, sincere heart and see His image clearly. We must come with a determination to change the flaws we see in ourselves in that mirror. We must spend time seeing the glory of the One in the mirror, mediate on what we see and then change our lives to become like that One. We need to think often about this, knowing that it takes time to become just like Him.

#### TIMES OF SERVICES

<u>Sunday</u>

Bible School - 9:30 a.m. Worship -10:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

<u>Wednesday</u> **Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.** 

#### WORSHIP ATTENDANTS August 21, 2016

Opening Prayer - Kenny Cummings Song Leader - Kenny Cummings Sermon - Tom Sturgeon

#### Communion servants for August

Mike Yuchasz Steve Karwowski Jav Kramer Jacob Nelson

#### Audio visual servitors for August

Bill Nocita Dean Stewart

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#### FOR THE RECORD August 14, 2016

Bible School	69
Sunday Morning Worship	114
Avg. attendance for 2016	135
Sunday Evening Worship	31
Mid-Week Bible Study	38
Contribution	\$3,324.26
Avg. contribution for 2016	\$4,039.48
Budget	\$3,725.00
Shults-Lewis	\$36.00
Total for 2016	\$1,728.62

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