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October 2018/ Monthly Newsletter of God's Will Christian Church

Mark Your Calendar

Service Time: 10AM

Happy Birthday to those born in October

Interested in becoming a member? Please see Sis. Vanessa Hawkins!

October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Communion is October 6th

Baptism is October 16th

Children's Sunday School stars in November

Compassion in Action

by Kenneth Copeland

Matthew 9:36

Compassion. That's the one thing people need more than anything else in this world. They need someone to reach out to them with the compassion of God. Compassion is a deep yearning that responds to the needs of people. It's much deeper than sympathy. Sympathy can just sit around feeling sorry for people. Compassion has to do something for them. Compassion is what motivates God, and Jesus' life on earth was a picture of that compassion in action. His whole ministry was driven by it.

Compassion In Action cont'd

It was compassion that caused Him to multiply the loaves and fishes, heal the sick, cast out demons and raise the dead. It was compassion that compelled Him to go to the Cross. And it's that same compassion that He now longs to pour out through you.

That's a staggering thought, isn't it? It's staggering to realize that we believers are the only body Jesus has on this earth now. His healing must flow through our hands and our faith. His compassion must move us to provide for the hungry. It must compel us to cast out demons and set the captives free. "But, Brother Copeland, I don't have that kind of compassion! "Yes, you do. If you have the Spirit of God dwelling inside you, you do—because He is that kind of love! You simply need to activate it.

How? Just like Jesus did when He walked the earth. Through prayer and fellowship with the Father. Look through the Gospels and notice how much time Jesus spent alone with the Father. That time activated the compassion of God within Him.

It caused Him to feel what God feels about the suffering of mankind. It stirred Him so much that whenever He encountered a need, He met it by the power of God. Follow His example. Spend time in fellowship with your Father. Meditate on His compassion until it rises up strong on the inside of you. Stir it up until the desire to see others set free becomes paramount in your thinking. Jesus has sent you to reach out and touch a love-starved world with His compassion.

If you don't do it, who will?

REMINDER:

Please remember to download our App in the App Store or Google Play!

Member's Corner



What ministries do you participate in?

None at this time

What are your hobbies?

Cooking

This month, we shine the spotlight on Sister Lasonya Johnson

What have you found most rewarding about being a member of GWCC?

Growth

Who introduced you to Christ?

Camiel

What advice would you give a new Christian?

Become BFF's with your bible

When did you join GWCC?

I officially joined in 2012.

What do you do for a living?

I work with adults with disabilities.

Recipe Corner:

Crock Pot Cheesy Potato Soup Recipe

INGREDIENTS

- 6 large peeled, Yukon Gold potatoes cut in 1/2 -inch cubes
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon pepper
- 4-6 cups of chicken broth
- 1 cup cold milk
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- ½ cup heavy cream or half and half
- 1 pound Velveeta Cheese, cut into chunks
- Bacon, fried and crumbled, optional
- green onions, optional

DIRECTIONS

- Add the potatoes, onion, garlic, salt, pepper and the chicken broth to a 4 quart or larger crock pot, stir and cook on high for about 3 ½ hours OR 6-8 HOURS ON LOW, until potatoes are completely cooked and fork tender.
- 2. At the end of the cooking time in step 1, whisk the 3 tablespoons of flour into the 1 cup of cold milk until smooth. Stir the flour mixture into the potatoes, add the ½ cup heavy cream, stir then cover and cook for another 30 minutes. Add the chunks of cheese and allow to melt. Garnish with bacon and green onions.

Note: This recipe calls for 4 cups of chicken broth. You can add another cup at the end if you find the soup is too thick for your liking.

Our Daily Bread

This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel. <u>Ephesians 3:6</u>

When I came home from work one day and saw a pair of lady's high-heel shoes next to the driveway, I was sure I knew whose they were. So I put them in the garage to give to my daughter Lisa when she returned to the house to pick up her children. But when I checked with Lisa, I found they didn't belong to her. In fact, no one in our family claimed them, so I put them back where I'd found them. The next day, they were gone. Mysterious.

Did you know that the apostle Paul wrote of a mystery in his letters? But the mystery he described was so much more than some kind of "whodunit." In Ephesians 3, for example, Paul spoke of a mystery that "was not made known to people in other generations" (v. 5). This mystery is that, while in the past God revealed Himself through Israel, now, through Jesus, Gentiles—those outside of Israel—could be "heirs together with Israel" (v. 6).

Think about what this means: all who trust Jesus as Savior can love and serve God together. We can all equally "approach [Him] with freedom and confidence" (v. 12). And through the church's unity the world will see God's wisdom and goodness (v. 10).

Praise God for our salvation. It unlocks for us the mystery of unity as people of any and all backgrounds become one in Jesus.

Thank You, Jesus, for the unity all believers can enjoy in You. Help us to serve together as equal members of Your body.

Unity in Christ breaks down barriers and builds the church.

Weekly Activities

Morning Prayer Conference Call Daily 7:00AM Weekly Bible Study Conference Call Wednesday 7:00-8:00p Men's Bible Study Conference Call Tuesday 7:00-8:00pm

Conference Number: 712-775-7031 Access Code: 443-268-839

Women's Bible Study Conference Call Monday 7:30-8:30pm 857-232-0158 Access Code 262390