

Invitation

Welcome everyone. We pray you will be strengthened by your visit with the Brighton Church of Christ. You are not just our guest, but you are welcome and wanted right here. Join our family of imperfect people perfected in by the blood of Jesus. Restrooms are located across the foyer near the front of the auditorium on the upper floor. If you need assistance in any way, ask any member for help.

Mission

The Brighton Church of Christ is a spiritual family with a focus on going to heaven. We are determined to honor God, to strictly follow the teachings of the New Testament, and effectively make that teaching available to the city of Brighton and the surrounding areas.

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Attendance last week:

Sunday am –62
Sunday pm - 28
Wednesday - 27
Contribution-\$4,296.00

Sunday Schedule Morning

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen
 Opening Prayer.....Ivan Stewart
 Lord’s Supper Leader.....Chris Peterson
 Assistant.....Nolan Peterson
 AssistantChris Warner
 Assistant.....Sam Dunham
 Assistant.....Kayden Derbigny
 Scripture Reading.....James Slagle

Matthew 6:25-29

Lesson.....Steven Jager
 Closing Prayer.....

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Ron Jensen
 Opening Prayer.....Kevin Dunham
 Lord’s Supper Leader.....Chris Peterson
 Lesson.....Ron Jensen
 Closing Prayer.....Ernest Kite

Wednesday Evening Schedule

Class.....

Service Times

Sundays:
 Morning classes 9:30 am
 Worship 10:30 am
 Evening worship 6:00 pm
 Wednesdays:
 Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm



February 11, 2024

Why Is Loving The Brethren So Important?

On the night of His betrayal Jesus issued “A new commandment...that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.” (Jn. 13:34-35). On this occasion Jesus was speaking specifically to His apostles, but the intended application to all who would become His faithful followers is obvious. Why is loving our brothers and sisters, our brethren, in Christ so important?

Some folks may get somewhat irritated at hearing a continued emphasis on our need and responsibility to love our brethren. They might snap back with something like, “I don’t have a problem with loving my brothers and sisters in Christ!” But their tone of voice and their voice inflection may convey something other than love in that statement. In action they may exhibit love for an exclusive number of their brethren while having virtually no interaction with others, even shunning them.

We need to remember that Jesus did not suggest loving our brethren, He commanded it. That theme fills the New Testament scriptures specifically addressing the church.



From the apostle Paul: Rom. 12:9-10; 13:8-10; 14:15; 1 Cor. 8:1; 13:1-8; 14:1; 16:1, 14, 24; 2 Cor. 2:4, 8; 6:6; 8:7; 11:11; 12:15; Gal. 5:13-14, 22; Eph. 1:15; 4:2, 16; 5:2; 6:23; Phlp. 1:17; 2:2; Col. 1:4; 2:2; 3:14; 1 Thess. 3:12; 4:9; 5:13; 2 Thess. 1:3; 1 Tim. 4:12; 6:11; 2 Tim. 2:22; 3:10; Tit. 2:2; 3:15; Phlm. 1:7, 9. From the Hebrews writer: Heb. 10:24; 13:1. From James: Jas. 2:8. From Peter: 1 Pet. 1:22; 2:17; 3:8; 4:8; 5:14; 2 Pet. 1:7. From John: 1 Jn. 3:10-11, 14, 16-18, 23; 4:7-8, 11-12, 20-21; 5:2; 2 Jn. 1:1, 5; 3 Jn. 1:1, 6. From Jude: Jude 1:2.

These references specifically use the term “love” in relation to brothers and sisters in Christ. They do not include numerous passages that teach on such love without using the word itself. And, they do not touch on all that Jesus personally taught on love between brethren.

Why all the emphasis on love between brethren? Why would the Holy Spirit guide the New Testament writers to include in their writings so many passages on love between brethren? Why would Jesus instruct such love in the form of a commandment?

Jesus said that brothers and sisters in Christ sincerely loving each other would be a powerful reflection of Him in their lives: “By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.” People will get a positive impression of Christianity as they observe the love between brothers and sisters in Christ.

But there’s another important perspective to this. Who were the greatest critics of Jesus during His ministry on the earth? Who wanted to kill Him? Who engineered His execution? Who put Him on the cross? His Jewish brethren!

We must purposefully love one another as brethren, because we don’t want to be like those Jewish brethren of Jesus who acted like anything but His brethren. Let us never present to the world around us an image of strife, anger and animosity between us. Let us show the world the love of Christ in us, “for we are brethren.” (Gen. 13:8)...

By: Gary L. Hutchens Sunny Slope church of Christ

Announcements

Prayers



Cynthia Nickels is scheduled for surgery on June 26th. She is asking for prayers that her surgery will be moved to a sooner date.

Sam Dunham started his cancer treatments. He is home from the rehab center. Prayers that his treatments will go as smooth as possible.

Prayer request for **Raymond and Meredith Long**. Meredith had the surgery on her vertebrae. Pray that her recovery will bring lasting relief.

Prayers for the work in **India**. Pray for the health and strength of the fellow Christian workers who spread the Gospel.

Nona Barton is a member of the Golden church of Christ and is fighting stage 4 lung cancer. Prayers for the best possible outcome.

Continued Prayers

Harold Price, Sherry Derbigny’s Dad-health challenges

Eleanor Jatko– health problems & prayers for the family tending to her.

Jane Hanavan-heart issues

Tim Parker– headaches from concussion

Bill and Ann Adams-health complications

News and Notes

Baptism

A week ago Genesis Celaya was baptized into Christ. Encourage her as she begins her Christian journey.



God’s Girls Scrapbook

On the credenza, in the back of the auditorium, there is a scrapbook.

It has wonderful pictures of the women and young ladies that made up the God’s Girls class.

Please take the time to look it over and enjoy a walk down memory lane.



Food Drive February 11th

Today is the last day to gather items for the February food drive for the children’s home. A full list of the items needed are on their table in the foyer. The items they need the most are: Cereal, Instant oatmeal packets, cookies, brownie mix, Granola bars, Kind bars, Cliff bars, Belvita, crackers like Cheez-It, Chicken n Biscuit, Gold Fish, mayonnaise, non-stick cooking spray, tea, Lipton & herbal, cold medicine, non foam paper plates, 30 gallon heavy duty trash bags. They also like gift cards to Walmart, Sams Club and King Soopers to purchase perishable items.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

February 12 Kristin Jatko Birthday

February 15 Mike Lorenzo Birthday