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March 12, 2023



**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
NORTH TAMPA

**Sunday**

Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.  
Worship - 10:30 a.m.

**Wednesday**

Bible Study  
7:00 p.m.

**Welcome  
Visitors**

We hope you find our worship service enriching and inspiring. Please let us know if you have questions about our church family or how we may serve you in your quest for God.

## **March 26, 2023 Congregational Update**

**From**

**NTCOFC Elders, Deacons, & Minister**

**There will be no Children's Church or Nursery to allow teachers to attend our annual Congregational Meeting.**

PLEASE JOIN US

CONGREGATIONAL

**MEETING**



**Heart 2 Heart Card Ministry**  
**Saturday, March 18**  
**The McLaughlin House**  
**10:00am**



H2H meets the 3rd Saturday of each month to send cards with notes of encouragement to those on the weekly bulletin prayer list and others such as active military or inmates identified by the prison ministry. If you have questions, contact Renee McLaughlin via text or email.



**MSG-Mature Singles Group**  
**Saturday, March 18**  
**LaVerne Williams' House**  
**5:00pm**



MSG has their monthly potluck and card party on the 3rd Saturday of each month. This month's gathering will be at Laverne Williams' house. She will provide London Broil with carrots and potatoes as an entrée and attendees can bring the side dish or dessert of their choice. For planning, respond to the MSG email "reply all" if you will attend and list the dish you're bringing. If you have questions, contact LaVerne Williams.

**DYNAMIC YOUTH**  
**Coming Up...**

Hiking  
March 18th, 8am  
Hillsborough River State Park



Invite Someone to Church  
Family, Friends, Neighbors, Co-workers



**Bring a Friend to Join You for  
Easter Service Under the Tent  
Followed by an Egg Hunt  
Sunday, April 9th  
10:00am**



*Thank You!*

Saturday, April 1  
Raise the Big Tent  
Meet at the building at 8:15am  
Coffee & Doughnuts



Saturday, April 15  
Take down the Big Tent  
Meet at the building at 8:15am

**Saturday  
March  
25th  
9:00 am**



**“Can One person Make a Difference? YES! And two can be Amazing! Bring a friend and double your fun. If you both raise pledges, you will double the much-needed funds for the Buyer Rehabilitation Project: A “John’s” Hope. Please sign up today for the Buyer Rehabilitation Project’s Freedom Walk on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 2023 @ 9:00 am at the Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center. Visit the Freedom Walk display to pick up a brochure and become a **PLEDGE RAISING WALKER!****

Visit <https://buyerrehabilitationproject.org/events> to register. Walk like **FREEDOM** depends on it because **IT DOES!**”



The March item of the month is spaghetti sauce. Other non-perishable items are also welcome. Monetary donations allow MOH to purchase meats and produce. If you give a check, make it payable to North Tampa Church of Christ and designate MOH in the note section of your check. We will send one check from the church to MOH at intervals, depending on the number of donations. Your generosity is very appreciated and vital to providing meals for hungry people in need.

# “Seven Traits of a Passionate Follower of Jesus Christ”

*March 12, 2023*

## **Worship**

### **Romans 1:18–25 (NIV)**

<sup>18</sup> The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, <sup>19</sup> since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. <sup>20</sup> For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

<sup>21</sup> For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. <sup>22</sup> Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools <sup>23</sup> and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles.

<sup>24</sup> Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. <sup>25</sup> They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen.

**What is worship? It’s giving God \_\_\_\_\_**

**(To Honor \_\_\_\_\_)**

- **Worship is both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_**

**Romans 12:1 (NIV)**

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

**Hebrews 10:24–25 (NIV)**

<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

- **God has made it clear \_\_\_\_\_ and what**

**He \_\_\_\_\_**

**John 4:23–24 (NIV)**

<sup>23</sup> Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

**Matthew 15:8–9 (NIV)**

<sup>8</sup> “ ‘These people honor me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me.

<sup>9</sup> They worship me in vain;  
their teachings are merely human rules.’ ”

## **1 Samuel 15:22 (NIV)**

<sup>22</sup> But Samuel replied:

“Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices  
as much as in obeying the LORD?

To obey is better than sacrifice,  
and to heed is better than the fat of rams.

## **John 8:31–32 (NIV)**

<sup>31</sup> To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup> Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

## **How can I build my relationship to God through worship?**

**1. \_\_\_\_\_: I need to remember who \_\_\_\_\_**

### **Proverbs 1:7 (NIV)**

<sup>7</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge,  
but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

### **Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)**

<sup>6</sup> And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

**We serve a God who \_\_\_\_\_ but can**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ : I need to remember \_\_\_\_\_

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**1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 (NIV)**

<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray continually, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.

**Philippians 4:6–7 (NIV)**

<sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

I fear \_\_\_\_\_ when I don’t remember what  
God has \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ : I need \_\_\_\_\_ and

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**Ecclesiastes 5:1 (NIV)**

<sup>1</sup> Guard your steps when you go to the house of God. Go near to listen rather than to offer the sacrifice of fools, who do not know that they do wrong.

**James 1:22 (NIV)**

<sup>22</sup> Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

When I stop listening to God, I’m \_\_\_\_\_



4. \_\_\_\_\_ : I need to continue to \_\_\_\_\_

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**Hebrews 13:15–16 (NIV)**

<sup>15</sup> Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. <sup>16</sup> And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

**Matthew 6:19–21 (NIV)**

<sup>19</sup> “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.

<sup>20</sup> But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**When I sacrifice for God, it \_\_\_\_\_**

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Finding JOY in JESUS



Ladies Day

Saturday, September 9th



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# Statistics

March 5, 2023

Sunday School	128
Worship	173
Contribution	\$6,074
Bldg. Fund	\$154,909

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# THOSE WHO SERVE

<b>Worship Assignment</b>	<b>March 12</b>	<b>March 19</b>	<b>March 26</b>
<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Peter Franco</b>	<b>Bob Ray</b>	<b>Peter Franco</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Logan Pomeranke</b>	<b>Harrison Hammonds</b>	<b>John Love</b>
<b>Greeting &amp; Announcements</b>	<b>Bill Hemphill</b>	<b>Bill Hemphill</b>	<b>Bill Hemphill</b>
<b>Scripture Reading &amp; Opening Prayer</b>	<b>John Love</b>	<b>Ron Moore</b>	<b>Todd Murphy</b>
<b>Communion &amp; Offering</b>	<b>Steve Dumas</b>	<b>Bill Collett</b>	<b>David Tomlinson</b>
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	<b>Will Harris</b>	<b>Brent Byrd</b>	<b>Nathan Baker</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Carey Clinton Debbie Collett</b>	<b>Charlotte Kent Sandy Boyer</b>	<b>Connie Eckstine Mary Sayago</b>
<b>Coffee Ministry</b>	<b>Diane Diaz</b>	<b>Lupe Runions</b>	<b>Vikki Minor</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Linda Vines Paula Betz</b>	<b>Linda Vines Paula Betz</b>	<b>Linda Vines Paula Betz</b>