



NORTH TAMPA
CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 7, 2024

HELPING BUILD PASSIONATE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST

SUNDAY

1st Worship Service - 8:30 am
Bible Study - 10:00 am
2nd Worship Service - 11:00 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study - 7:00 pm



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The Joy of Walking
with God

Teachers Appreciation Brunch May 4th at 10:30am Church Building

In 2023 did you ????

Teach or Assist in the Children's classes or Children's Worship

Teach or Assist in the Dynamic Youth Classes

Teach or Assist in the Young Adult Classes

Teach or Assist in any adult class- auditorium, deep dive, men's bible study, women's bible study

Then the Teachers Appreciation Brunch includes you...Please RSVP attendance by texting or emailing Charlotte Kent.

What do teachers make?
A Difference



For April, Mac & Cheese, pasta and pasta sauce (only in cans or plastic jars) are requested. Other non-perishable items are also welcome. Monetary donations allow MOH to buy meats and produce. If you give a check, make it payable to North Tampa Church of Christ and designate MOH in the note section. You can show part of your donation to go to NTCOFC for purchasing items needed for Blessing Bags (BB), such as \$20 MOH; \$20 BB. We will send a check from the church to MOH at intervals, depending on the number of donations. Your generosity is appreciated and vital to providing meals for hungry people in need.

INTERACTIVE
prayer service

**Starting Wednesday, April 10th
7pm Bible Class**

Bring your Bible, highlighters, and pens.

Please read Psalms 145-150 before class.



**Thursday, April 18
MOH Food Truck at North
Tampa Church of Christ**

**Food Distribution
12:00 to 2:30pm**

**Volunteers get ready for
another great day of
community outreach
demonstrating the love
of Jesus to those
in need!**



DYNAMIC YOUTH

Ice Skating @ AdventHealth Center Ice

FRIDAY, APRIL 12 | 7:45 PM - 9:45 PM



Address: 3173 Cypress Ridge Blvd, Wesley Chapel, FL 33544

- **Cost:** \$25 (or \$22 if we have a group of 10 or more. To get the discount, Austin will have pay for everybody on one tab and you can Venmo Austin or give Austin cash)
- **Food:** Meet at Chick-Fil-A in front of the Tampa Premium Outlet Mall at 6:30 pm



Walking in Joy

April 7, 2024

John 16:19-24 (NIV)

¹⁹Jesus saw that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, “Are you asking one another what I meant when I said, ‘In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me’? ²⁰I tell you the truth, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. ²¹A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. ²²So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy. ²³In that day you will no longer ask me anything. I tell you the truth, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. ²⁴Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.

How to have Joy in your Walk with God

1. Recognize that God is _____

Zephaniah 3:17 (NIV) ¹⁷The LORD your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing.”

Nehemiah 8:10-12 (NIV) ¹⁰Nehemiah said, “Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.” ¹¹The Levites calmed all the people, saying, “Be still, for this is a sacred day. Do not grieve.”

¹²Then all the people went away to eat and drink, to send portions of food and to celebrate with great joy, because they now understood the words that had been made known to them.

2. _____

Psalms 66:1-4 (NIV) ¹Shout with joy to God, all the earth! ²Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious! ³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you. ⁴All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing praise to your name." *Selah*

3. Find your _____

Philippians 1:7-8 (NIV) ⁷It is right for me to feel this way about all of you, since I have you in my heart; for whether I am in chains or defending and confirming the gospel, all of you share in God's grace with me. ⁸God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:25-26 (NIV) ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that through my being with you again your joy in Christ Jesus will overflow on account of me.

4. Talk about your _____

Philemon 1:6 (NIV) ⁶I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.

5. Remind yourself that God is _____

Psalms 103:19-22 (NIV) ¹⁹The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. ²⁰Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word. ²¹Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. ²²Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

Romans 8:28 (NIV) ²⁸And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

6. _____ to God

John 15:4 (NIV) ⁴Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

John 15:9-11 (NIV) ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

7. Remember what it is _____

Romans 14:17-18 (NIV) ¹⁷For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, ¹⁸because anyone who serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God and approved by men.

What will happen to us when we walk with joy...

1. Your _____ will come back
2. You will make _____
3. You will start to _____
4. You will stop _____ and start _____
5. You will _____

Life Group notes:

Share:

- Share with the group a time that you had great joy and why.
- How often during your day do you think about being joyful? Should we? Why or why not?

Study:

- Take a moment and reflect over the sermon notes. Discuss what point or passage of scripture most challenged, confused or caught your attention today and why?

- Read John 16:19-24 and discuss any insights you might have from this passage.
- What other verses discussed in the sermon stuck out to you and why?
- Why do you think it is difficult to have a joyful heart in this world?

Support:

- Of the seven ways to have joy in your walk with God, what do you think is the most difficult for you and what is the easiest?
- Looking at today's lesson, what steps do you think you need to take to have more joy in your walk with God?
- Take a moment and share if you think you are a joyful person. Why or why not?
- How can you have joy despite going through a difficult situation?

Serve:

- What ways can you bring joy to others this week? Name a person and how you are going to try and bring them joy.
- Being others focused is not always easy. How does focusing on others bring you joy?

Don't forget to turn in your attendance to Jason Smith each week.



**Heart 2 Heart Card Ministry
Saturday, April 20th
The McLaughlin House
10:00am**



Heart2Heart meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00am at the McLaughlin house to send cards and notes of encouragement to those on the weekly bulletin prayer list and others. Cards and stamps are provided; donations of cards are welcome. If you have any questions, please RSVP to Renee McLaughlin via text or email if you will attend.



**MSG-Mature Singles Group
Saturday, April 20th
Barbara Nicholson's House
3:00pm**



MSG has their monthly potluck and card party on the 3rd Saturday of each month. This month's gathering will be at Barbara Nicholson's house. She will provide taco meat as an entrée and attendees can bring the taco shells, toppings, or a 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 Barbara Nicholson or LaVerne Williams.

Statistics

March 31, 2024

No Classes Tent Service

Worship 358

Contribution \$8,199

Bldg. Fund \$181,558

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THOSE WHO SERVE

Worship Assignment	April 7 1st Service	April 7 2nd Service	April 14 1st Service	April 14 2nd Service
Coordinator	Art Adams	Peter Franco	Bob Ray	Byron Boyer
Usher	Harrison Hammonds	Logan Pomeranke	Nick Spishock	Mark Cravens
Greeting & Announcements	Monte Betz	Monte Betz	Monte Betz	Monte Betz
Scripture Reading Opening Prayer	Lance Baker	Jason Smith	Mike Stone	Todd Murphy
Communion & Offering	Capell Griffin	Dennis Briggs	Lee Chatham	Ron Moore
Closing Prayer	Craig Johnson	Carl House	Dennis Briggs	Brian Cravens
Nursery	Bethany Harris Alexis Jennings	Sandy Boyer Charlotte Kent	Anita Wharton Wendy McCullough	Caroline Dumas Mackenzie Tomlinson
Children's Church	John & Cindy Shackelford	John & Cindy Shackelford	Chatham/ Kent	Chatham/ Kent
Coffee Ministry	Patti Bass	Diane Diaz	Anita Wharton	Marian Pirtle
Greeters	Linda Vines LeeAndra Griffin	Linda Vines Mark Cravens	Linda Vines LeeAndra Griffin	Linda Vines Mark Cravens