

CONNECTED

**TO GOD
TO GOD'S WORD
TO GOD'S HOUSE**
"...that their hearts may be
encouraged, having been
knit together in love.."
COLOSSIANS 2:2

PLAN of SALVATION

Hear the Gospel

Romans 10:17
**Believe Jesus is
God's Son**

Acts 16:30-31,
Hebrews 11:6

Repent of Sin

Acts 17:30-31
**Confess Jesus is
God's Son**

Acts 8:36-37,
Matthew 10:32,
Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized

Acts 2:38
Live Faithfully
1 John 1:7, Rev 2:10

SCHEDULE of SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Class 10am
Morning Worship 11am
Evening Worship 6pm

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class 7pm

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North Main Street Church of Christ

A Friendly Church with a Vital Message

February 14, 2021

Are We Prepared To Run?

If you have ever run in a race, whether as a child on the playground, in a high school gym class, or as an adult, you understand the need to prepare. In Hebrews 12, our faithfulness to God is described as "the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1). As Christians, we live in a world and run in our race while surrounded by events, objects, teachings, and attitudes that might slow us down and distract us from our faith in God.

We are told to "lay aside every encumbrance." To prepare ourselves for this most important event, our spiritual race to the finish, we are to remove everything that might slow us down. We would never race in elementary school while wearing a backpack or with an arm full of heavy books. Spiritually speaking, we should use the same common sense and remove anything that makes faithfulness more difficult.

We are also told to lay aside "the sin that so easily entangles us." These words describe how dangerous and damaging sin can be. Imagine a scene from a movie where someone's shoelaces are tied together just before they leave the starting line...we know what happens next. Sin not only slows us down, it can make it impossible for us to finish the race.

Faithfulness does not happen by accident but requires our preparation. Have we prepared ourselves to run the race that is set before us? Have we removed every distraction that might slow us down from finishing? Have we repented of every sin that might cause us to stumble?

Matt Langfield



Visitors, we are so glad you are here!

If you are looking for a church home, we would love to have you as a part of our family. If you would like an in home Bible Study, would like a visit you, or are in need of other services, just let us know. We will do our best to help you. We encourage you to stay a while after service so that we can get to know you.



February 16
Tuesday
Just Christians
Missions
Bible study class
at 7pm in the
fellowship room



“How can a _____ man _____ his way
pure? By keeping it according to _____
_____. With all my _____ I have sought
_____; Do not let me wander from Your
_____. Your word I have
_____ in my heart, that I may
not _____ against _____.”
Psalm 119:9-11

Our Prayer List

**Blake Beaver, acquaintance of Gary and Phyllis Jordan,
has cancer and has also contracted Covid19.**

Diane Cannon, Bubba Cannon's wife, is experiencing a blood issue.

**Elaine Snow's first cousin, Mary Jo Frye, lost her husband
Skip suddenly to a massive heart attack. He was only 63.**

Belinda Nuckols was hospitalized with DVT this past week.

Jimmy Watkins is hospitalized in the ICU.

Mildred Bean, Ortie and Patsy Boyd, Don Grubbs, Roxanne Johnson, Teresa Johnson,
Glenn and Nancy Koontz, Sara and Oscar Koontz, Bud Phelps, Mildred Phelps, Aileen
Potts, Cletus Seamon, Jay Stanley, Iva Walker

Shut-Ins: Robert Cole, Vergie Farmer, Estelle Kluttz, Wanda Scott



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



**Brantley
Seamon**

Friday
Feb 19