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January 15, 2023



**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.



**All are Invited!**



**January 22nd After Services  
Learn about Life Groups & Leaders  
Enjoy a catered lunch  
Ask Questions & Sign Up**

Please make your plans to stay for lunch next Sunday. Get to know more about Life Groups, their leaders, and participants. Sign up with a life group and start meeting with your new selected "family" on January 29.

**Life is better together!**

Reminder: All Life Group Leaders and spouses  
Meet immediately after church services today for  
2023 Leader Training and Planning Lunch.

# DYNAMIC YOUTH

## Coming Up...

### Party with the Preacher



Friday, February 3rd  
6:00pm to 9:00pm  
Church Building



RSVP

If you RSVP and bring a guest, both you and your guest will receive a Chick-fil-A gift card. (One gift card per person)

There will be fun games, good food, a devotional time, and prizes. RSVP to Neal Pharr.



**March 26, 2023 Congregational Update**  
**From**  
**NTCOFC Elders, Deacons, & Minister**



Saturday  
January 28th  
9:00am  
The Kents  
32391 Carolines Path  
Dade City, FL 33525

The Family Life Ministry invites all men of the congregation to the annual Men's Breakfast at the Kents on Saturday, January 28th at 9:00am. Come enjoy the fun, fellowship, and delicious breakfast cuisine with your fellow Christian brothers. Please sign up in the hallway if you can attend. See Lee Chatham if you have any questions. Don't miss out on this fun occasion!



Campout for Families with Young Children  
Friday, February 10 at 5pm until  
Saturday, February 11 at 9am  
The Chathams—32212 Gosselin Rd  
Dade City, FL 33525

All families with young children are invited. Please bring your tent and sleeping bag with your favorite item to grill. We will have singing and a short devo and s'mores over the campfire. If anyone wants to assist with items for s'mores, marshmallows, graham crackers or chocolate, please let Kristi Chatham know.



**Heart 2 Heart Card Ministry  
Saturday, January 21  
The McLaughlin House  
10:00am**



Heart2Heart meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00am 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 contact Renee McLaughlin via text or email. Please RSVP to Renee if you will attend.



**MSG-Mature Singles Group  
Saturday, January 21  
Cheryl Lonergan's 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 Cheryl Lonergan's house. She will provide beef roast 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 Cheryl Lonergan or LaVerne Williams.

# “God’s Grace *for every race*”

January 15, 2023

## Titus 2:11–14 (NIV)

<sup>11</sup> For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.

<sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, <sup>13</sup> while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

**The dream is \_\_\_\_\_!**

## 2 Chronicles 19:7 (NIV)

<sup>7</sup> Now let the fear of the LORD be on you. Judge carefully, for with the LORD our God there is no injustice or partiality or bribery.”

## Why God hates racial prejudice

### A. Prejudice questions \_\_\_\_\_

#### Acts 17:26 (CEV)

<sup>26</sup> From one person God made all nations who live on earth, and he decided when and where every nation would be.

#### 1 Corinthians 4:7 (CEV)

<sup>7</sup> What is so special about you? What do you have that you were not given? And if it was given to you, how can you brag?

## **B. Prejudice is a sign of \_\_\_\_\_**

**1 John 2:11 (NIV)**

<sup>11</sup> But anyone who hates a brother or sister is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness. They do not know where they are going, because the darkness has blinded them.

**James 3:17 (NIV)**

<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

## **C. Prejudice denies the \_\_\_\_\_**

**Galatians 5:14–15 (CEV)**

<sup>14</sup> All that the Law says can be summed up in the command to love others as much as you love yourself. <sup>15</sup> But if you keep attacking each other like wild animals, you had better watch out or you will destroy yourselves.

## **D. Prejudice is a \_\_\_\_\_**

**James 2:9 (TEV)**

If you treat people according to their outward appearance, you are guilty of sin, and God's Law condemns you as a lawbreaker.

## **Racism is not about skin, it's about \_\_\_\_\_**

**Romans 14:10 (ICB)**

<sup>10</sup> So why do you judge your brother in Christ? And why do you think that you are better than he is? We will all stand before God, and he will judge us all.

# How can I be sure I am not Racist?

## 1. Do I see others as \_\_\_\_\_?

**1 Samuel 16:7b (NIV)**

<sup>7</sup> ... The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.”

**John 7:24 (NIV)**

<sup>24</sup> Stop judging by mere appearances, but instead judge correctly.”

**Acts 10:34–35 (NIV)**

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak: “I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism <sup>35</sup> but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right.

## 2. Do I listen to others \_\_\_\_\_?

**James 1:19 (NIV)**

<sup>19</sup> My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,

**1 Peter 2:17a (NIV)**

<sup>17</sup> Show proper respect to everyone...

## 3. Do I love others the way \_\_\_\_\_?

**John 15:12 (NIV)**

<sup>12</sup> My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

**James 2:1&8 (TEV)**

“As believers in our Lord Jesus...you must never treat people in different ways because of their outward appearance.”

“You will be doing the right thing if you obey the law of the Kingdom, which is ‘Love your neighbor as you love yourself.’”

- \_\_\_\_\_ is His plan to  
**bring people together**

**1 Corinthians 12:13&27 (NIV)**

<sup>13</sup> For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

**Galatians 3:26–28 (NIV)**

- **I find \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ and His family**

**Colossians 3:11 (TLB)**

<sup>11</sup> In this new life one's nationality or race or education or social position is unimportant; such things mean nothing. Whether a person has Christ is what matters, and he is equally available to all.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **models our unity**

**1 Corinthians 10:16–17 (CEV)**

<sup>16</sup> When we drink from the cup that we ask God to bless, isn't that sharing in the blood of Christ? When we eat the bread that we break, isn't that sharing in the body of Christ? <sup>17</sup> By sharing in the same loaf of bread, we become one body, even though there are many of us.





Messengers of Hope needs soup for January. Monetary donations allow them 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 Messengers of Hope at intervals, depending on the number of donations. Your generosity is appreciated and vital to providing meals for hungry people in need.



*Thank You!*

Please take a moment and update the church office if you have changed any information this year such as address, email, or phone number. Also, If you do not have your picture in the digital directory, please either email or text Sandy West a current picture or contact Connie Eckstine to have a family photo taken after church on Sunday. Email Sandy West at [churchoffice@ntcofc.org](mailto:churchoffice@ntcofc.org) with any changes.

# 2023 Current Ministries Leaders

Administration Ministry	Sandy West
Adult Education	John Wharton
Audio Visual Technology (AVT)	Joel Ellis, Robert Briggs, Bryce Briggs, Craig Johnson, Lee Chatham, Jason Grantham
<b>Children's Ministry</b> -Nursery to 5th Grade	Kristi Chatham
Coffee Ministry	Patti Bass
Connections & Involvement Ministry	Eric Minor
Family Life Ministry	Lee Chatham
Financial Ministry	Bob Ray
<b>Greeters' Ministry</b>	Linda Vines
Grounds Ministry	Byron Boyer, Stacy McCullough
Life Groups Ministry	Richard Hammonds
Local Outreach	Kris Ray, Rebecca Heaton, Ruth Hemphill
Mature Singles (MSG)	LaVerne Williams
<b>Men's Ministry</b>	Lance Baker, Allan Teixeira
Social Outings, Adventures & Recreation (SOAR)	Theresa Briggs, Jeannie Murphy
Women Ministering to Women	Steering Committee: Ruth Hemphill, Cindy Shackelford, Karen Matches, Kris Ray, Charlotte Kent, Sonya Love (on sabbatical)
Worship & Praise Ministry	Jason Grantham, Brian Hassenplug, Craig Johnson, Richard Hammonds, Jan Blackwell
Worship Service Coordinators	Byron Boyer, Peter Franco, Eric Minor, Brent Byrd
30 Below (College and young adults)	Neal Pharr
Youth Ministry 6th to 12th Grade	Kari & Neil Pomerence

# Statistics

January 8, 2023

Sunday School	114
Worship	174
Contribution	\$10,516
Bldg. Fund	\$154,209

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***Administrator***  
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***Audio Visual Tech***  
Joel Ellis  
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# THOSE WHO SERVE

<b>Worship Assignment</b>	<b>January 15</b>	<b>January 22</b>	<b>January 29</b>
<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Peter Franco</b>	<b>Byron Boyer</b>	<b>Peter Franco</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Harrison Hammonds</b>	<b>John Love</b>	<b>Matt Manzi</b>
<b>Greeting &amp; Announcements</b>	<b>Kris Kent</b>	<b>Kris Kent</b>	<b>Kris Kent</b>
<b>Scripture Reading &amp; Opening Prayer</b>	<b>Lucas Clinton</b>	<b>Byron Boyer</b>	<b>Lee Chatham</b>
<b>Communion &amp; Offering</b>	<b>Jason Smith</b>	<b>Jeff Redmon</b>	<b>Bob Ray</b>
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	<b>Jan Blackwell</b>	<b>Daniel Dixon</b>	<b>Carl House</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Wendy McCullough Karen Matches</b>	<b>Lisa Hammonds Kristi Chatham</b>	<b>Charlotte Kent Jackie Wenz</b>
<b>Coffee Ministry</b>	<b>Wendy McCullough</b>	<b>Diane Diaz</b>	<b>Wendy McCullough</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Linda Vines Lupe Runions</b>	<b>Linda Vines Lupe Runions</b>	<b>Linda Vines Lupe Runions</b>