



NORTH TAMPA
CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 25, 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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welcome
to our church family

New Members

Erica Evans & Leilani

Jean Vincent

Africa Golden

Kenya Golden

Miyosha Tomlinson

Nicholas Spishock



Please Join our 1.5K 2024

Freedom Walk/Run

Join friends and neighbors to help reduce human sex trafficking in our community!

Become a fundraiser by sharing this event with your friends!

Plenty of kid-friendly activities so bring the whole family!

- Bounce House
- Music / DJ
- Face Painting
- Snacks!

When:
Where:

Saturday, Mar 23, 2024

- Check-in at 9:00am/"shotgun" start at 9:30 am
- Walk-Ups" Welcome!

Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center

15601 Lake Magdalene Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33613

FREE PARKING! Come Walk or Run with Us!

REGISTER HERE!

<https://secure.fundeasy.com/ministrysync/event/website/home/?e=26608>



All Donations will Benefit the



www.buyerrehabilitationproject.org

The Buyer Rehabilitation Project's Annual Freedom Walk will be Saturday, March 23, 2024 at 9:00am at the Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center. Please help the Buyer Rehabilitation Project raise needed funds so that they can continue bringing freedom to those in sexual bondage and helping families to protect their children from our pornography saturated culture. Please visit the Freedom Walk display to get information about how you can participate. You can also go online to <https://buyerrehabilitationproject.org/events> to create your own webpage or to sponsor another walker.



*Easter
Sunday*

*Under the Big Tent
March 31st
10:00am doughnuts,
coffee and fellowship
10:30am Worship*

Mark your calendar to invite your friends and family.

Join Us in Spreading Hope and Nourishment!



North Tampa Church of Christ (NTCOFC)
and Messengers of Hope (MOH)
Partnership

In the spirit of compassion and community, North Tampa Church of Christ (NTCOFC) and Messengers of Hope (MOH) are thrilled to announce a dynamic partnership aimed at providing essential support to the needy and homeless in the communities surrounding Lutz, Wesley Chapel, Land O Lakes, and North Tampa.

When: Starting March 21, 2024, and every 3rd Thursday of the month thereafter

Time: Noon to 2:30 pm

Where: North Tampa Church of Christ parking lot, 3611 County Line Road E.

The elders are asking and praying for interested members to volunteer and make a positive difference in outreach efforts to bring joy, hope and nourishment!

Pick up additional information on how you can get involved in the foyer.

40 Days of Following the Way of Love

February 25, 2024 (Week 2)

John 13:31–35 (NIV)

³¹ When he was gone, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him. ³² If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

³³ “My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

³⁴ “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

How can I love like Jesus loves?

1. _____ others like Jesus _____ me.

Isaiah 43:25 (CEV)

²⁵ But I wipe away your sins
because of who I am.
And so, I will forget
the wrongs you have done.

Ephesians 1:4a (NIV)

⁴ For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight.

Romans 8:1 (NIV)

¹Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,

Matthew 26:28 (NIV)

²⁸This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 3:12–14 (NIV)

¹²Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Luke 6:37 (NIV)

³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven.

Action step: This week, I will forgive someone that I need to forgive or find someone that needs to know God’s forgiveness through Christ.

2. _____ others like Jesus _____ me.

John 6:37 (NCV)

³⁷The Father gives me the people who are mine. Every one of them will come to me, and I will always accept them.

Psalms 27:10 (NIV)

¹⁰Though my father and mother forsake me,
the LORD will receive me.

Titus 3:7 (CEV)

⁷Jesus treated us much better than we deserve. He made us acceptable to God and gave us the hope of eternal life.

Romans 15:7 (NIV)

⁷Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

Romans 15:2 (NIV)

²Each of us should please our neighbors for their good, to build them up.

Action step: This week, I will show acceptance to someone, by giving them some of my time and attention. I will show love by looking at them and listening to them so that I may understand them.

3. _____ others like Jesus _____ me.

Luke 12:6–7 (NASB95)

⁶“Are not five sparrows sold for two cents? Yet not one of them is forgotten before God. ⁷“Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows.

A. Value depends on who _____.

Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)

¹⁰For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

B. Value depends on what someone _____.

1 Peter 1:19 (The Living Bible, Paraphrased)

¹⁹But he paid for you with the precious lifeblood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

1 Peter 2:17a (MSG)

Treat everyone you meet with dignity.

Action step: This week, I will verbally affirm the value of people I encounter.

4. _____ in others like Jesus _____ in me.

1 Corinthians 13:7 (The Living Bible, Paraphrased)

⁷If you love someone, you will be loyal to him no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him, always expect the best of him, and always stand your ground in defending him.

Matthew 17:20 (NIV)

²⁰He replied,...Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

Romans 1:12 (NCV)

¹²I mean that I want us to help each other with the faith we have. Your faith will help me, and my faith will help you.

Action step: This week, I will affirm my belief in others verbally.

Ephesians 3:18 (NLT)

¹⁸And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is.

Life Group notes:

Share:

- What has been the greatest act of love you have seen personally?
- If the hairs on our heads are each numbered what does that say about God's attention to detail?

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?
- Of the four ways to love others like Jesus: forgive, accept, value, and believe, which one will be the most difficult for you to do and why?
- Where can a person, rejected by their parents, go for acceptance as stated in Psalm 27:10?
- How does God's love compare with a parent's love?
- I Corinthians 13:1-3 explains the importance of love. Are there things that you concentrate on that keep you from being loving?
- In Mark 10:17-22 we have the story of the rich young ruler. In verse 21 it says, "Jesus looked at him and loved him". What do you think that means for us today?

Support:

- We all have things in our lives that make us difficult to love. Jesus showed us acceptance, and now we can show someone else that same acceptance. Who do you know that is hard to love?
- What are some ways to show a person acceptance this week with a small gesture of love?
- Take some time to show love to members of your group by what you value in each other?
- How would you go about forgiving someone who hurt you or encouraging someone that is burdened by hanging on to guilt?

Serve:

- Which of the four actions steps are you going to accomplish this week? Do you think it is possible to accomplish them all every day?
- How can we make loving others the way that Jesus loves us a habit in our lives?

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

Messengers of Hope Donations

For March, 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 very appreciated and vital to providing meals for hungry people in need.

Statistics

February 18, 2024

Sunday School	133
Worship 1st 83 - 2nd 139	
Contribution	\$9,458
Bldg. Fund	\$181,458

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Church Office Hours
Monday through Thursday
8:30 to 4:30

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THOSE WHO SERVE

Worship Assignment	February 25 1st Service	February 25 2nd Service	March 3 1st Service	March 3 2nd Service
Coordinator	John Love	Bill Hemphill	John Love	Byron Boyer
Usher	Ryan Gonzalez	Mike McLane	Harrison Hammonds	Logan Pomerrenke
Greeting & Announcements	John Wharton	John Wharton	Kris Kent	Kris Kent
Scripture Reading Opening Prayer	Mike Stone	Mark Cravens	Lance Baker	Jason Smith
Communion & Offering	Stacy Myers	Steve Dumas	Mike Stone	Mark Cravens
Closing Prayer	Craig Johnson	Nathan Blackwell	Ross Hughes	Bryce Briggs
Nursery	Kristi Chatham Anita Wharton	Karen Matches Mackenzie Tomlinson	Wendy McCullough Kathy Blackwell	Vickie Green Sandy Boyer
Children's Church	Alexis Jennings Ian Jennings Kristi Chatham	Alexis Jennings Ian Jennings Kristi Chatham	Nathan & Taiana Blackwell	Nathan & Taiana Blackwell
Coffee Ministry	Lee Chatham	Addy Manzi	Susie Moore	Susie Moore
Greeters	Linda Vines Nancy Pharr	Linda Vines Agnes Paras	Linda Vines Nancy Pharr	Linda Vines