

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

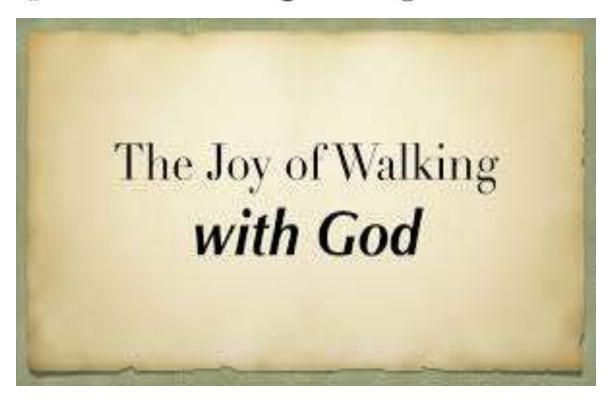
Bible Study - 7:00 pm

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# 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.



# 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!





# INPALIC 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)

<sup>19</sup>Jesus 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'? <sup>20</sup>I tell you the truth, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy. <sup>21</sup>A 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. <sup>22</sup>So 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. <sup>23</sup>In 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. <sup>24</sup>Until 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

#### Recognize that God is \_

**Zephaniah 3:17 (NIV)** <sup>17</sup>The 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)** <sup>10</sup>Nehemiah 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." <sup>11</sup>The Levites calmed all the people, saying, "Be still, for this is a sacred day. Do not grieve."

<sup>12</sup>Then 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)** <sup>1</sup> Shout with joy to God, all the earth! <sup>2</sup> Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious! <sup>3</sup> Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies cringe before you. <sup>4</sup> All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing praise to you, they sing praise to your name." *Selah* 

#### 3. Find your \_

Philippians 1:7-8 (NIV) <sup>7</sup> It 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. <sup>8</sup>God can testify how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

**Philippians 1:25-26 (NIV)** <sup>25</sup>Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup>so 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)** <sup>6</sup>I 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)** <sup>19</sup>The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. <sup>20</sup>Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word. <sup>21</sup>Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. <sup>22</sup>Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

**Romans 8:28 (NIV)** <sup>28</sup>And 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)** <sup>4</sup>Remain 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) <sup>9</sup>"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup>I 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)** <sup>17</sup>For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, <sup>18</sup>because 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                                | April 7           | April 7          | April 14       | April 14       |
|--|-------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Assignment                             | 1st Service       | 2nd Service      | 1st Service    | 2nd Service    |
| Coordinator                            | Art               | Peter            | Bob            | Byron          |
|  | Adams             | Franco           | Ray            | Boyer          |
| Usher                                  | Harrison          | Logan            | Nick           | Mark           |
|  | Hammonds          | Pomerenke        | Spishock       | Cravens        |
| Greeting &                             | Monte             | Monte            | Monte          | Monte          |
| Announcements                          | Betz              | Betz             | Betz           | Betz           |
| Scripture<br>Reading<br>Opening Prayer | Lance<br>Baker    | Jason<br>Smith   | Mike<br>Stone  | Todd<br>Murphy |
| Communion<br>&<br>Offering             | Capell<br>Griffin | Dennis<br>Briggs | Lee<br>Chatham | Ron<br>Moore   |
| Closing                                | Craig             | Carl             | Dennis         | Brian          |
| Prayer                                 | Johnson           | House            | Briggs         | Cravens        |
| Nursery                                | Bethany Harris    | Sandy Boyer      | Anita Wharton  | Caroline Dumas |
|  | Alexis            | Charlotte        | Wendy          | Mackenzie      |
|  | Jennings          | Kent             | McCullough     | Tomlinson      |
| Children's                             | John & Cindy      | John & Cindy     | Chatham/       | Chatham/       |
| Church                                 | Shackelford       | Shackelford      | Kent           | Kent           |
| Coffee                                 | Patti             | Patti            | Patti          | Patti          |
| Ministry                               | Bass              | Bass             | Bass           | Bass           |
| Greeters                               | Linda Vines       | Linda Vines      | Linda Vines    | Linda Vines    |
|  | LeeAndra          | Mark             | LeeAndra       | Mark           |
|  | Griffin           | Cravens          | Griffin        | Cravens        |