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August 14, 2022



CHURCH OF CHRIST
NORTH TAMPA

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.

Deacons Serving God
Serving God's People

The Responsibilities of a Deacon

Acts 6:3 and I Timothy 3: 8-13



Register by 9/12/2022 at
12:00pm. No walk-ins please.

Must be 18+ unless attending with a parent

Early Registration: \$79
After 8/22, registration is \$99

This event is continuous including
2 overnights and 6 meals.

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A "John's" Hope

You are invited to our

Men's Integrity Conference

Join us for a full-weekend conference designed for men to **strengthen their relationship with God** by learning **authentic manhood**, stronger integrity and true biblical leadership. **Choose between two class series** to study through the weekend:

Track #1
Authentic Manhood

Goals

Reject **Passivity**
Take **Responsibility**
Lead **Courageously**
Invest **Eternally**



Track #2
Conquer Series

- Connecting with **other Christian men**
- Strengthening **sexual integrity** and **health**
- Addressing the **pornography problem** in our community
- Becoming better at **true intimacy**



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[youtube.com/watch?v=3W5Dyntp_vl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3W5Dyntp_vl)

When: **Sept. 23-25, 2022**
Check-in begins: 4:00pm Friday
Program begins: 7:00pm Friday
Ending by 4:00pm Sunday

Where: **Tampa Bay Baptist
Conference Center**
15601 Lake Magdalene Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33613

Children's Ministry is looking for teachers for September through November.



Please let Kristi Chatham or Linda Neighbors know if you can help.

Nursery, 3s to 5s, Children's Church
Sunday School: Nursery, 3s to 5s
Worship Time: Children's Church

Heart 2 Heart Card Ministry Saturday, August 20 at 10am The McLaughlin House



H2H meets the 3rd Saturday of each month to send cards with notes of encouragement to those on the weekly bulletin prayer list and others such as active military or inmates identified by the prison ministry. Cards and stamps are provided; donations of cards are welcomed. If you have questions, contact Renee McLaughlin via text or email reneemclaughlin@verizon.net.

MSG-Mature Singles Group Saturday, August 20 at 5pm Hostess: Patti Bass



This month's potluck and card party is at Patti Bass' house. She will provide chicken. Each person can bring a side dish or dessert. For planning, respond to MSG email "reply all" if you will attend and the dish you're bringing. If you have questions, contact Patti Bass or LaVerne Williams.

Second of Three Congregational
“Sing for Your Supper Potluck” Events
September 16th at 6:00pm at Building



In preparation for the Fall Ladies’ Day event, The Ladies Day Committee has selected six songs to learn and practice so that on Ladies Day, our members are prepared and vocal! Please mark your calendar to come and joyfully fellowship with each other in practicing our singing with these and other songs.



SOAR Upcoming Event
August 26th 6:00 or 6:45pm

Game Night

BYOD—Bring your own dinner and eat together at 6pm before the games begin

OR

Join us at 6:45pm for some fun games and laughs for an adult night out at the church building. Game ON!!

DYNAMIC YOUTH
Coming Up...



Sonquest
Rosen Centre Hotel - Orlando
September 2-4

If you have any questions, please see Neil or Kari Pomeranke.

“Servants of the Church”

August 14, 2022

Acts 6:1-6 (NIV)

¹In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Grecian Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. ²So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, “It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. ³Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them ⁴and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word.”

⁵This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism. ⁶They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

Why Deacons? Because...

1. The Church was _____

“In those days when the number of disciples was increasing”

2. _____ that there is more to do

“the Grecian Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food.”

3. Someone has to _____

“So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, “It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables.”

4. _____ should be giving their attention to prayer and spiritual teaching

“and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word.”

5. Someone needs to _____

“Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them”

6. The Church _____

“They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism.”

7. It is how God intended for the _____

“They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.”

Acts 6:7 (NIV)

⁷ So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

Deacons...

1. Are _____ of the Church

2. Are not _____

3. _____ to the Elders and the Church

Qualifications

- a) _____
- b) Good _____
- c) Full of the _____
- d) Full of _____
- e) Full of _____
- f) _____
- g) _____

1 Timothy 3:8-12 (NIV)

⁸ Deacons, likewise, are to be men worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. ⁹ They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. ¹⁰ They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons. ¹¹ In the same way, their wives are to be women worthy of respect, not malicious talkers but temperate and trustworthy in everything. ¹² A deacon must be the husband of but one wife and must manage his children and his household well.

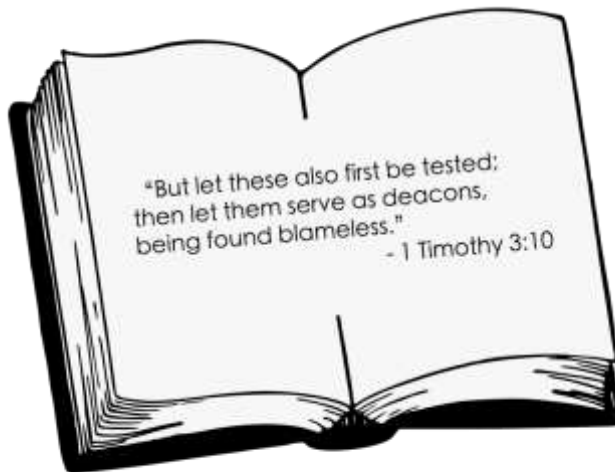
The reward for those who serve

1 Timothy 3:13 (NIV)

¹³ Those who have served well gain an excellent standing and great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus.

Schedule for Deacon Vetting and Installation

- a. **14August22:** Elders make a congregation announcement of 5 Deacon candidates that have been successfully vetted for further consideration, prayer, and feedback by the congregation. Neal's sermon topic is about the role & responsibilities of Deacons
- b. **14August22 thru 28August22** – Congregational prayer for Deacon candidates and personal feedback of concern directly to any candidate that an individual member may have about the candidate being named as a Deacon.
- c. **28August22** – Meet, Greet & Prayer time over the Deacon candidates/families following worship service.
- d. **4Sept22 thru 10Sept22** – Resolution of concerns and continued prayer and encouragements.
- e. **11Sept22** – Deacon Installation & Congregational meeting





Ladies' Day Committee Breakfast Meeting Saturday, September 10th from 10am to 2pm



Thank you to: Carol Ashby, Patti Bass, Paula Betz, Kathy Blackwell, Kristi Chatham, Caroline Dumas, Vickie Green, Lisa Hammonds, Ruth Hemphill, Natalie Matches, Renee McLaughlin, Vikki Minor, Diane Moore, Mary Sayago, Linda Vines, and LaVerne Williams for volunteering to assist with our Ladies Day!

If you are not listed above but have the desire to assist us with the REMARKABLE day, please contact Lisa Hammonds to be added or JUST SHOW UP to find out how you can help. As you know, the more hands helping makes the task much more fun and easier! In the meantime, we solicit your prayers for this endeavor!



On August 21st immediately following our worship service, we will be having a meeting to discuss an evangelistic tool to reach the lost. You may be familiar with WBS, but if you are not and would like to know more information, contact Ron Moore @ (813) 414-1200 or go to <https://worldbibleschool.org/>. This is a great way to teach the Bible while learning yourself.



**Donation Item
Month of August
Spaghetti Sauce & Noodles**

2022 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
Children's Ministry -Nursery to 5th Grade	Kristi Chatham, Linda Neighbors
Coffee Ministry	Patti Bass
Connections & Involvement Ministry	Eric Minor, Monte Betz
Financial Ministry	Bob Ray
Greeters' Ministry	Linda Vines
Grounds Ministry	Stacy McCullough
Life Groups Ministry	Richard Hammonds
Local Outreach	Kris Ray, Rebecca Heaton, Ruth Hemphill
Mature Singles (MSG)	LaVerne Williams
Men's Ministry	Lance Baker
Social Outings, Adventures & Recreation (SOAR)	Theresa Briggs, Jeannie Murphy
Women Ministering to Women	Steering Committee: Sonya Love-Chair, Ruth Hemphill, Cindy Shackelford, Karen Matches, Kris Ray
Worship & Praise Ministry	Jason Grantham, Brian Hassenplug, Craig Johnson, Richard Hammonds, Jan Blackwell
Worship Service Coordinators	Byron Boyer, Peter Franco, Eric Minor, Brent Byrd
Young Adults-College to 20 something	Neal Pharr
Youth Ministry 6th to 12th Grade	Kari & Neil Pomeranke

Statistics

August 7, 2022

Sunday School	122
Worship	175
Contribution	\$6,232
Bldg. Fund	\$145,210

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Neal Pharr
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THOSE WHO SERVE

Worship Assignment	August 14	August 21	August 28
Coordinator	Bob Ray	Byron Boyer	Byron Boyer
Greeting & Announcements	John Shackelford	John Shackelford	John Shackelford
Scripture Reading & Opening Prayer	Lee Chatham	Bob Ray	Todd Murphy
Communion & Offering	John Wharton	Bill Collett	Monte Betz
Closing Prayer	Neil Pomerence	Carl House	Bryce Briggs
Nursery	Kris Ray Taylor Ray	Debbie Collett Anita Wharton	Sandy Boyer Charlotte Kent
Coffee Ministry	Wendy McCullough	John Shackelford	Paula Betz
Greeters	Linda Vines Vickie Green	Linda Vines Vickie Green	Linda Vines Vickie Green

¹¹The greatest among you will be your servant. ¹² For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. Matthew 23:11-12