

Northside Church of Christ

“God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”
John 4:24



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Slowing Down the Pace

By Mike Riley

As I observe the speed limit of 60 miles per hour on our I-10 freeway here in El Paso, I also observe other folks who are seemingly obsessed with speed. They swiftly pass my vehicle at speeds that have to be exceeding 75-80 miles per hour.

This “fast” mindset, however, is getting us nowhere (except perhaps an early grave).

In his book entitled, “In Praise of Slowness,” author Carl Honoré tells us that, “The time has come to challenge our obsession with doing everything more quickly — speed is not always the best policy.”

The inspired writer, Peter agrees. He warned that in the last days, people would doubt the Lord, because it seemed to them that He was slow [slack – KJV] in fulfilling His promise to return. However, he points out that this “seeming slowness” [longsuffering] is a good thing, for the Lord’s desire is to allow folks more time to repent (2 Peter 3:9).

As followers of Christ, we must be “slow” to become angry and “slow” to speak (James 1:19). James tells us that our “quickness” should be reserved only for our ears — we’re instructed to be “quick” to listen.

Just think how much trouble we could avoid, if we would just learn to truly “listen” to the person that is speaking to us before we speak — and that’s including God (cf. 1 Samuel 3:9-10).

Brethren and friends, in our rush to meet goals and deadlines this New Year, let us remember to “speed up” our listening and “slow down” our tempers and our tongues (Ephesians 4:26; cf. Psalm 37:8; Proverbs 10:19).

Let’s slow down the pace!

<p>SUNDAY MORNING</p> <p>Triple E Edify, Exhort, Evangelize</p> <p>When Shovels Break 8:30 AM</p>	<p>SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY</p> <p>Thru the Bible in 52 Weeks - Philemon</p> <p>9:30 AM</p>	<p>SUNDAY WORSHIP</p> <p>Worship Service</p> <p>10:30 AM</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY NIGHT</p> <p>Study of the Book of Acts</p> <p>7:00 PM</p>
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“Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”

2 Timothy 2:15

If Christ Were to Come on Wednesday Night

By Mike Riley

The following poem was written by Brother Gus Nichols, faithful preacher of the gospel, now deceased. The questions the poem asks, are still questions we need to ask ourselves today, regarding faithful church attendance:

“Where would I be on Wednesday night,
 If the Lord should suddenly come:
 At church in my place, or out of sight,
 Just having some worldly fun?
 Would I be with the good and true,
 Or at home in my easy chair,
 Too cold to be with the faithful few,
 Who always go to the house of prayer?
 Would I be singing with all my might,
 And studying a lesson of great worth,
 Or away from the church on mid-week night,
 If Christ should come again to earth?
 Would I be seeking strength for my soul,
 And teaching those that are lost,
 Or be rejecting the Savior of souls,
 Who redeemed me at such an awful cost?
 I may be at home with excuses enough,
 But how would they look in His sight?
 Would Jesus find me away from church,
 If He should come on Wednesday night?
 Jesus makes it sin to know and not do –
 Not to help the church in the right,
 Not to be with the church and the few,
 Who faithfully meet on Wednesday night.”

Announcements

- Baby Shower for Auburn Rowell today following worship service. Meal will be pot-luck and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Prayer Requests This Week

- Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments (Maxine Powell)
- All those affected by COVID-19
- Greg Powell (recovering knee surgery)
- Ann Lowe (Keren Thrash mom, stroke)
- Tommy Buchanan (recovering from heart surgery)
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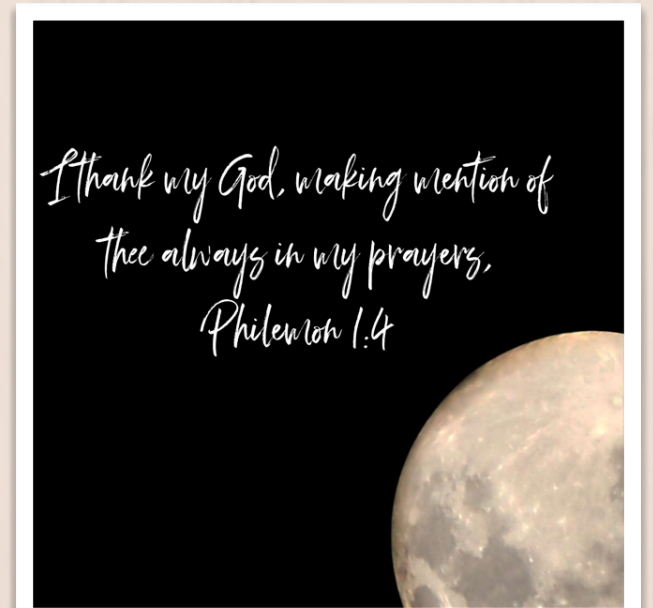
Communion Preparation

- Sign up sheet for 2021 is in foyer
- May - Potts
- June -
- July -

May Birthdays & Anniversary's

- Austin Dudley - 4th
- James Johnson - 19th
- Lauren Wooldridge - 7th
- Anthony Juliano - 30th
- Larry & Connie Montgomery - 20th
- Tristan & Auburn Rowell - 23rd
- Shay & Robbi Cooper - 31st

**Every Sunday Morning
 @ 8:00 AM
 on WTOK-TV**



Sermon Notes

Men to Serve

Announcements/Opening Prayer - Shay Cooper
 Scripture Reading - John 1:1 - 5
 Lead Singing - Chuck Rowell
 Head of Lord's Table - Rick Carlberg
 Assist on Lord's Table - Anthony Juliano
 Scripture Reading - Matthew 26:25 - 29
 Closing Prayer - Larry Montgomery

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