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	My Decision Today
	I am accepting Jesus as my Savior.
	I want to talk to an elder about being baptized.
	I am repenting after wandering away from my commitment to Jesus.
	I want to be a member of Real Life Church.
	I want to serve on a ministry team at Real Life Church.
	Other:

The Message—Notes

THE PRIORITY OF LOVE

"But I have this complaint against you. You don't love Me or each other as you did at first! Look how far you have fallen! Turn back to Me and do the works you did at first. If you don't repent, I will come and remove your lampstand from its place among the churches." ~ Revelation 2:4-5 (NLT)

My summer reading through the New Testament epistles—the letters written to churches in the first century by apostles and church leaders—has brought me to Revelation. We don't always think of Revelation as an epistle. It is technically in the category of prophesy, but it clearly states in the opening verses that it is a letter to the seven churches from John the apostle. Much of Revelation is difficult to read and even more difficult to understand, but there are some things that are straight forward.

As I read these verses, I couldn't help but ask myself if my love for God has changed from what it was "at first." Then I started wondering if our love for each other as a church has changed. I'm not going to share my answers to either of those questions, but I think they are important for each of us to consider. God says he will "remove the lampstand" of the church in Ephesus if they don't repent (change) their lack of genuine love for Him and each other. We can't be sure what the exact meaning of that phrase is, but I think it's self-evident that it's a discipline that we don't want.

So, my personal commitment and my encouragement to each of you is to evaluate the depth and sincerity of our love relationship with God and with other believers. Let's be careful not to love knowledge, or worldly activities, or our homes, or anything else more than we love God. Let's also be careful not to let differences of opinion or social standing interfere with loving each other. In our divided world we hear the message that we can't love someone we disagree with, but Jesus said to "love your enemies."

The good news is that if we've let other things overshadow our relationship with God or others, we CAN change. That's why God said, "IF you don't." Let's not find out the actual meaning of what follows. Instead, let's prioritize love!

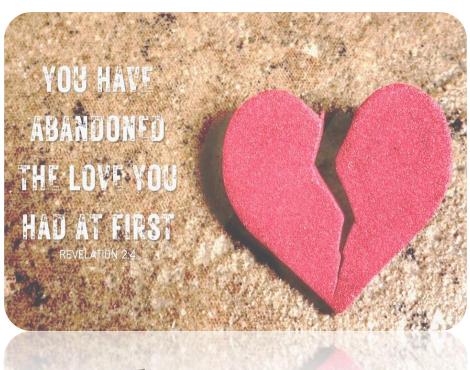
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Welcome to



Real People 🕆 Sharing the Real Jesus 🕆 In the Real World

Everyone is welcome—blue collar and white collar. No matter if you're just passing through or looking for a new church. Whether you're tatted up or pierced; an educator or pipeliner—all are welcome here!



August 25, 2024

Worship Service – 9:30 am

RLC's Sunday service is also available to view on our YouTube channel or Facebook page.

- 1. PRAISE GOD THROUGH SONG
- 2. MEDIA EVENT
- 3. WORSHIP GOD BY GIVING
- 4. SONG OF RESPONSE
- 5. PRAISE GOD THROUGH HIS WORD
- 6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

"The LORD Jesus Christ commands that His church be doctrinally and morally pure.

That was His message to the seven churches in Revelation. Two thousand years later it is STILL His command. Are YOU ready to listen?" — John MacArthur

Weekly Opportunities

WORSHIP (In Person or Live-Streamed)	Sunday 9:30 am
CONNECTION GROUP / KIDZ CLUB STUDIES	Sunday 11:00 am
COED "FIGHT CLUB"—BIBLE STUDY and	
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP	On Hold for 6 Weeks
COMMUNION	First Sunday of Month
FELLOWSHIP MEAL	Last Sunday of Month

Ministers / Elders / Deacons

MINISTERS		All Chur	ch Members
ELDERS	Gary Allen,	Larry Ullom,	Scott Villers
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Real Life Outreach and Events



CHRISTIANS FACING PERSECUTION: THEIR FIRST REQUEST IS FOR PRAYER! WILL YOU PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE WORKERS?

Visit www.persecution.com for more information

2024 OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES.......Month of AUGUST

This year, we have joined the OCC mission with Year-Round Shoebox Shopping! Each month will have a different category of items to buy and bring to RLC. This month we are looking for **SCHOOL SUPPLIES!** Items must fit in shoeboxes.



MONTH OF AUGUST

Shop Back-To-School sales and find bargains on pencils, sharpeners & erasers, pencil cases, pens, rulers, protractors, colored markers and pencils, crayons, note books, ring binders, calculators, index cards, scissors, stickers, glue sticks, tape

CWVCPC BABY BOTTLE SPARE CHANGE DONATIONS......RIGHT NOW

Once again, you have a chance to help the folks at the Central WV Center for Pregnancy Care organization help moms prepare for and care for their newborn infants. You can visit their website at www.cwvcpc.com to see the wonderful things they do and to donate there—or—bring your spare change and put into the baby bottle(s) in the back of the auditorium. Any amount you give will help!!

"REAL CHOICES BASED ON REAL ALTERNATIVES"

Central WW Center for Pregnancy Care Inc.





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My	y Prayer Concerns
	Prayer Request
	Praise Report
	Share with the church
	For elders ONLY, please!