

The Christian Center Newsletter 6-16-24

Speaking to God in His Language

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Over 40 years ago, the church organization that I grew up in gave me an ultimatum; either don't teach the congregation about speaking in tongues or resign. Well you know what I did; I resigned. I was not mad at the people that asked me to resign, because they didn't understand what God had revealed to me. This wonderful gift of speaking in God's heavenly language has caused me to be so blessed. I have revelation on this subject that I want everyone to understand, so I will do my best in this short newsletter to give you a small portion of it.

I think what confuses so many people on the subject of speaking in tongues is the lack of understanding that there are actually two spiritual tongues; one is a prayer language where you speak to God and not to man; the other is a tongue to be interpreted for the whole congregation to understand.

Now let's look at these verses again.

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When we speak to God in our prayer language, we are speaking from our spirit by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit gives our spirit words; we yield our vocal cords to our spirit, then we speak words that we don't even understand. In the natural, we speak from our brain; however when we speak in tongues, we speak directly from our spirit. We bypass our brain. Here is another verse that bears this out.

1 Corinthians 14:14 KJV For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.

You might ask what good it does for you to speak in tongues if you can't understand what you're saying? Well meditate on this - the more you pray in tongues, the more you are praying the perfect prayer. If you want God's goodness to be manifest in your life, pray in tongues; and you will see God do things in your life that could have never happened without you praying the perfect prayer.

I will close on these Scriptures that God wants you to meditate on.

Jude 1:19-20 KJV These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit. [20] But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Acts 19:2-7 KJV He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. [3] And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. [4] Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on Him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. [5] When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. [6] And when Paul had laid

his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. [7] And all the men were about twelve.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday 1Peter 5

Tuesday 2Peter 1

Wednesday 2Peter 2

Thursday 2Peter 3

Friday 1John 1

Saturday 1John 2

Sunday 1John 3

STAY CONNECTED

** Here is the link for The Christian Center app- -
<https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>

** If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

** Singles will be eating after Services at: Sam's Soul Food 2122 W Gore Blvd

** You can give by texting through the TCC app.

** Women's Discipleship: Thursday 5-6pm under balcony

** Children that have been registered should be at Camp Faith at 10am Tuesday. ALL medications, including aspirin, Tylenol, Benadryl... must be in a ziploc bag with their names on it and given to their counselor

** Children are to be picked up from Camp Faith at 10am Friday

** Relationship Class 10am-noon Saturday in Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES at 9:45am

Children — 6 months - 5th grade

Youth — 6th -12th grades

Young Singles/College & Career —ages 18-26 Eliav/Kim Nash

ADULT CLASSES

*Foundation 1 - Pastor Paul

*Healing - Lester/Monica Witherspoon

*Faith - Mike Whitley

*Marriage -Danny/Demetrice Williams

*Foundation 2 - Mike Wiggins

*Prayer - Joe Cunningham

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday 6:15-7:15am

* Women's Dance Aerobics: cancelled this week

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Fri 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

Weekly

** Sunday Services: 9:45 am classes; 10:45am Main Service

** Monday Night Care Group: In Sanctuary under balcony 7pm

** Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm before Services in the Foundation 1 Classroom

** Wednesday Night: Adult and Youth Services 7pm (Youth meet in Youth area)

** Mobile Prayer: Fri 2-3:30pm Hobby Lobby parking lot

** Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Sanctuary under balcony

Monthly

*** Crosses at the Corner: 1st Saturday 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan and Cache Rd.

*** Women's Meeting: 2nd Saturday 9am in Fellowship Hall

*** Women's Discipleship: 3rd Thursday 5pm in Sanctuary

*** Horse Ministry: 3rd Saturday 10am -1pm at Camp Faith

*** Relationship Class: 4th Saturday 10am-12 in Fellowship Hall.
Childcare 4 years old and up