

Effective Evangelism

What is really needed to effectively seek and save lost people? Everybody has an answer. Very few answers seem to actually work. Several years ago I came across a list of perceived needs for effective evangelism which the early church essentially debunked in how they fulfilled the Lord's command to go into all the world and make disciples. Consider this:

- Today we think we need a **good** preacher; the early church had preachers of **mediocre** background.
- Today we think we need a **nice** building in a nice location; the early church had **no** buildings at all.
- We think we need a **good reputation** in town; the early church was **run out** of town (Acts 4 and 17).
- We think we need **successful** men in leadership; the early church had **humble** fishermen, publicans and peasants.
- We think we need a nation at **peace**; the early church had the **harsh** rule of the Roman Caesars.
- We think we need **freedom** of religion; the early church was always being **opposed**.
- We think we need **good weather**; the early church was **unconcerned** with the **weather** (Paul worked even under the threat of shipwreck - Acts 27).
- We think we need the **proper time** of year for evangelism; the early church worked at it **continually** (Acts 20; 2 Timothy 4).
- We think we need **good prospects**; the early church had the **Corinthians, a jailer and Saul of Tarsus**.
- We think we need **everything** convenient; the early church had **no buildings, air conditioning, song books, pew Bibles or baptisteries. But they had been with Jesus and that is what made the difference!**

All the things we think we need today for effective evangelism are okay and would be nice under the most ideal circumstances. But life is seldom ideal. And death will surely come. And Judgment is imminent. As a result, millions of destinies are hanging in the balance waiting for us to get all our ducks in a row, to get everything we think we need.

Truthfully, it is time for us to quit stalling and making excuses, and just get on with the business of talking to our friends about Jesus Christ. If each one would bring one we would double in number this year.

—Jeff Gardner



DCYG Float Trip - July 28-29

The DCYG will embark on their annual Float Trip on the Illinois River, July 28-29. The cost is \$50 per person and the registration deadline is Sunday, July 24. Sign-up sheets area available at the information desk in the lobby or in the youth center or office. Parents or older siblings as chaperones are welcome to attend at same cost. Departure from the church at 5 PM on July 28 and return around 6 PM on July 29. Participants will need: sleeping bag, modest swimsuit, coverup, money for meal on the way back, permission slip and money for the return meal, towels and toiletries.

Gratitude

What would we do without our church family? You have been with us through many year's of life's blessings and great loss, holding us up with your prayers, cards, calls just to check on us and hugs. Tom loved all of you and we want you to know how much we appreciate everything you have done for our family. Please continue to pray for us as we learn to go on without him, but also rejoice that Tom is free of illness for good. May the Lord continue to bless each of you.

Mary Haslam & Family.

Thank you for all the phone calls, visits, thoughts, prayers and cards. We have an awesome God! We love our Del City Church of Christ. Thank you! We feel loved.

Freddie & Marta Walker

Happy Birthday This Week

<i>John Long and A'mia Jackson</i>	<i>July 10</i>
<i>Nona Williams and Refugio Hernandez</i>	<i>July 11</i>
<i>Taylor Madison</i>	<i>July 12</i>
<i>David Martin</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Jaycie Corbeil and Lacey Hughes</i>	<i>July 15</i>
<i>Deonte Jackson and Hayden Haivala</i>	<i>July 16</i>

Sermon Notes

Discriminating Discipleship

James 2:1-13

Discriminating taste is considered a virtue in our society. However, there is a dark side which must be avoided by any disciple of Jesus: when judgment is colored with bias and preconceived ideas toward someone else. James gives three reasons why disciples must not discriminate.

- I. **Discrimination Demonstrates S_____ T_____ (2:2-7).**
 - A. A disciple who shows partiality is void of understanding of P_____ or the mind of C_____.
 - B. Partiality is shallow thinking because:
 1. It D_____ character assessment based on E_____.
 2. It D_____ shallow thinking because it is I_____.
 - C. Every S_____ is P_____ to God.
- II. **Discrimination Demonstrates S_____ L_____ (2:8-11).**
 - A. Discrimination is a direct V_____ of the R_____ law.
 - B. Violating the royal law nullifies A_____ G_____ you may do as a disciple.
 - C. We must love all people as if they are the most I_____ P_____ in the world.
- III. **Discrimination Demonstrates S_____ S_____ - D_____ (2:12-13).**
 - A. Discrimination and partiality C_____ your J_____.
 - B. D_____ discipleship ends up causing spiritual self-D_____.
 - C. Always judge others with the same D_____ of M_____ with which you wish to be judged.

DAY CAMP
at Camp Rock Creek
JULY 18-21
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Daily

Register online through the DCCOC App, website or Facebook page. Questions? Call us at 405-672-1311

Check-in and breakfast at Del City Church of Christ, 1901 Vickie Drive in Del City each morning beginning at 8:00 AM. Vans will depart for Camp Rock Creek in Norman after breakfast, no later than 9 AM. Pick-up back at church at 4:30 PM. Literacy and learning activities provided by Whiz Kids. Sack lunches provided daily by Hal Smith Restaurant Group.

Whiz Kids CITY CARE

Register Now for Day Camp

Students entering Kindergarten - 6th grade are invited to participate in Day Camp, July 18-21. Register through the church app, online on the website or pick up a paper app in the office. Thank you to Whiz Kids and Hal Smith Restaurant Group for their generous sponsorship! Questions? Email Melissa at mphillips@delcitychurch.org or call the office.

Dates To Remember

- July 11-15 DCYG HS Mystery Trip
- July 17 Potluck
- July 18-21 Day Camp at Camp Rock Creek
- July 28-29 DCYG Float Trip
- July 31 5th Sunday Singing, 5 PM
- Aug. 5 Keenagers Game
- Aug. 6 Back to School Bash
- Aug. 10 Picnic in the Park, 6 PM
- Aug. 11-13 National Hispanic Preacher's Conference
- Sept. 24-25 70th Anniversary Celebration

Ministry and Maintenance Statistics

7/3 Worship Attendance	196
7/3 Bible Class Attendance	145
7/3 Contribution	\$22,057.14
YTD Regular Contribution	\$388,266.10
Weekly Average	\$14,380.23
Weekly Budget	\$14,703.58

Church of Christ
Summer of Service

THIS Wednesday!

Garden

Meet at the garden area at 6 PM to assist with beautifying the park and preparing for our weekly giveaway!

Home Projects

Meet at the FLC by 6:00 PM to hear about the different home service projects for this week. If you need a ride, contact Ivan Gonzalez at 405-923-4964. If you are unable to meet at that time and want to participate, contact Meco at (405) 850-1727 for instructions on where to meet the group at a later time.

Visitation

Contact Melvin Thompson at (405) 606-9253 if you are interested in visiting new residents in Del City and sharing the love of Jesus. Everything will be ready by 5:30 in the FLC.

Blankets for Foster Children

Meet in the FLC at 6 PM to help make blankets for foster children.

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Welcome To Our
Sunday Morning
Family Worship
July 10, 2022

Please fill out an attendance card and pass to the aisle for collection at the close of worship. Yellow for our Guests; White for Members.

Order of Worship

Song, *Come Now Is the Time To Worship*Ivan Gonzalez
WelcomeIvan Gonzalez
Song #144, *O Worship The King*Tim Holt
Song #162, *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*Tim Holt
Song, *Had It Not Been The Lord*Tim Holt
Song #790, *Lord Take Control*Tim Holt
PrayerLandon Parker
Scripture Reading, *James 2:1-13*Alex Nichols
Song, *I Love the Lord Messiah*Ivan Gonzalez
Message,Jeff Gardner
Song #552, *Have Thine Own Way*Darrel Sullivan
Song, *Just as I Am - I Come Broken*Ivan Gonzalez
CommunionJames Broadie
Song #781, *Thank You, Lord!*Ivan Gonzalez
Offering.....James Broadie
Closing AnnouncementsJeff Gardner
Prayer.....Melvin Thompson

Schedule of Assemblies

Sunday	
Worship	10:00 AM
Classes	11:15 AM
Wednesday	
Summer of Service	6:00 PM
Thursday	
Singing Class	6:30 PM

Attended Nursery from birth to 2 years is available for Sunday.
For transportation to Worship and other assemblies, call (405) 672-1311 M-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.