

DEL CITY Church of Christ



October 29, 2023

Schedule of Assemblies

Sunday

Worship 10:00 AM
Classes 11:15 AM

Wednesday

Early Class 4:30 PM
Ladies Class 7:00 PM
Mens Class 7:00 PM
Bilingual Class 7:00 PM

Childcare for age newborn to 3-years-old is available during Worship on Sundays & Wednesdays. For transportation to Worship and other assemblies, call (405) 672-1311, M-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.

WORSHIP ORDER

Song, <i>Sing, Amen!</i>	Ivan Gonzalez
Welcome.....	Ivan Gonzalez
Song, <i>Do Lord / I Saw the Light</i>	Ivan Gonzalez
Song #180, <i>Jesus is Lord</i>	Ivan Gonzalez
Prayer	David Schmitt
Song, <i>His Mercy is More</i>	Ivan Gonzalez
Song, <i>Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord</i>	Ivan Gonzalez
Communion.....	Josiah Schmitt
Offering.....	Josiah Schmitt
Scripture Reading, <i>1 John 4:7-6</i>	Dale Walker
Song # 346, <i>He Lives</i>	Ivan Gonzalez
Message, <i>The Real McCoy</i>	Jeff Gardner
Song #800, <i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Darrel Sullivan
Closing Announcements.....	Jeff Gardner
Prayer	Rob Weaver
Song #882, <i>No Tears in Heaven</i>	Ivan Gonzalez

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How to Win Over Satan

What motivates you to stay out of sin? Sin is a slippery slope spread with fresh grease by the devil himself. He wants to defeat you. How can we win against those odds? The apostle John encourages us to *“remain in fellowship with Christ so that when He returns, you will be full of courage and not shrink back from Him in shame”* (1 John 2:28). He goes on to remind us that Christ is righteous and when we do right we are God’s children (1 John 2:29). Then in chapter 3:1-10, he tells us that the way to win over Satan is to remember. He gives us three key points to remember which will help us win over Satan.

Remember your parent (1 John 2:28-3:1). We must remember that our heavenly parent is God Almighty. Don’t forget whose kid you are! God is not some tyrant hiding behind a tree hoping you will fail so He can retaliate. He is a loving parent who just wants His children to be like Him. God is righteous, therefore His desire is for His children to also be righteous. A son tries to imitate his dad. A daughter will want to be like her mother. Children innocently watch our every move so they can imitate. There were many times in my life I made right choices, not because I was good, but because I didn’t want to disappoint my parents. God expects us to do the same. We must never forget that we are His children, therefore we will act accordingly, lest we let Him down.

Remember your purpose (1 John 3:2-6). In these verses, John reminds us that one of our chief purposes as children of God is to be pure, just like God is. You might say it is our family tradition. Family traditions are important. They keep you grounded. They can be a source of fond memories that warm your heart in your lonely moments. In the family of God, our family tradition is to be pure, to abstain from sin as much as we can. We can do this by imitating God and Christ, assembling regularly with other church family members to receive reminders of this purpose, as well as to encourage one another in our daily walk with the Lord, looking up to those who may be a little stronger than we are. Little eight-year-olds go out and hit home runs when they are not usually home run hitters because they have been watching their big brothers or sisters. We are better together.

Remember your practice (1 John 3:7-10). There is a huge difference between the practice of the children of God versus the children of the devil. In these four verses, John gives an easy definition between right and wrong. Our practice is to avoid sin. If we fail in that, then our practice is to repent and NOT to keep on sinning. Once we know the wrong we did, we can choose not to do it again. *“Those who have been born into God’s family do not make a practice of sinning, because God’s life is in them. So they can’t keep on sinning, because they are children of God”* (1 John 3:9). You may occasionally slip off of the straight and narrow path, but if you will remember that is not your normal practice, it will help you get back up onto the right path again.

Remember your parent. Remember your purpose. Remember your practice. This will help you win over Satan’s influence. And when you meet Jesus face to face, you can be confident and unashamed.

SERMON NOTES

Eyewitness Good News: The Real McCoy 1 John 4:1-6

“The real McCoy” is a colloquial Americana phrase from the 1930s that means something is authentic and not bogus. How can you tell when you have “the real McCoy” religiously? Distinctly different religious voices are all claiming, “I am the voice of God.” It’s confusion instead of clarity. Who and what can we even believe? So John reveals three actions we must take in order to discern “the real McCoy.”

I. **A _____ the P _____ of Error (1 John 4:1).**

- A. The litmus test for whether or not a message is from God is to compare it to the W _____ W _____ of God.
- B. When we examine the Scriptures, we are testing the M _____ and the M _____.
- C. If you don’t acknowledge the possibility of error, you will fall for every S _____ S _____ philosophy.

II. **A _____ the P _____ of Christ (1 John 4:2-3).**

- A. The coming of Jesus in the flesh to redeem us should be central in our M _____ to the M _____.
- B. Jesus Christ died for you in the F _____ so you could live with Him E _____.
- C. To deny the humanity of Christ is to deny the source of our B _____ to A _____ God (Hebrews 4:14-16).

III. **A _____ the P _____ of God’s Spirit (1 John 4:4-6).**

- A. With Holy Spirit we have a two-edged sword: 1) Holy Spirit in your B _____ and 2) Holy Spirit in your B _____ (Hebrews 4:12).
- B. The One Who lives in Y _____ is greater than the one who lives in the W _____.
- C. Follow Holy Spirit’s L _____ and T _____ relentlessly.



Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the aisle.

EN ESPAÑOL

- **NOTAS DEL SERMON** - "El verdadero McCoy" es una frase coloquial estadounidense de la década de 1930 que significa que algo es auténtico y no falso. ¿Cómo puedes saber cuándo tienes religiosamente al "verdadero McCoy"? Voces religiosas claramente diferentes afirman: "Yo soy la voz de Dios". Es más confusión que claridad. ¿A quién y qué podemos siquiera creer? Entonces Juan revela tres acciones que debemos tomar para discernir "al verdadero McCoy".
- **AGRADECIMIENTO** - Agradezco grandemente a todos mis hermanos por la ayuda que se nos proporcionó a mi familia y a mi. Agradezco principalmente por sus oraciones con motivo de el fallecimiento de mi señor padre Abelino Benitez. 1 Corinthians 1:4; 15:57. Gracias, Victor Manuel Benitez

GET CONNECTED

- Everyone is invited to come to **Wellington Parke** on the first Sunday of each month and sing with the residents. Contact Lee Camacho or Aaron Rhodes for more information.
- **Desserts Needed** - Hey MEN - we need some guys to make and bring desserts for the Women's Conference, Nov. 17-18th. If you can help - please contact Justin Parker. Let's spoil our ladies!
- Ladies, there are still 19 spots available to attend **Women of Joy** in Branson, April 5-7, 2024. Total cost will be \$219. To save your spot, pick up a registration form at Connection Point and submit to the office with a downpayment of \$50 by December 14th. Spots will be reserved on a first-come, first-pay basis. Total payment is due by March 8th. This is a popular event that fills up each year so don't delay in making your reservation! Questions? Contact the office, 405-672-1311.

CELEBRATION SUNDAY DECEMBER 10TH



Invite a friend to join us as we welcome our new ministers to Del City with a
CELEBRATION SUNDAY SERVICE
After Worship, there will be a Fellowship Luncheon for All in the Church Gym.

There will be no Bible Classes on this Sunday.

MINISTRY AND MAINTENANCE STATISTICS

10/22 Worship Attendance	240
10/22 Bible Class Attendance	174
10/22 Contribution	\$8,913.53
YTD Regular Contribution.....	\$686,033.80
Weekly Average	\$16,334.14
Weekly Budget.....	\$14,866.74

FEATURED EVENTS

TRUNK OR TREAT

OCTOBER 31ST
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM



Candy donations still needed!!! We also need volunteers to decorate their trunks and pass out candy. Contact Hannah Parker if you can help!

SMILE. JESUS LOVES YOU!

CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS



Please bring your family for a FREE family photo.

This photo will be used in our 2024 *Membership Directory* and provided to you digitally. If you are happy with your current directory photo, no need to retake!

If you prefer to submit a family photo, please email to abruce@delcitychurch.org by Dec. 15th.

Questions? Contact Amy Bruce at 405-205-4855.

**Before & After Worship in the
Main Building Lobby**

Sundays in November
Nov. 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

OR

**Wednesdays & Fridays
By Appt Only at Church Building
Between 9 AM - 5 PM**

Contact Amy to Schedule: 405-205-4855

It's time for another Church Directory update! We will be taking pics every Sunday in November or by appointment only on Wednesdays and Fridays during business hours. Contact Amy Bruce with questions.

**WALKING BY FAITH
'EMPOWERED'
TO BE MORE THAN WE CAN IMAGINE**

**A weekend with friends,
fellowship, and God's Word**

Nov. 17th - 18th

Friday 11/17 - 5 PM - 9 PM
Saturday 11/18 - 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Register & Get More Info Here



2023
**WOMEN'S
CONFERENCE**

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FAMILY UPDATES

BIRTHDAYS

Dale Walker | Oct. 30

Betty Kolar | Nov. 1

Walter Robb | Nov. 1

Meco Robinson | Nov. 2

Aaron Zamudio - Abma | Nov. 2

Jim Pitman | Nov. 2

Tim McDonald | Nov. 2

Tim LaValley | Nov. 3

Cindy Harpole | Nov. 4

THANK YOU

I greatly appreciate you, my church family, for the help you provided to my family and me. I am mainly grateful for your prayers during the loss of my father, Abelino Benitez. 1 Corinthians 1:4; 15:57.

Thank you ~ Victor Manuel Benitez

ADDRESS UPDATE

Please update your directory!

Linda Hughes, 2055 Camelot Drive, Midwest City, OK 73130

UPCOMING DATES

- **TODAY** Staats Bridal Shower, Coffee Shop, 2 PM
- **Oct. 31** Trunk or Treat, 6 PM - 7:30 PM (Volunteer at Connection Point)
- **Nov. 3** Keenager's Game Night, 6 PM, FLC
- **Nov. 5** Singing with Wellington Parke Residents, 2 PM
- **Nov. 17-18** Women's Conference
- **Nov. 19** Third Sunday Potluck after Services, FLC
- **Nov. 23-24** Church Office Closed, Thanksgiving Break
- **Dec. 3** Jeff Gardner Retirement Luncheon after Bible Classes
- **Dec. 3** Singing with Wellington Parke Residents, 2 PM
- **Dec. 4** Westview Boy's Home Truck
- **Dec. 10** Celebration Sunday & Fellowship Luncheon
- **Dec. 13** Children's Christmas Party
- **Dec. 15 - 17** Young Adult Winter Retreat
- **Dec. 17** DCYG Christmas Party
- **Dec. 20** Cocoa and Carols
- **Dec. 22-25** Church Office Closed, Christmas Break
- **Jan. 12-14** DCYG Winterfest, Fort Worth, TX (App & \$120 Payment due

BEDLAM CAN DRIVE SHOWDOWN

Oct. 1 - Nov. 4

